

Rosati-Kain High School

St. Louis, MO



Rosati-Kain High School Gets a Historic Facelift

Here in St. Louis, where WINCO is headquartered, we like our high schools. In fact, the question "Where'd you go to high school?" is a common part of casual conversation when meeting someone new. It's a thing here.

So, when we got the chance to work on one of our most architecturally famous local high schools, we jumped! Rosati-Kain High School is an all girls, college prep Catholic high school in St. Louis' historic Central West End, established in 1911. After a bland 1970's makeover, the three-story classical structure had lost its original elegant windows and panning. We knew we could help.

PROJECT DETAILS

Systems Provided

Series

4410S

Market

Education K-12

Project Team

Architect

M+H Architects

General Contractor

Murray Company



When a major renovation was approved, WINCO and M+H Architects worked closely with the City of St. Louis Cultural Resources Office to replicate the building's original windows. Because they had been previously replaced, the team referred to old photographs and original construction elevations for historical accuracy. To our delight, one of our employees, Bob Bohn, brought in his mom's 1937 Rosati-Kain yearbook and showed us the original windows in the school.

WINCO's 4410S single hung windows were installed on all three floors. To achieve the original sightlines, almost all the windows were hung with a transom and WINCO built horizontal and vertical mullions. Custom panning, snap trim, and a crisp painted Kynar finish matched the original wood frame windows. Clear insulated glass with low-E coating provides energy efficiency.





Today, thanks in part to Mrs. Bohn and her yearbook, Rosati-Kain remains an architectural treasure in St. Louis, and a place its alumnae are proud to name when asked, "Where'd you go to high school?"