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Community Tectonics continues unprecedented streak of TSBA school design awards; wins major honors for schools in East and Middle Tennessee

November 17, 2004 – Knox County-based Community Tectonics Architects continued its unprecedented streak of capturing Tennessee School Boards Association school design awards, winning two gold medals and one bronze medal at the TSBA 2004 meeting this week in Nashville.

Community Tectonics was the state's only architectural firm to win awards in the primary, middle and high school categories. Community Tectonics has garnered 13 major design awards in the last four years.

The three schools cited in the TSBA 2004 judging were Sweetwater Primary School, West Middle School in Tullahoma and Chuckey Doak High School in Greene County.

“School design is one of our firm's specialties, and what makes us most proud is what these awards mean for faculty, students and parents of each of these schools,” said Don Shell, president of Community Tectonics Architects.

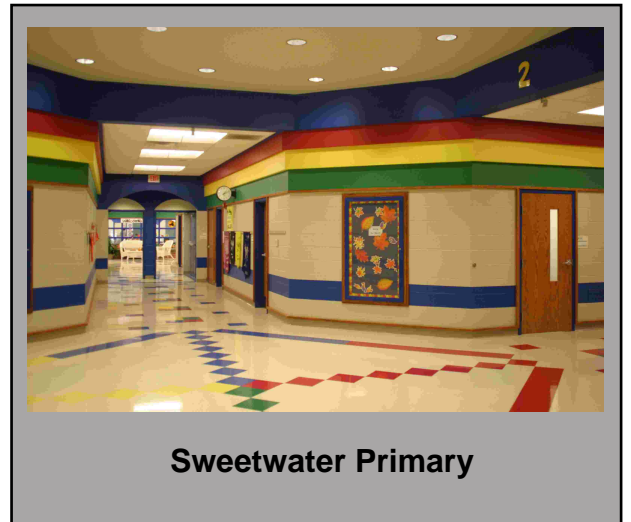
The \$7.2 million, 79,000 square-foot Sweetwater Primary School opened in the fall of 2003 with a 660-student capacity for kindergarten through second grade.

“We are very pleased with our experience with Community Tectonics,” said Dr. Keith Hickey, director of Sweetwater City Schools. “They have earned their reputation through their work, and their work justifies their reputation. They understand the personal touch as they create the professional product.”

Tullahoma's \$8.1 million, 83,000 square-foot West Middle School, completed in the summer of 2004, was built to serve 550 students in grades six through eight.

“It was a delightful experience to sit down with Community Tectonics and work as a team to design an aesthetically pleasing facility that not only will fulfill the needs of our students today, but will serve our community for many years to come” said Mike Landis, Principal for West Middle School, Tullahoma.

Greene County's Chucky-Doak High School accommodates 750 students. The 131,000 square-foot structure's capacity can be expanded to 1,000 students. The \$12.3 million project was completed in 2004.



“Community Tectonics has touched the lives of all our students by creating positive learning environments in our schools,” said Lena Ensor, member of the Greene County Board of Education.

The two East Tennessee schools designed by Community Tectonics were built by Knox County-based Construction Plus, Inc., in a “partnering” arrangement between the two firms that increases communication throughout the process, Shell said.

Community Tectonics Architects has designed more than 600 schools. The firm has created master plans for 18 Tennessee school systems, more than any other architectural firm.

Community Tectonics Architects has offices in Nashville and Knoxville. Its staff includes architects, engineers, planners, and interior and graphics designers.



Chuckey-Doak High School