

# ASPIRA CHARTER AT HAUGAN MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS

## Project Wrap-Up



### Greetings:

Education is vitally important for individual achievement and for the growth and prosperity of society as a whole. That is why the Public Building Commission of Chicago takes great pride in its long-standing relationship with the Chicago Public Schools.

We realize that building new educational facilities, renovating existing schools and creating additions and annexes are more than mere construction projects. Our work helps CPS open new avenues to learning for its students.

For the 2005–06 school year, CPS and the PBC are opening the doors to three new school facilities: Tarkington School of Excellence, Aspira Charter at Haugan Middle School Campus and Little Village High School Campus, which will house four small schools. In February of 2005, CPS and the PBC also opened the Edward K. “Duke” Ellington Elementary School. Each of these facilities will address key areas of need and will help to inspire students who attend them to fulfill their dreams.

I would like to thank CPS for choosing the PBC to manage each of these projects, and I look forward to many more opportunities for successful collaboration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Montel M. Gayles'.

Montel M. Gayles  
Executive Director

Aspira Charter at Haugan Middle School Campus is a newly constructed middle school located at 3729 W. Leland Avenue, and serving the community of Albany Park. Construction began on this 4.41-acre site in the spring of 2004. The school will be attended by approximately 650 sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students.

Haugan Middle School is comprised of two separate academies within one building—a math and science academy and a technology academy. A charter school, Haugan will be operated by the Aspira Association—a national organization dedicated to the education and leadership development of Puerto Rican and other Latino youth. Aspira takes its name from the Spanish verb *aspirar*, meaning “aspire.”

A joint venture with the Chicago Park District (CPD), Haugan Middle School houses a new CPD club room, shower room, and gym. Students can use these CPD facilities, while taking advantage of other types of programming offered by the Park District.



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Mayor Richard M. Daley, Chairman  
Montel M. Gayles, Executive Director



### CONSTRUCTION DETAILS:

- construction cost: approximately \$17 million
- 115,292 square feet school building
- a 4.41 acre Chicago Park District facility with a fully lit baseball diamond, extensive playground including spray pool and mature trees
- 29 standard academic classrooms
- 6 special education academic classrooms
- 1 science classroom
- 1 music room
- 1 art room
- administrative suite
- Learning Resource Center
- nurse and student services area
- student dining room
- multi-purpose room
- gymnasium (Shared with Chicago Park District)
- parking (on site and off site): 15 spaces on site, 21 spaces off site
- rooftop garden

### CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT:

- administrative office
- locker rooms
- toilet and shower facilities
- club room

### BUILDING FEATURES:

- fully accessible to people with disabilities
- central air conditioning
- state-of-the-art computer network
- 3-story brick, dimension stone and glass curtain wall on steel structure
- ornamental metal fencing
- landscaping throughout school campus

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION:

- F.H. Paschen—general contractor
- STL Architects—architect of record
- OWP/P Architects, Inc.—managing design architect
- Chicago School Associates—program manager
- Public Building Commission—construction manager
- Patricia Lombardo—project manager