

MILLARD WEST HIGH SCHOOL



Millard West High School is a state-of-the-art facility located in Millard, Nebraska, a suburb of Omaha, and includes a 400 seat Auditorium, a Black Box Theater, a large Gymnasium, and a Natatorium.

With a design geared towards a “working and learning” environment, the Auditorium has a walkable tension grid over the entire stage, which provides access to lighting and a large Control Room. The Control Room serves as a classroom where student may learn about lighting and sound system operation. Audio coverage is provided to the majority of the Auditorium by a large loudspeaker cluster located above the tension grid, which also provides access to the cluster components. The Auditorium features a sound system operating location at the middle cross aisle.

The Gymnasium and Natatorium also have sound reinforcement systems, which allow play-by-play announcing of basketball games and swim meets, as well as playback of pre-recorded music for half-time entertainment and synchronized swimming. The Natatorium includes underwater loudspeakers allowing students to hear instruction and music while they are beneath the surface.



- Client:** RDG Schutte Wilscam
Birge Architects;
Omaha, NE
- Facilities:** Auditorium, Gymnasium,
Theater and Natatorium
- Designer:** Robert G. Ledo
- Completed:** 1996