



ULI Washington

# 2020 Trends Awards Winners

Excellence in Institutional  
Development

## PROJECT TEAM

**Developer and Owner:** DC Department of General Services

**Architects and Designers:** Quinn Evans, Cox Graae and Spack, Lance Bailey Associates, Hord Coplan Macht, R. McGhee and Associates, Architecture Inc, Perkins Eastman DC, Moody Nolan, DLR Group, Perkins + Will and Bowie Gridley

**Construction Contractors:** Gilbane Building Company, GCS / Sigal, MCN Build Construction, Turner Construction, Smoot and Hess Construction.

## DC Department of General Services 21st Century Schools Modernization Program

The DC Department of General Services (DGS) has created a successful program to renovate each of the city's public schools. The \$3.2 billion program, funded by City bonds, renovated or replaced schools across all 8 wards. This achievement required a major shift in the way DC Public Schools (DCPS) and DGS managed their real estate. The modernization program established uniform design standards based on the latest research about how K-12 facilities could enhance teaching and learning. The standards incorporated modern educational technologies and prioritized healthy and sustainable designs with the goal of LEED Gold certification. Teachers feel more supported, students have higher test scores, energy costs are down, and neighbors report a stronger sense of community. Combined with curricular and personnel management reforms, modernization has increased confidence in DCPS resulting in increased enrollment.



## 2020 Trends Awards Program

The ULI Washington Trends Awards reflect ULI's mission of providing leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating and sustaining thriving communities. The ULI Washington Trends Awards showcase private, public and nonprofit projects that embody the most innovative and creative thinking in real estate development in the Washington regional market. ULI Awards recognize all development aspects of a project: financing, design, project execution and market acceptance.