

## BBS Architects & Engineers wins three 2011 Sustainability and Innovation Awards

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BBS Architects & Engineers swept the competition by winning three out of ten awards in School Planning & Management magazine's prestigious 2011 Sustainability & Innovation Awards program. The annual competition recognizes the most architecturally and technically advanced sustainable design practices in the U.S.

Patchogue, NY-based BBS is a leading regional and national designer of sustainable educational, institutional and commercial facilities. The firm designed the first LEED-certified public school in New York State and since 2010 had 10 projects that either received LEED certification or were undergoing the certification process. LEED is a nationally recognized sustainability evaluation program developed by the U.S. Green Building Council.

BBS won the Building as a Teaching Tool category award for the new Life Sciences Building at the Suffolk County Community College in Selden, and two awards in the Site Selection & Development category for the Mullarkey Hall renovation at the Long Island University's CW Post Campus in Brookville, and the Southampton Elementary School in Southampton.

"We are very proud to receive recognition for BBS' sustainable design work," said BBS president and lead architect Roger Smith, AIA, LEED AP. "The 2011 Sustainability & Innovation Awards highlight not only our firm's green design and engineering expertise but also the fact that Long Island and the Greater New York area lead the nation in architectural creativity and environmentally conscious development practices."

Currently in the pre-construction phase, the new, \$28.5 million Life Sciences Building at the Suffolk County Community College will serve as the flagship architectural statement within the Ammerman Campus in Selden. The college selected BBS' design in a competition that focused on architectural excellence, sustainability and functionality. The 68,500 s/f project aims at LEED Gold certification and will house 1,500 students. One of the most interesting features of the new structure will be kiosks displaying the building's sustainability data, power and HVAC systems performance and amounts of solar energy harvested and stored for later use.

Long Island University's \$1.6 million Mullarkey Hall renovation in Brookville converted a 6,000 s/f historic mansion into an undergraduate admissions office. The project preserved the historic character of the building and its interiors, while maximizing the functionality and sustainability of the limited space.

The expansion and renovation of the Southampton Elementary School presented the school district and the design team with the opportunity to increase the school facilities' efficiency and quality as well as implement healthy interior environment for both students and faculty. The project encompassed construction of a new, three-story, 25,500 s/f classroom addition, a new maintenance building and extensive improvements to the athletic fields and the school site.

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