

## Sacred Heart Science and Student Life Center



**Location**  
Atherton, California

**Client**  
Leddly Maytum Stacy Architects  
Sacred Heart Schools

**SWA Scope**  
Campus Planning  
Landscape Architectural Services

**Size**  
2.2 acres

**Architect**  
Leddly Maytum Stacy Architects

**Green or LEED-Rated Design Elements**  
LEED for Schools Platinum

**Awards**  
AIA Top Ten Green Project 2010

Sacred Heart's Michael J. Homer Science and Student Life Center creates a cohesive central quad for this 550-student preparatory school located on a 64-acre wooded campus. The building and site interlock with building spaces organized around a heritage Oak protected by a raised wood deck. A dining terrace with midday sun exposure is flanked by student-cultivated organic gardens that receive kitchen compost and provide fresh fruits and vegetables to the cafeteria. The lobby roof is covered with local plants that recreate habitat and provide attractive views from adjacent labs and classrooms. Bike facilities and priority access for carpools and hybrid vehicles are provided to encourage reduced emissions. The site's stormwater is detained and filtered in a rain garden before entering local streams and the Bay. The project is the first worldwide to be certified LEED for Schools Platinum.

