



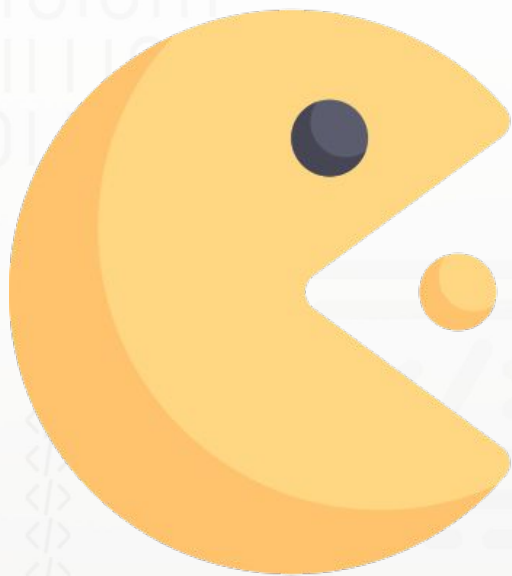
# BREAKING DOWN WALLS

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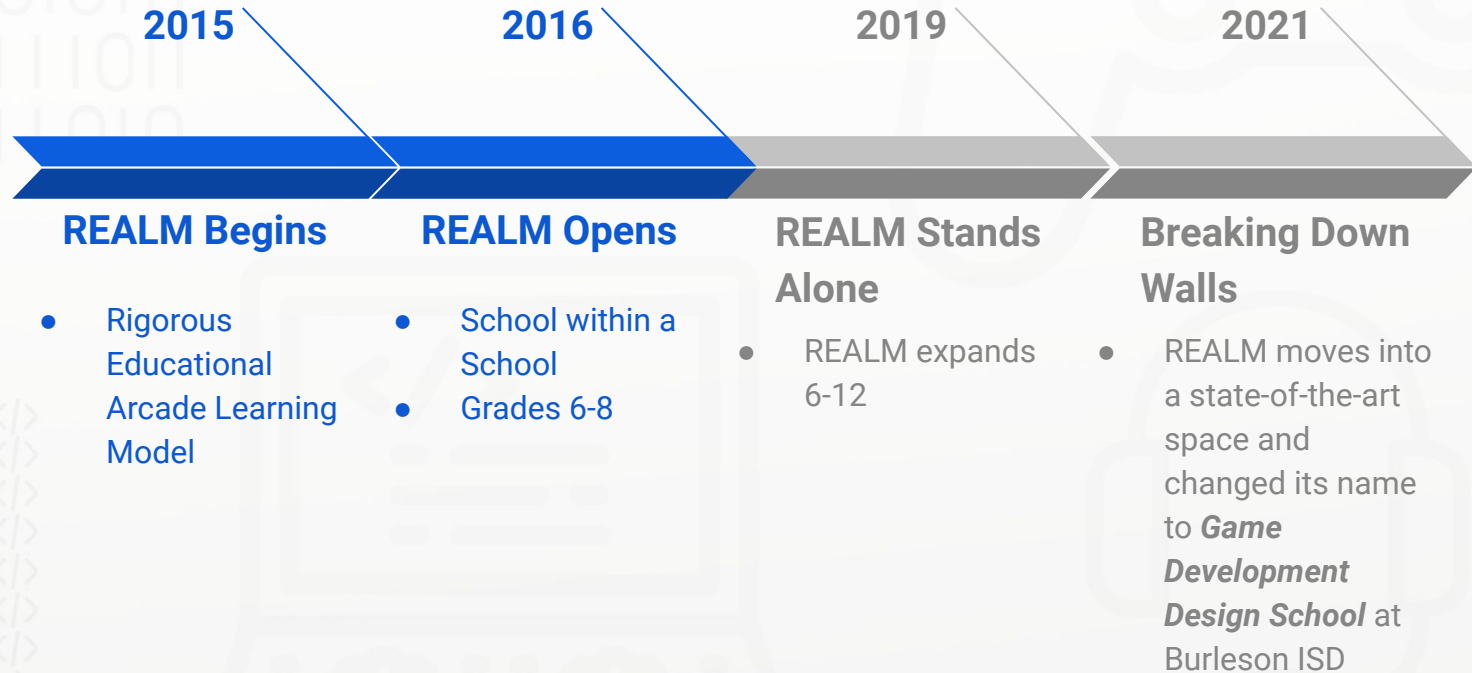
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## **Level 1**

**Let's start with  
fundamentals.**

**Find how a video game  
programming school  
engages an unreachable  
segment of the student  
population.**



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# Mission & Vision

## **VISION:**

GDDS exists to promote academic and social-emotional growth, in a technology-infused world, by challenging and changing the status quo through a blended learning model.

## **MISSION:**

GDDS equips all learners to become well-rounded, critical thinkers of tomorrow and multifaceted leaders of an ever-evolving technological society.

# Student Profile

- Motivated by a different way of learning
- Thrives on trial and error
- Appreciates and engages in immediate feedback
- Social when highly engaged
- Wants to be with others with similar interests

# The Stats

## The incoming 6th graders:

- 11% Gifted & Talented
- 26% Economically Disadvantaged
- 3% Learning English Proficient
- 30% Special Ed or 504
- Historically outscore other campuses on state assessments by around 10%

# The Stats

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## Incoming 9th grade students:

- 19% Gifted & Talented
- 27% Economically Disadvantaged
- 14% Special Ed
- 22% 504
- 3% Limited English Proficient



**Student Perspective**



## **Level 2**

**Learn how blended and self-paced learning can be successfully integrated through professional development and systematic processes.**

# How We Learn

- In the beginning
  - Self-paced
  - Game-design approach
- Current -
  - Modern Classrooms Project
  - Game Development and Design Approach to Curriculum

# Teacher Profile

- Energetic
- “Out of the box”
- Modern Classrooms approach
- Loves our students

# Long Term Goals



- Elementary to High School
- Certifications
- Partnerships



## **Level 3**

**To complete the game, you will learn about the critical importance of designing the physical environment to reinforce the unique vision of the school and support the instructional method.**



