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Elmore City-Pernell High School Common Room

# A Small Town's Big Transformation

In the heart of Elmore City, Oklahoma, a town of just 738 tight-knit residents and the inspiration behind the 1984 classic *Footloose*, another transformation is underway. After nearly a century of serving its community in a building dating back to the 1930s, the local high school got a much-needed upgrade. For Sheila Riddle, Superintendent of the Elmore City-Pernell School District, this project was personal. She went to high school in the original building and wanted to honor the community while providing a better facility for its students.

Elmore City-Pernell High School sits on highway as you enter town. Its position intentionally creates a focal point, with a beautifully lit common area greeting locals and visitors. For this centerpiece of the school, Ms. Riddle worked closely with Jill and Eric Bauman of Merrifield Office & School Supply to create a space that was comfortable, functional, and inspiring.

The challenge lay in determining how the common area would be used. Would students be eating there? Meeting? Studying? Socializing? Holding debate and ag tournaments? The answer was: all of the above. Ms. Riddle wanted to foster collaboration and build

a social community inside and outside the school doors. "We didn't want the common area to look like a classroom. The kids needed a space where they could relax, study, or connect with friends," explained Ms. Riddle.

The Bauman's were asked to outfit the multi-use space with flexible, adaptable furniture in welcoming, vibrant fabrics and laminates. "We wanted to work with a manufacturer that has a design team to help us specify the most durable materials, look at warranties, and find the best furniture solutions," Ms. Bauman explained. MooreCo provided the expertise and high-quality products they were seeking and presented a powerful tool: a detailed rendering of the common area.

"MooreCo's rendering was a phenomenal selling point," Mr. Bauman recalled. "Right away you could see what the final space was going to look like, complete with the fabrics and vinyl the superintendent chose on the actual furniture. The rendering looks nearly identical to the photos. It's pretty amazing."

Agile, adaptable MooreCo furniture fills the space, giving students freedom to create a variety of environments to fit their needs. [Hierarchy Activity](#)

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[Tables](#) on casters and custom tables with glides in different heights and tabletop shapes can be quickly arranged to create collaborative work zones, community lunch tables, or meeting spaces. [Hierarchy 4-Leg Stools and Chairs](#) provide comfortable seating that can be quickly rearranged or even stacked.

Clusters of durable, modular soft seating provide a flexible and inviting space for students to relax, collaborate, and learn. [Wedge Soft Seating Chairs](#) and [Wedge Benches](#) pair with [Blossom Tabletop Ottomans](#) and [Pouf Stools](#) to create a dynamic focal point that can be easily reconfigured. Lovesats and square tables create intimate group work areas or provide a quiet place for a sensory break. [Orbit® Wedge Chairs](#) with a back shelf create a meeting or presentation zone. [Creator Rectangle Benches](#) circle a [MoorePower® Tower](#) for a quick power break and can be pulled apart for solo work, resulting in a dynamic and technologically-rich learning environment. Students can customize the arrangement to suit their individual needs and preferences, fostering a sense of ownership and comfort within the common area.

The inclusion of wheelchair accessible tables, standing tables, and different types of seating ensures that all students, regardless of their abilities or needs, can comfortably participate in activities and enjoy the space. MooreCo products offer features such

as adjustable heights and wheelchair accessibility to promote inclusivity and to create a welcoming environment for all students. "No matter what type of student, there is a space here they are going to be drawn to," said Ms. Bauman.

The space quickly became a point of pride for the entire community. For the tight-knit residents with a history of embracing change for the betterment of their community, the finished space is a resounding success. "The MooreCo products fit perfectly into our vision. They allow us the freedom to go a lot of different directions," said Ms. Riddle. Most importantly, the durability and longevity of MooreCo furniture, ensures the space will continue to serve the community for years to come.

The Elmore City-Pernell High School common room is a testament to the power of community and the vision of dedicated leaders. By providing students with the freedom to shape their learning environment, they are empowered to take ownership of their education. This vibrant space, equipped with flexible furniture and a focus on student needs, is more than just a room – it's a hub for collaboration, connection, inspiration, and maybe a little dancing. ■

