

19 August 2020

Mr. Jeff Saylor | Superintendent  
Estill County Schools  
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Email: jeff.saylor@estill.kyschools.us



Re: **Letter of Interest – Renovation at Estill County High School**

Dear Mr. Saylor,

Studio Kremer Architects is interested in being considered for architectural services for the upcoming renovation at Estill County High School. We understand the scope of work includes major renovation of the 1970 and 1982 buildings, including HVAC and plumbing replacement, LED lighting, and technology and interior finish upgrades – all described in your June 2019 District Facility Plan.

Studio Kremer has the experience to adeptly manage and execute renovations of this scale and complexity. A recent Studio Kremer project with a similar set of requirements is the 189,300 sf renovation of Pleasure Ridge High School in Jefferson County, completed in partnership with CMTA Engineers. This project consisted of HVAC, plumbing, and electrical renovation across multiple buildings on a large campus and was completed on an aggressive 20-month construction schedule. Construction was phased, coordinated around the established school calendar.

A project of this scale requires diligent project documentation and persistent attention during construction. Studio Kremer has the skilled staff, the experience, and the capacity to serve Estill County Schools' project well from initial concept-development through Construction Administration.

Educational facilities have been the largest part of Studio Kremer's work for over a decade and they remain a primary focus for us. We are currently wrapping up design documentation for two new elementary schools – one in Bullitt County and one in Jefferson County – which will begin construction this fall. In addition to these, current projects include a freestanding gym for Eminence Independent Schools and small renovation projects for Nelson, Bullitt, Oldham, and Jefferson Counties.

Recently completed projects of note include a new 113,500 sf K-8 school in Shelby County and an expansion/renovation for Danville Independent Schools, converting their elementary into a primary (P-1) school. Both of these are unique examples of 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning environments, responsive to specific educational goals. These – and many of the schools on which we've worked over the past decade – are among the most economical and energy-efficient K-12 projects in Kentucky.

We value our working relationships with Kentucky School Districts, their Boards, and the staff at the Kentucky Department of Education's Division of District Support, and we would be pleased to forge a new relationship with Estill County Schools through this opportunity. On a personal note, my wife has family and friends in Irvine, so working with Estill County Schools will give us even more reason to visit!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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