**eSports**





## NEW LOCATION – VENUE 510



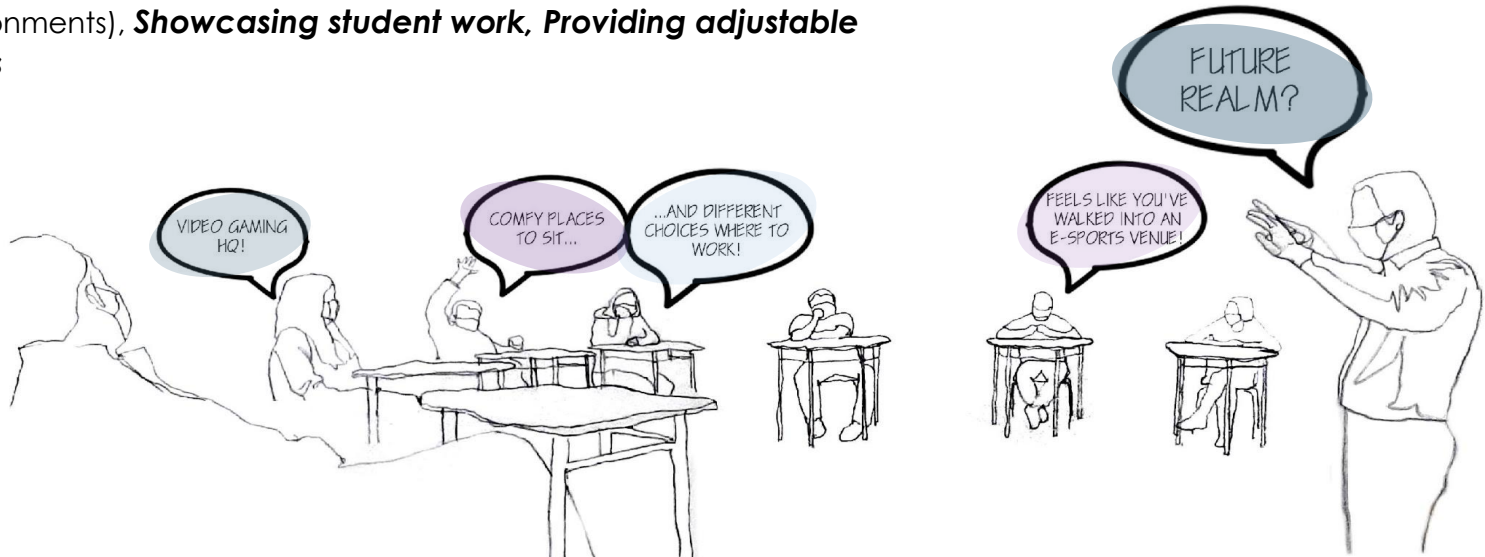






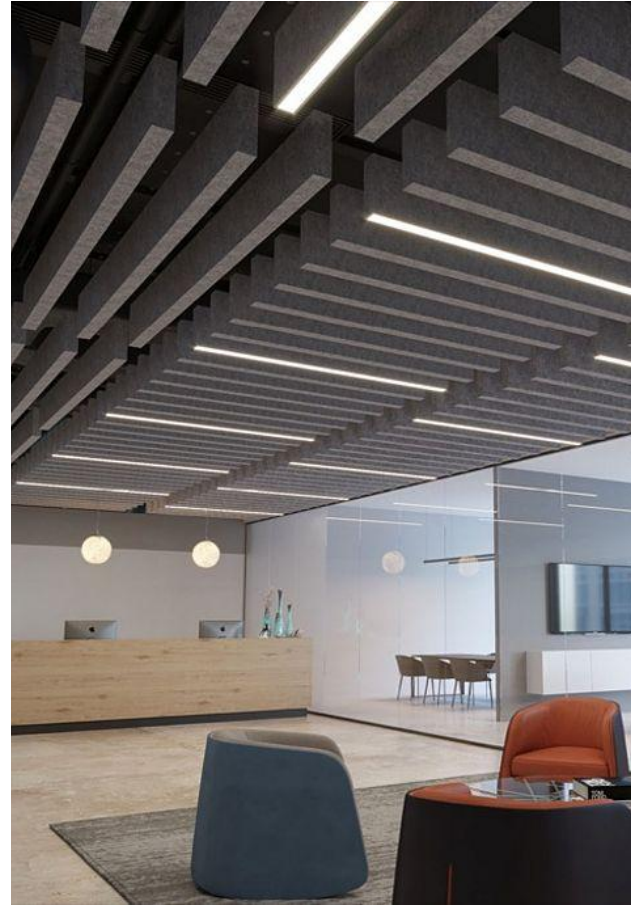
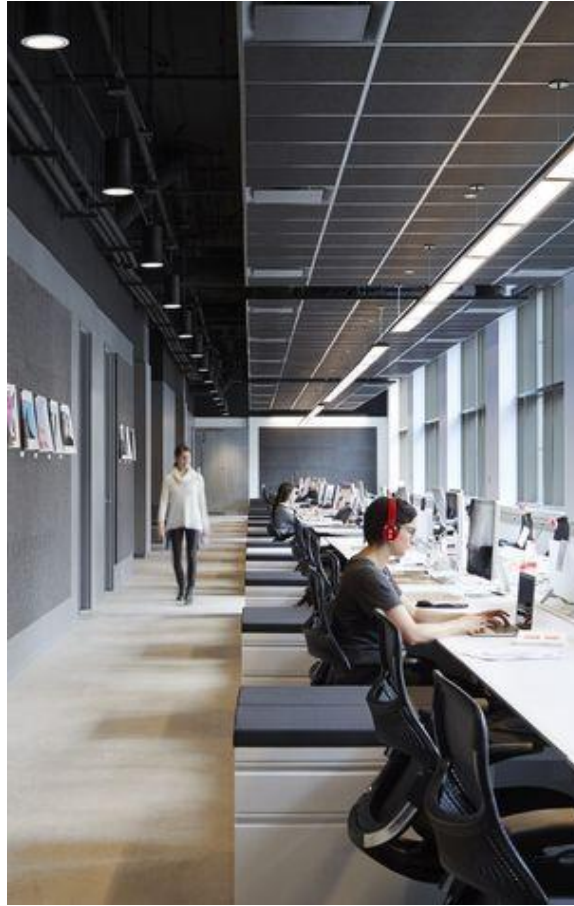
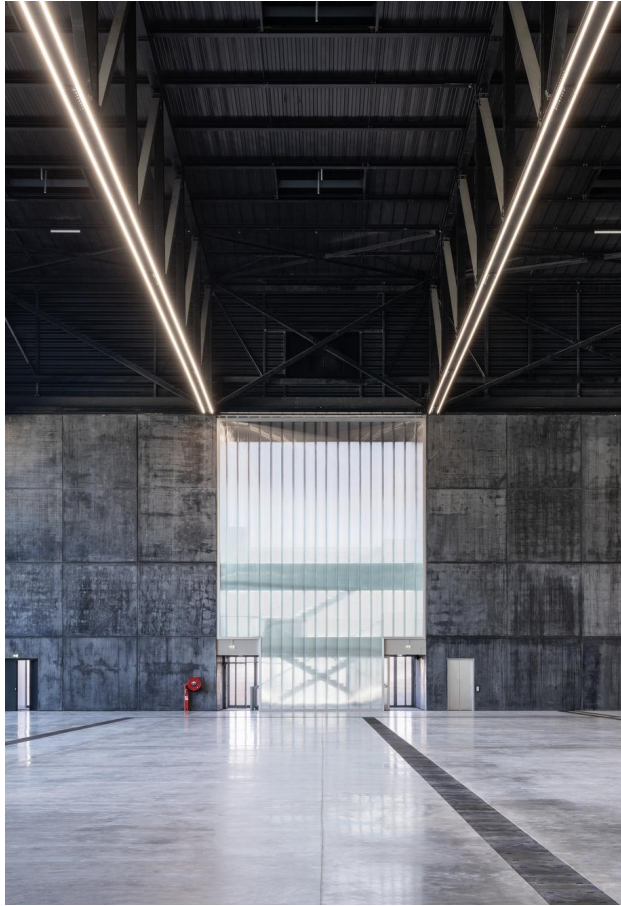
## DESIGN PROCESS: BISD Leadership, GDDS Staff & GDDS Students

