# SAINT XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL SANGALLI CENTER

## **Project Location:**

Louisville, Kentucky

### **Project Owner:** Saint Xavier High School

## **Project Category:** LEARN - K-12

## **Project Type:** Addition/Renovation

**Specific Use of Building:** High School

# Building Area: (s.f.)

9,897 Addition 17,356 Renovation

# Date of Completion:

August 9, 2021

## **Program Summary:**

Connect the 40-year-old media center to the main school Renovate the media center to support 21st century learning with additional classrooms and a Learning Differences Center Eliminate safety concerns with students leaving buildings during the day Resolve existing accessibility limitations

# Program Statement:

The city's most historic Catholic high school sought to add classroom space and renovate their 40-year-old, standalone media center. Through extensive refinement, an ambitious program emerged to connect the two buildings, eliminating exterior circulation and creating a vibrant student destination at the heart of campus. The daylit learning commons serves as a media center breakout area, adaptable learning space, and venue for extracurricular meetings and events. Existing and new overlap to create a composition that highlights new technology like a large, interactive media wall, as well as form a composition that highlights elements of the existing building, campus, and institution's legacy, like the decades old cross salvaged from the previous school building.

Through a carefully planned composition of renovations, the previously introverted media center was transformed into a more acoustically controlled, flexible, and inviting learning space. A new, centrally located service point opens space for a technology enabled interactive learning hub, while former resource rooms were transformed into a vibrant collection of adaptable group study areas. Three windowless classrooms at the building's most prominent corner were consolidated and opened to the exterior to provide daylight and views for a new academic resource center.

Respecting heritage while incorporating modern design was the goal throughout. Infusing a lime and orange abstract X concept into their traditional green and gold St. X logo, the contrast of old and new was continued inside. Keeping the existing brick building exposed but with a new mural, and leaving the existing wood soffit in the media center started the foundation for the interior design. Bright, clean, and durable finishes were used throughout for flexible and practical spaces that form a new brand for St. X. A variety of mobile, ergonomic furniture enabled pedagogical diversity, convenient adaptability, and individual comfort for user-centered design.