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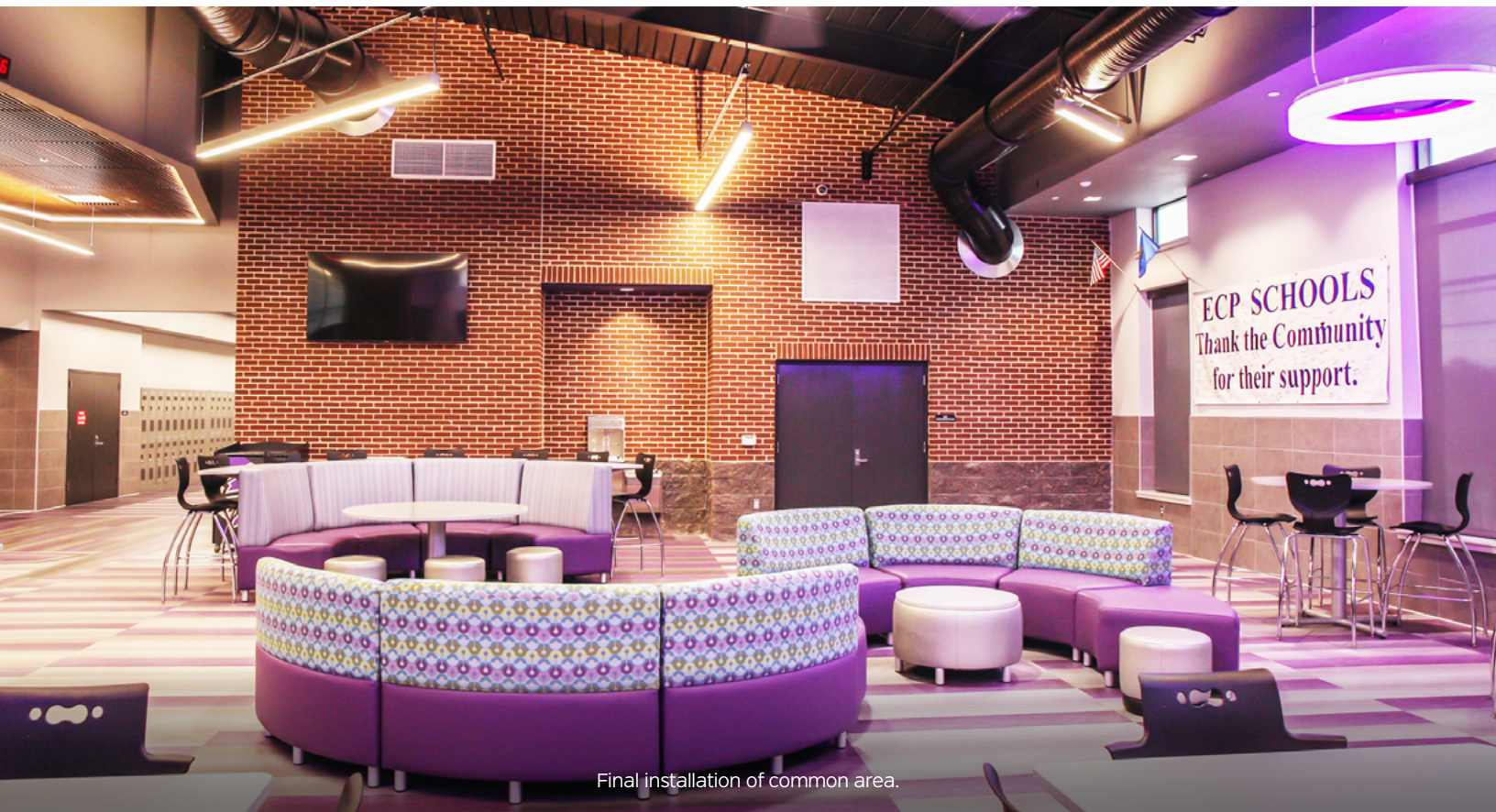
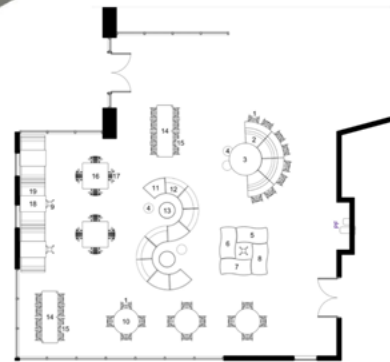
Rendering of presentation and meeting zone.



Final installation of presentation and meeting zone.



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Final installation of common area.



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Rendering of modular soft seating.



Final installation of modular soft seating.



Rendering of gathering area with MoorePower® Tower.



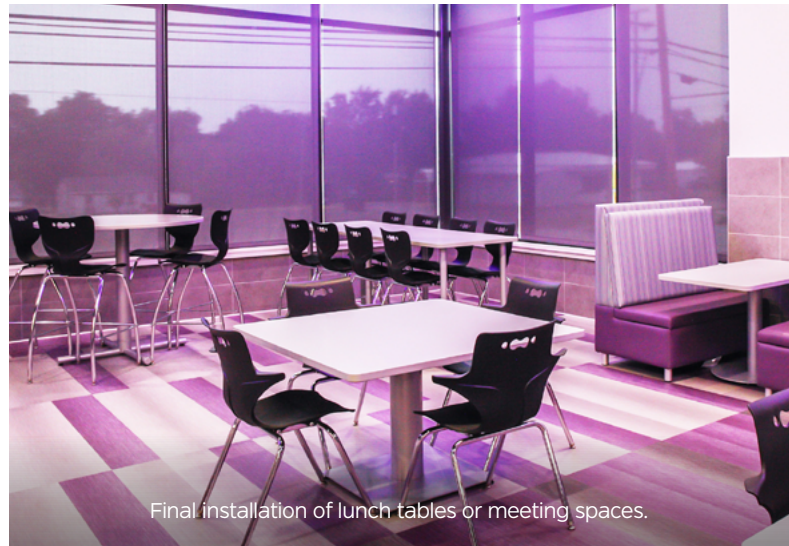
Final installation of gathering area.



## Elmore City-Pernell High School: A Small Town's Big Transformation



Rendering of lunch tables or meeting spaces.



Final installation of lunch tables or meeting spaces.



Final installation of common area.



Final installation of presentation or meeting zone.



Final installation of modular soft seating.