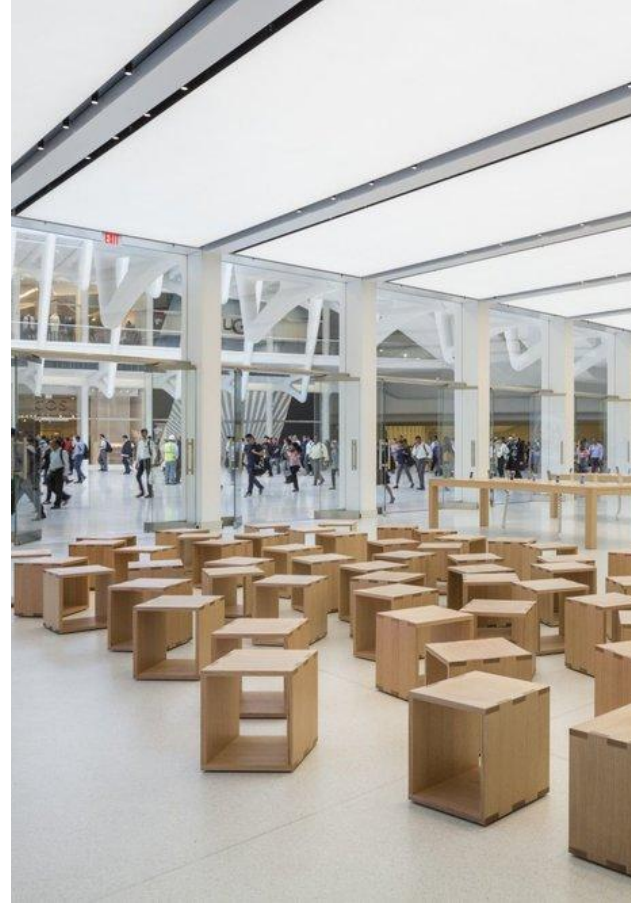
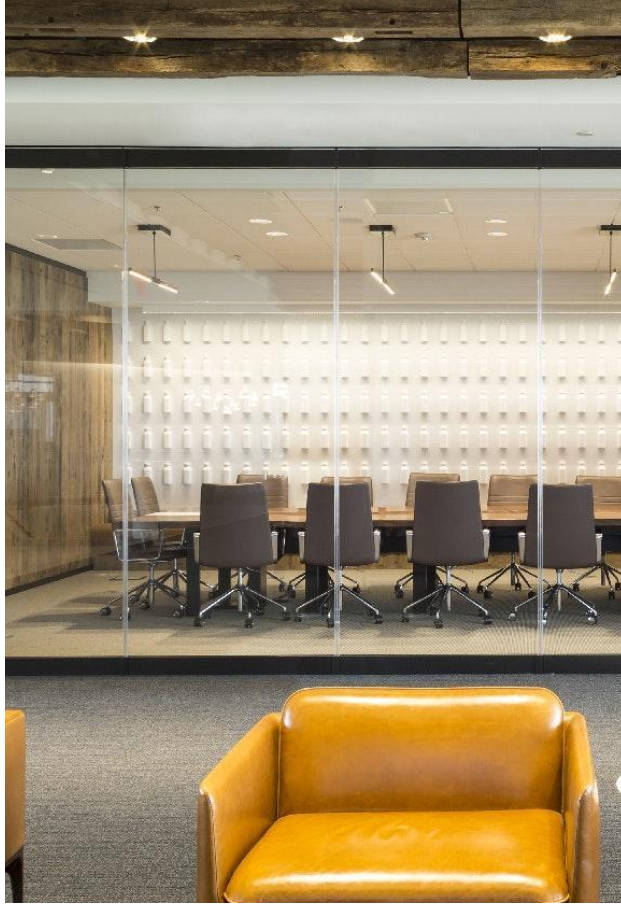
- GDDS looks like :**Warehouse/Industrial, Simple, Edgy, Vibrant** (but not too colorful)
- GDDS feels like: **Inviting, Open** (intentional), **Collaborative & Inclusive, Comfortable** (setting and sitting choices), **Upbeat**
- GDDS branding is about: **Creating a 'Real' Gaming Academy, Coding, E-Sports, Promoting a different way of teaching-learning and thinking,**
- GDDS supports our needs by: **Accommodating 600 students, Providing flexible spaces & furniture** (independent vs group work; quiet vs active learning environments), **Showcasing student work, Providing adjustable lighting levels**



## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

FUNCTION	FORM	ECONOMY	TIME
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• supports <b>students owning their learning</b> and being responsible for managing their schedule.</li><li>• provides <b>choices</b> to every student of where they will perform their work <b>based on</b> their <b>individual learning styles</b>.</li><li>• <b>allows students to</b> feel at ease working and <b>interacting freely</b> within a protected environment.</li><li>• affords students <b>immediate access to teachers</b> throughout all learning spaces.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• places student <b>learning on display</b>.</li><li>• <b>emulates the professional environments</b> of the careers to which their education will likely lead them.</li><li>• <b>provides students choices</b> in furnishings for working alone and for varied group sizes.</li><li>• is dynamic to <b>promote flexibility</b> in use and purpose.</li><li>• <b>engages the senses, raises the spirit, and inspires the mind</b>.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• will accommodate <b>450 middle schoolers and 150 high school students</b>.</li><li>• is able to be phased to meet the <b>immediate needs of 400</b> students yet grow to serve <b>600 in the future</b>.</li><li>• will <b>provide a variety of media options</b> for students to develop and showcase work.</li><li>• can be realized within a conservative cost approach.</li><li>• shall be constructed with materials that are <b>cost effective</b> for the intended life of the program.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• shall be <b>constructed</b> to support its intended purpose <b>for the next twenty years</b>.</li><li>• <b>must accommodate the project schedule</b> that has already been defined.</li><li>• will provide food service to all students in <b>(2) 50-60 minute lunch periods</b>.</li></ul>

