



## **BOND AND HMFH ARCHITECTS CELEBRATE OPENING OF MARIA WESTON CHAPMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**BOSTON (August 16, 2022)** – [BOND Building Construction, Inc.](#) (BOND Building) the Northeast’s premier building construction firm, and [HMFH Architects](#), an architectural firm focused on the design of student living and learning environments, announced today the completion of the new 252,000 SF Maria Weston Chapman Middle School in Weymouth, Mass. This cutting-edge building will soon host over 1,400 students, grades 6-8, when the new school year begins on September 6<sup>th</sup>. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate the completion of this project. In addition to members of the BOND Building and HMFH Architects teams, other attendees included State Senator Patrick O’Connor and State Representative Jaime Murphy; Hill International, the owner’s program manager; Weymouth officials; Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) representatives; and local community members.

“This is the most significant capital project that the Town has ever undertaken in its history,” said Weymouth Mayor Robert Hedlund.

Added MSBA Executive Director Jack McCarthy, “Weymouth put together a great group to run this project for them. Hill Interview is the OPM, HMFH is the designer, and Bond Brothers is the construction professionals. When I saw that group, I am not surprised that the project came in on time and on budget, because that’s what they do for us all over the Commonwealth.”

The \$163 million project, commissioned by the Town of Weymouth, was constructed by BOND Building. “Our team is honored to have worked on such an innovative building and one so vital to the community of Weymouth,” said Frank Hayes, President of BOND Building Construction. “Over many months of collaboration, planning, and hard work, we’ve been able to deliver an institution that will help foster a meaningful learning environment and create the best possible experience for all students who walk through its doors.”

Designed by HMFH, the Chapman Middle School features three academic wings and variety of lab and maker spaces which are built around the school’s new ‘Town Square,’ a central circulation space and gathering area that also functions as the dining facility. It features an 840-seat professional performance theatre space that will be utilized by students, as well as the broader community.

“Hearing the pride and the way that people spoke about Chapman, we took as part of our mission to design the new Chapman with that level of love, care and enthusiasm so that great learning can happen here, and so that one day it can serve as a symbol of this community,” said Matt LaRue, Project Designer at HMFH.

Project team members include:

- Architect: HMFH Architects
- Construction Manager: BOND

- OPM: Hill International
- MEP: GGD Consulting Engineers
- Civil: Samiotes Consultants
- Landscape: IBI Group
- Fire Protection: AKAL
- Structural Engineering: FBRA Foley Buhl Roberts & Associates
- Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering: McPhail
- AV: CTA Cavanaugh Tocci Associates
- Case work/ FF&E: P-L-S Point Line Space
- Kitchen consulting: Crabtree McGrath
- Theater consultant: Theatre Projects

### **About BOND Building**

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### **About HMFH**

HMFH Architects is an education design firm known for its community-based approach, user-centric design, and healthy, sustainable buildings. A certified Women-Owned Business, HMFH works with public school districts, independent schools, universities, and community and public-realm clients. For more information, visit [www.hmfh.com](http://www.hmfh.com).

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