CONNECTING STUDENTS

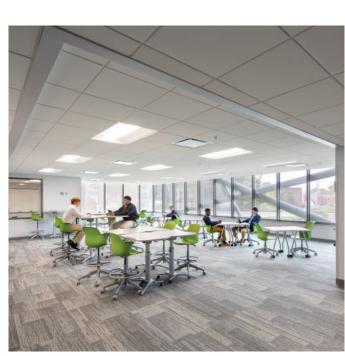
BRANDING MURAL



ACCESS TO DAYLIGHT



SOCIAL STAIR DETAIL



ADAPTIVE LEARNING

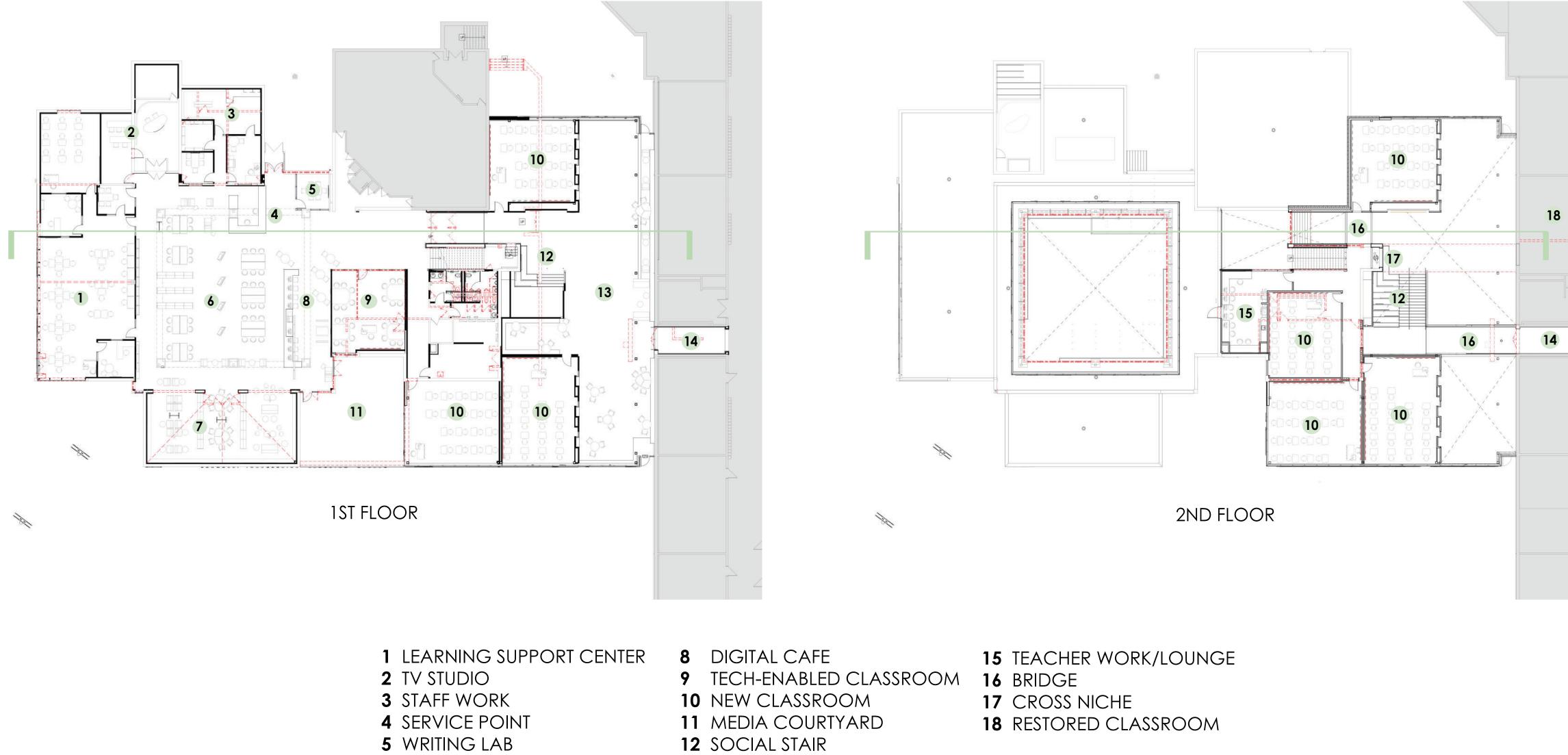




## SITE AERIAL VIEW | NEW FIRST IMPRESSION

LEGEND: (R) RENOVATED, (N) NEW

- 1 VISITOR ENTRANCE DRIVE AND NEW COURTYARD (R)
- 2 CONSOLIDATED VISITOR PARKING (N)
- 3 LEARNING SUPPORT CENTER (R)
- 4 MEDIA CENTER READING ROOM (R)
- 5 COLLABORATIVE STUDY (R)
- 6 MEDIA COURTYARD (R)
- 7 NEW CLASSROOMS (R & N)
- 8 COMMONS (N)



- 6 COLLECTION & READING
- 7 COLLABORATIVE STUDY

- 14 SCHOOL CONNECTOR



### **FLOOR PLANS**

- 13 COMMONS
  - EXISTING DEMOLISHED
    - NEW





- 1 RESTORED CLASSROOM
- 2 BRIDGE
- 3 COMMONS
- 4 TV STUDIO
- 5 SOCIAL STAIR
- 6 CROSS NICHE

## **BUILDING SECTION PERSPECTIVE**

- OM 7 TEACHER WORK/LOUNGE
  - 8 TECH-ENABLED CLASSROOM
  - 9 DIGITAL CAFE
  - **10** COLLECTION & READING
  - **11** SERVICE POINT
  - **12** LEARNING SUPPORT CENTER