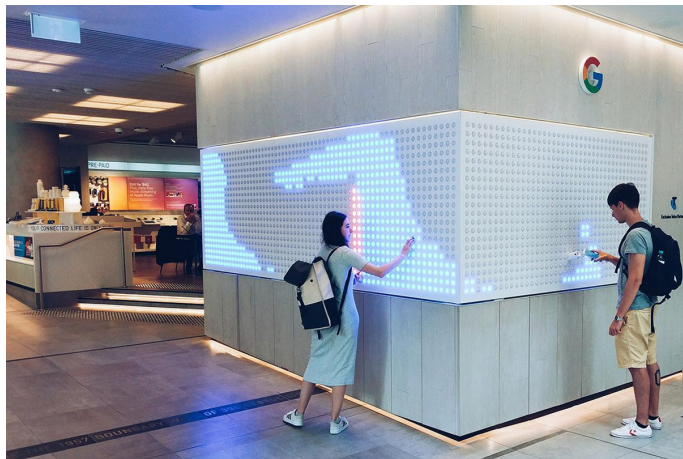


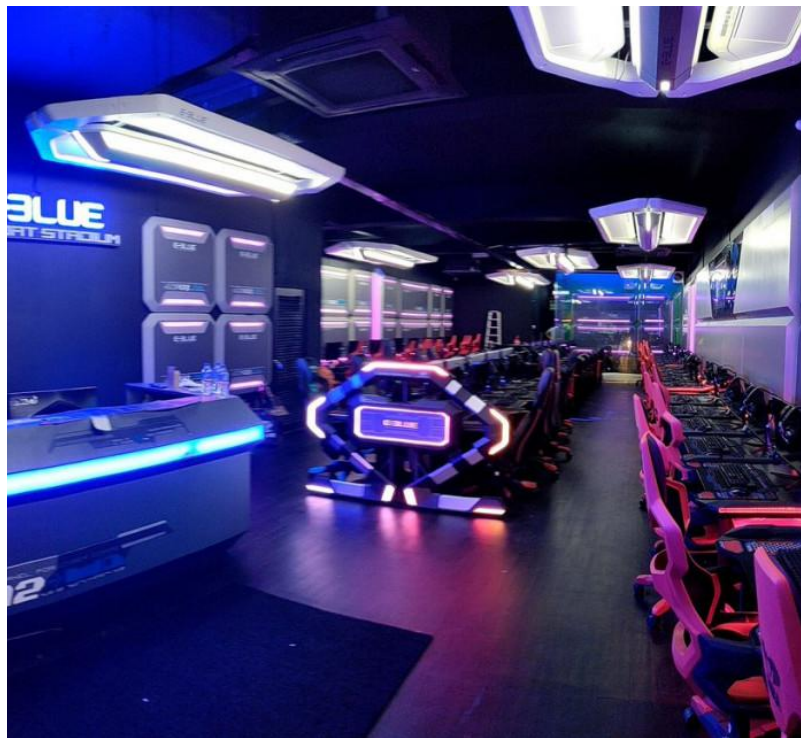






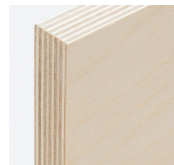
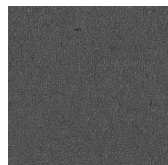








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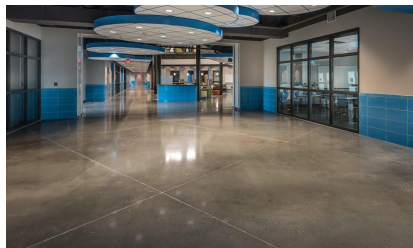


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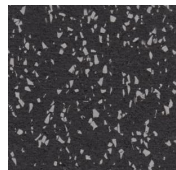
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RESTROOM TILE OPTIONS



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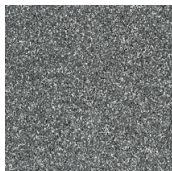
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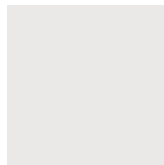
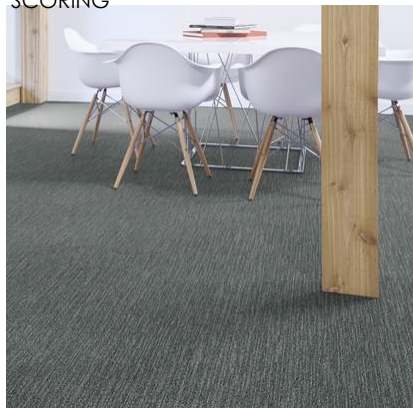
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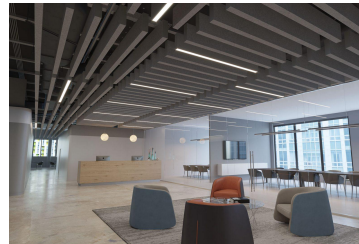
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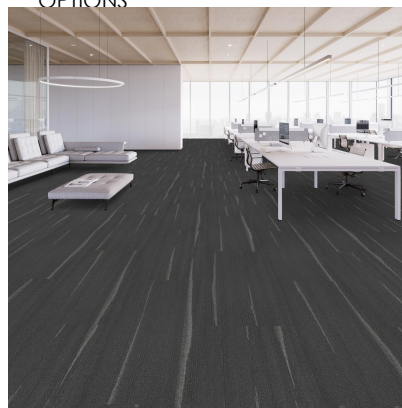
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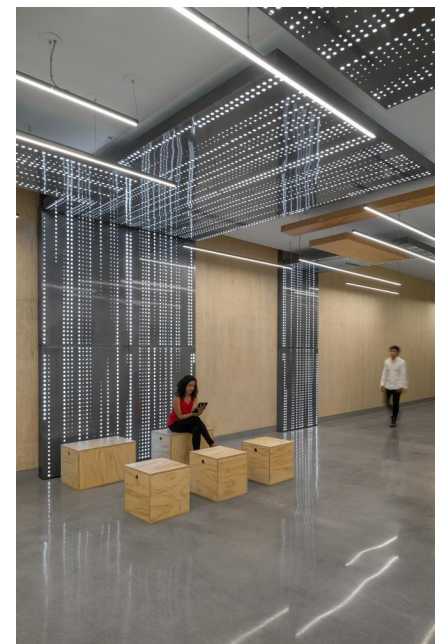
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CEILING OPTIONS



