This $41.5M addition at Brentwood Middle School opened in 2019 as a 72,000sf, 4-story building built into the hillside featuring classrooms, science labs, faculty offices, library, cafeteria, commercial kitchen, student patios, and an artificial turf soccer field. Included is a multi-use Black Box theater, choral/instrument rehearsal room (featuring variable acoustics), music practice rooms, a film editing suite, a drama rehearsal room, and dance rehearsal room. This building represents the first of many phases in a 30-year educational and master plan aimed at improving student experiences, as well as improving neighbor relationships.

The theater provides 286 seats on a retractable riser system, an array of compound-curved overhead reflectors for enhanced speech intelligibility and sound distribution, slatted side-walls with absorption behind select portions, and a wood upstage wall with acoustical shaping and incorporated acoustical “kicker” shelves.

From a faculty review of the first student performance in November, 2019 ...

“... the audience was wowed by stage lighting that transported us to an eerie autumn night... and strong acoustics that allowed the students to project their voices to the back of the house.”

MCH provided full-scope acoustical consulting.

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