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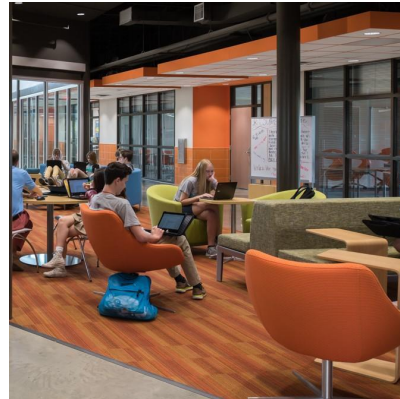


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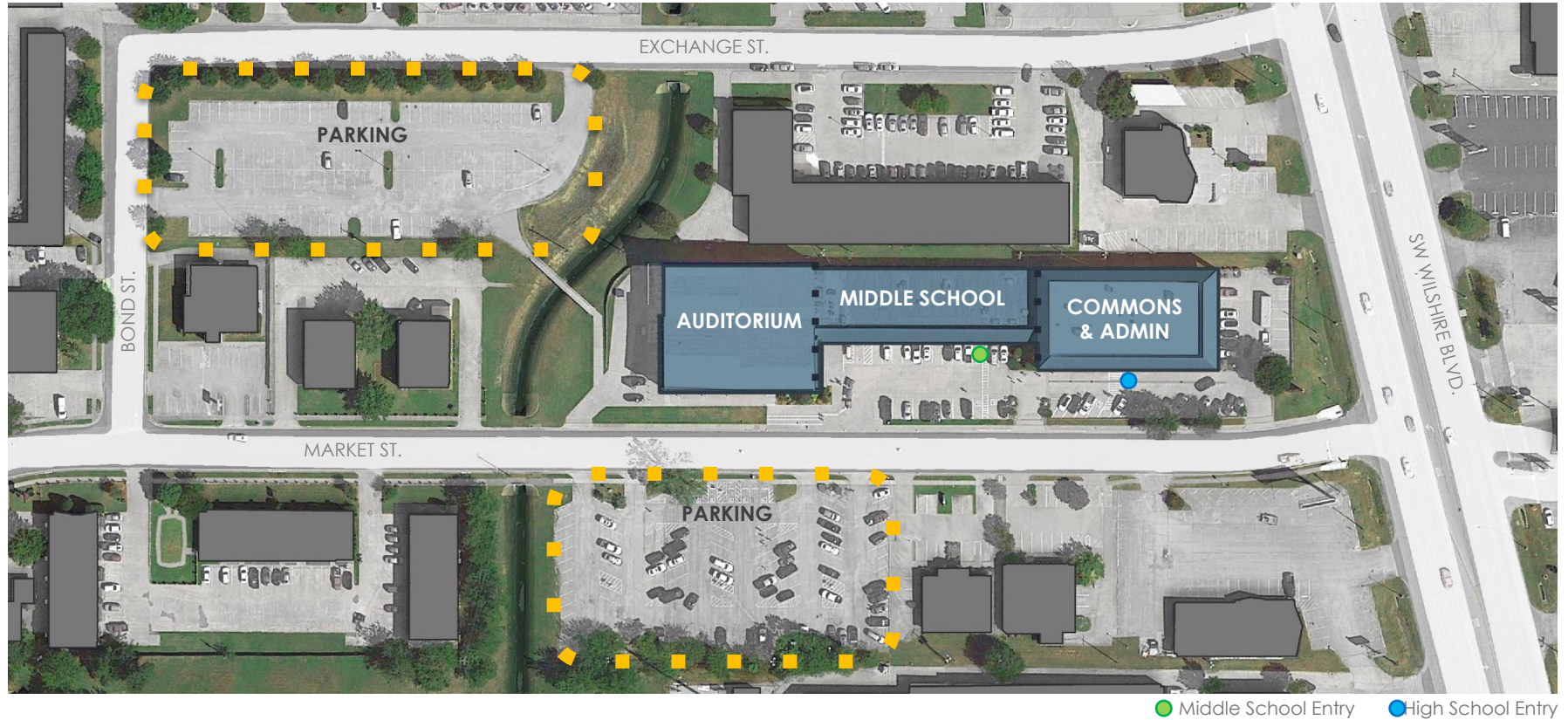
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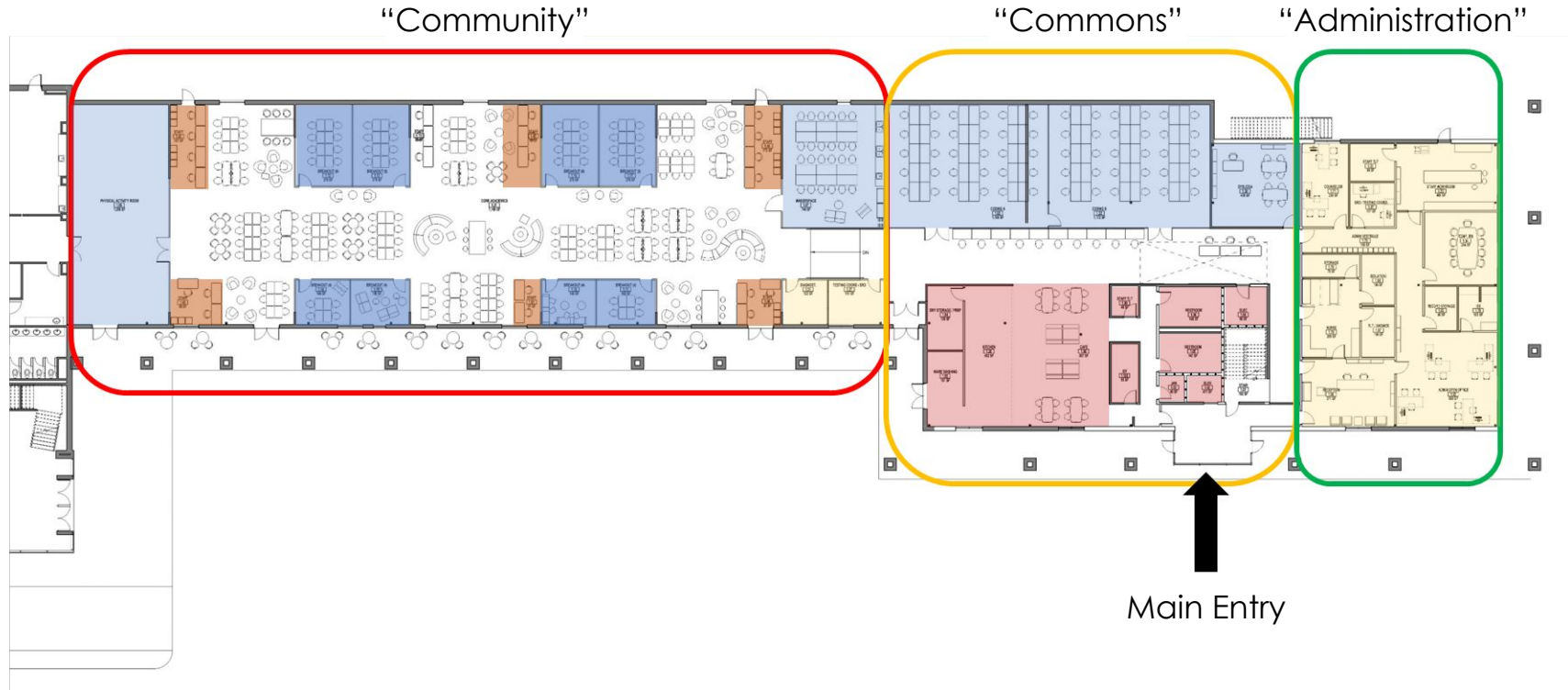
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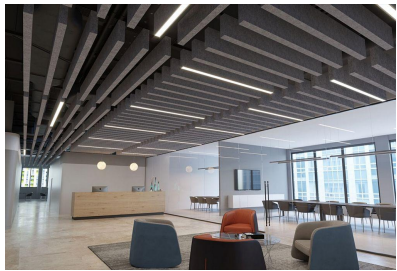
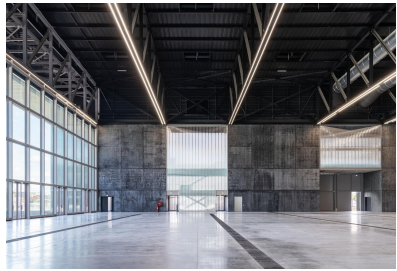
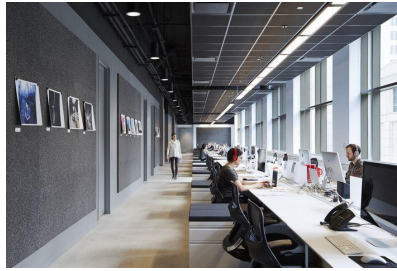


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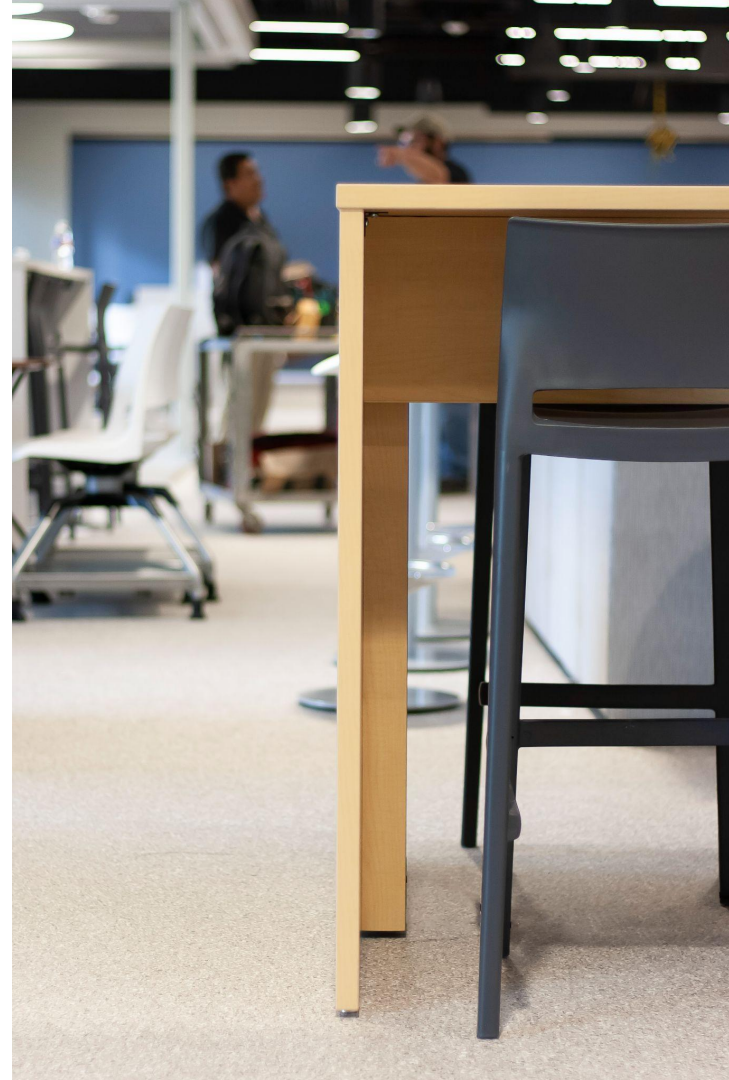




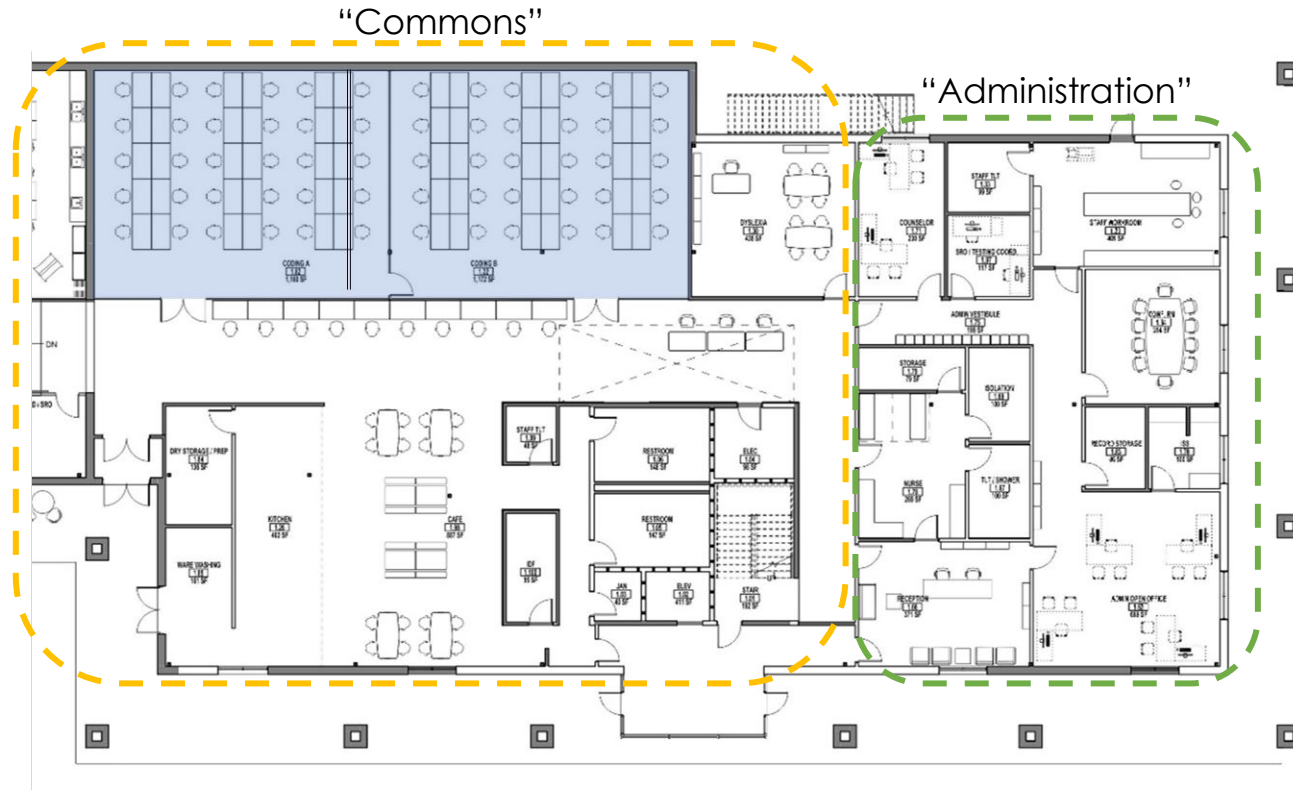


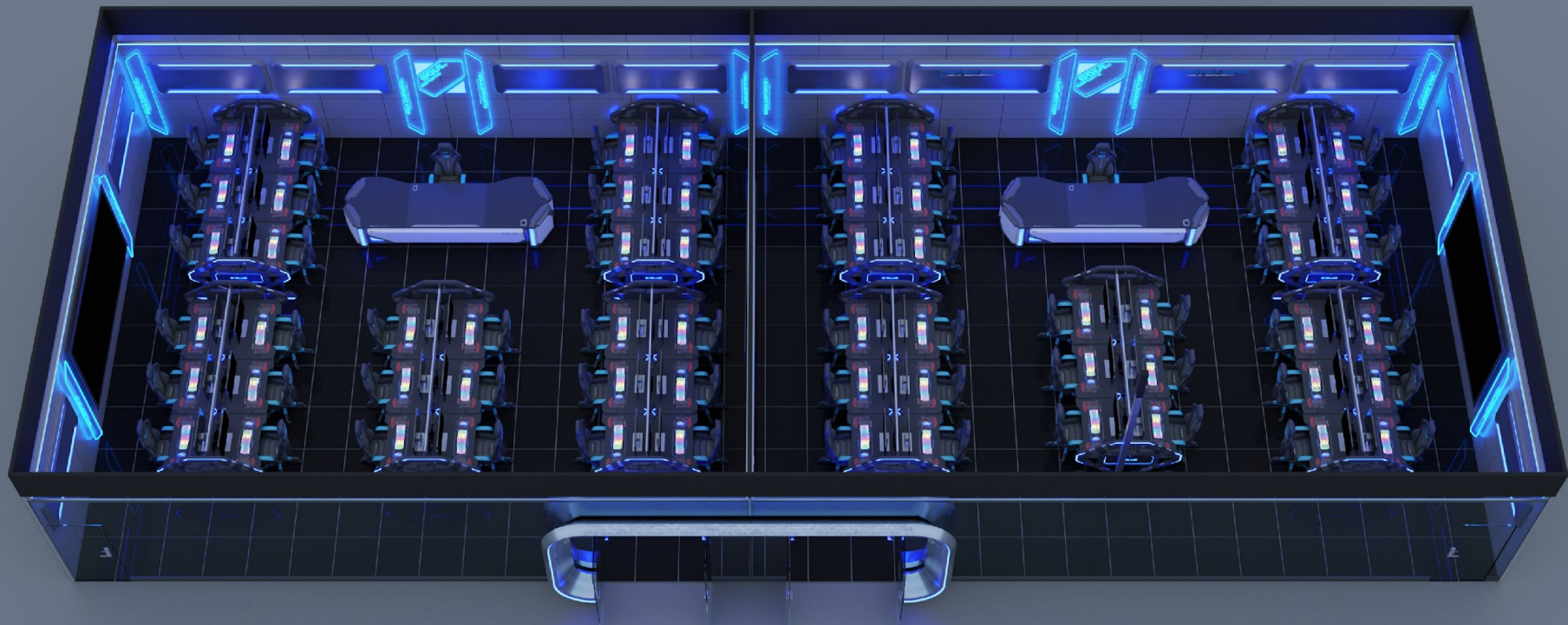


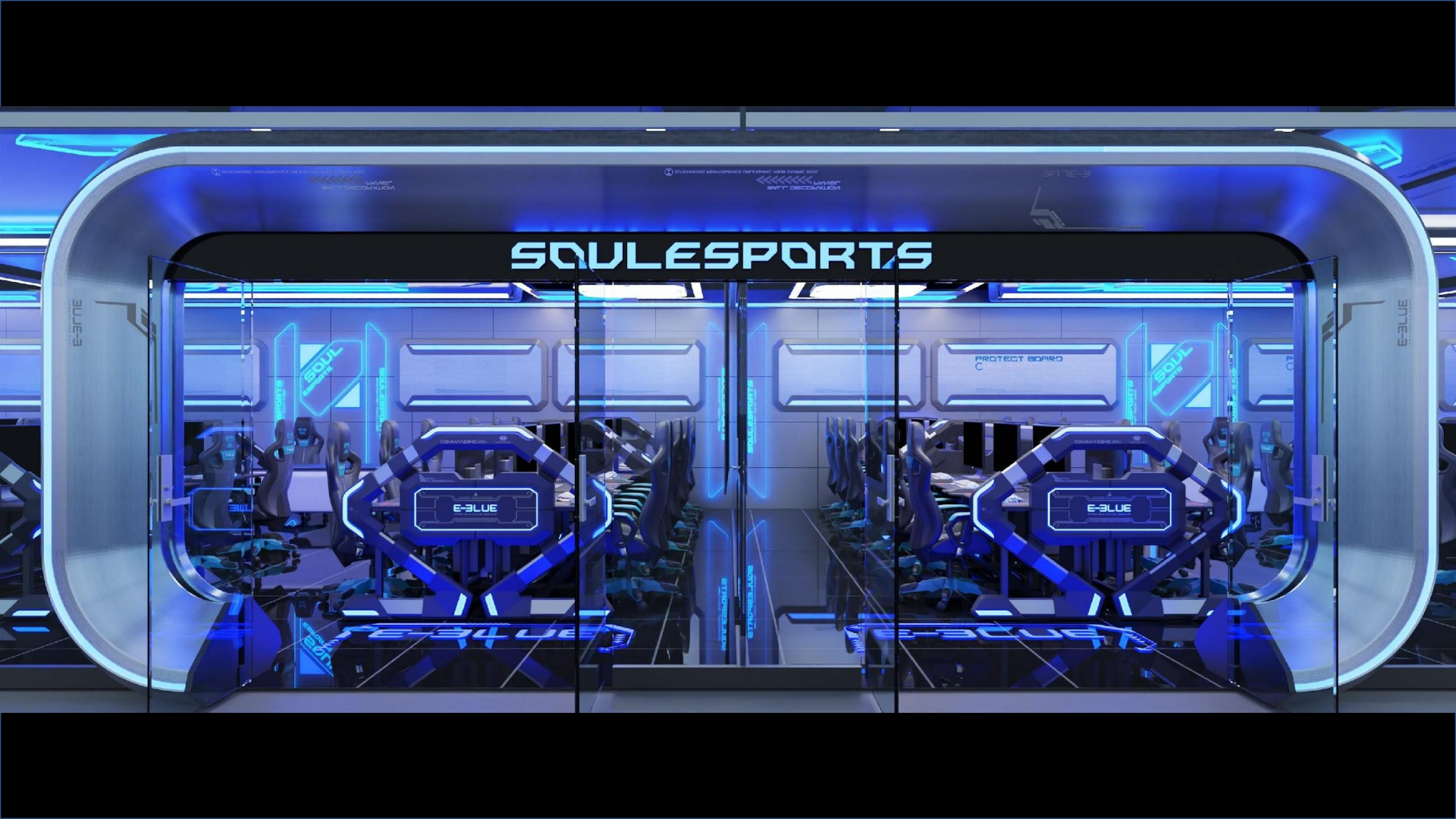
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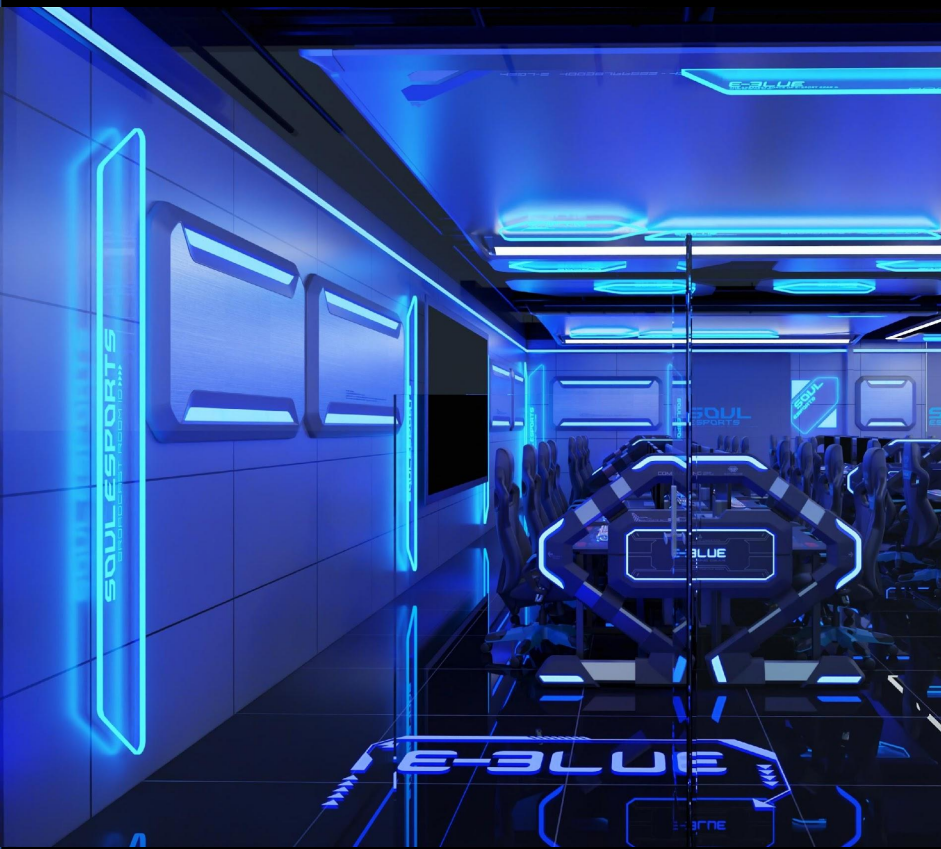
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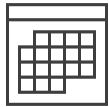






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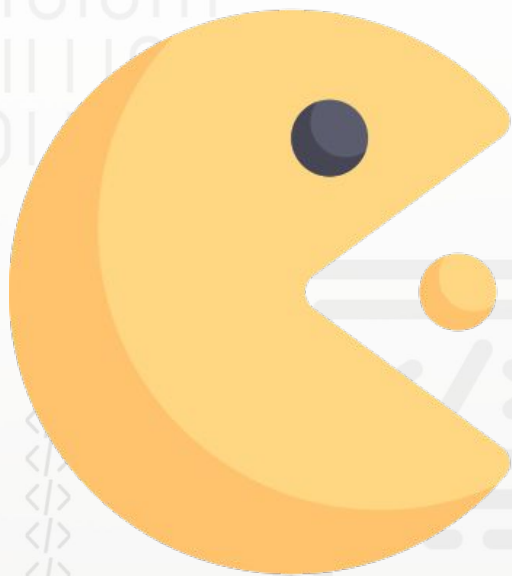
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November 2020 – March 2021

## **Construction**

April 2021 – September 2021

\$ 7 million



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