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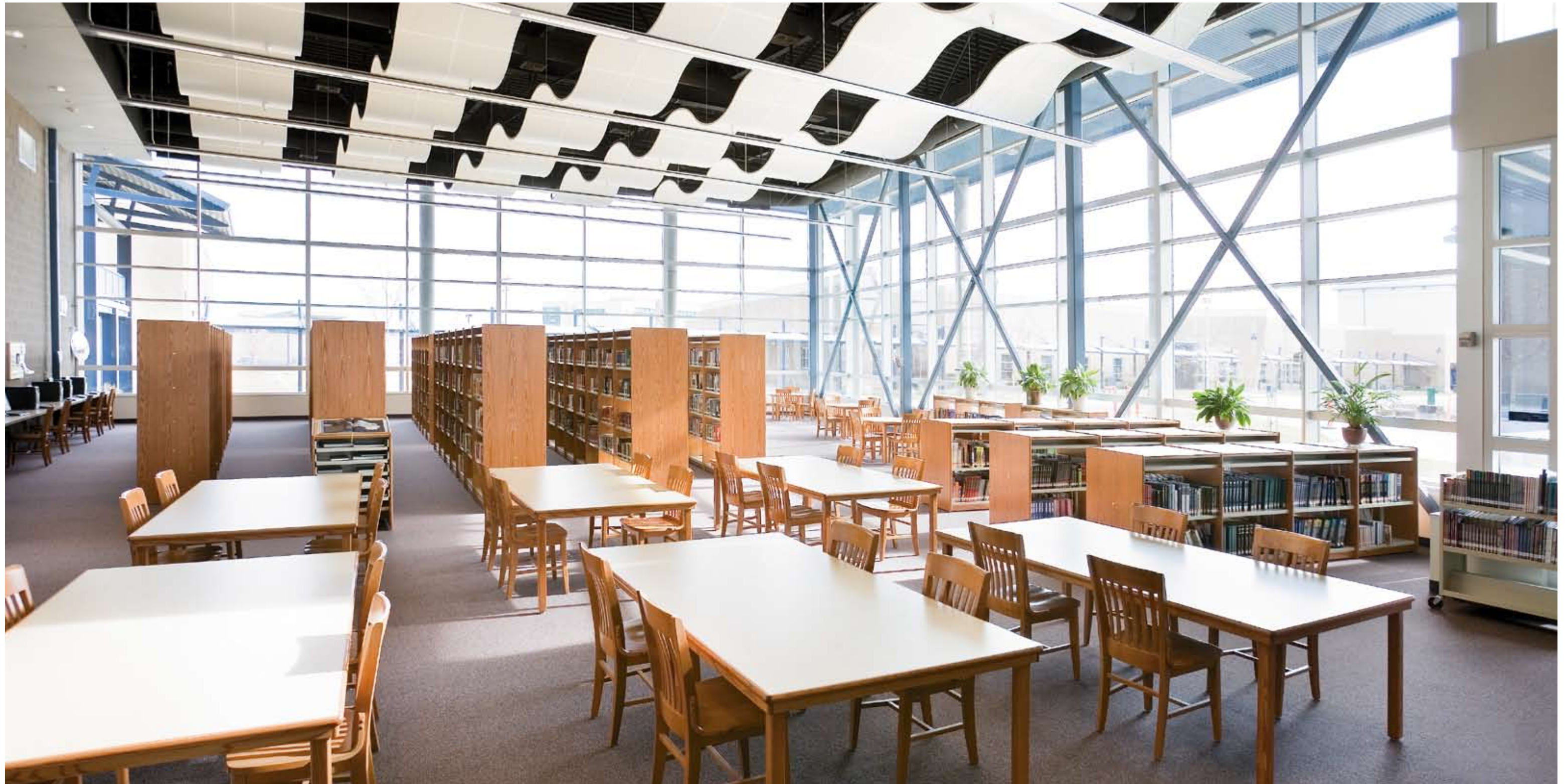
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Libraries are not trends. They are not temporary or transient, not of brief duration or short attention span. Accordingly, Bretford library furniture defies age, conquering any and all forces that would conspire to wear it down. Like the knowledge housed within library walls,

Bretford library furniture not only stands the test of time, but goes even further by revealing new layers of relevance as needs evolve. All this with the backing of a risk-minimizing 20-year warranty and a staff that simplifies every step of the process. It's value, as redefined by Bretford.



MODULARITY/FLEXIBILITY



The San Francisco circulation desk is designed and built ergonomically sound to reduce the likelihood of work-related injuries.



Our circulation desks are a study in complete modularity. Even the storage units can be customized with a variety of components.

Circulation Desks. Modularity and flexibility. They are the twin mantras of library furniture, and our Legacy and San Francisco lines are their finest embodiment. The custom millwork appearance of the San Francisco line belies its unprecedented level of functionality; indeed, desks can be made up of a nearly infinite number of pieces, resulting in a dizzying range of configurations. And the Legacy line, long a staple of the world's most prestigious libraries, virtually speaks for itself. In polite, hushed tones, of course.



The perfectly modular Legacy circulation desk was the inspiration for the San Francisco desk.



Our transaction counters provide a traditional look while offering privacy.

ADAPTABILITY/FUTURE-PROOFING



The newspaper rack accessory attaches to standard shelving units and provides storage for up to 11 newspaper rods.

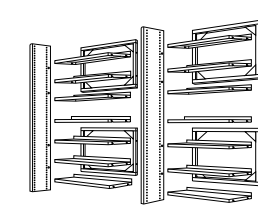


Bretford's book support design incorporates steel instead of wood, providing additional strength that helps keep books neatly organized while preventing sliding and warping.

Shelving Options. Nowhere is the need for modularity more pressing than in library shelving. Collections are constantly changing. Storage, if it is to be of good value, must adapt quickly and easily. Enter Bretford shelving options. A pin-style system allows staff to make quick changes to configurations while keeping units tamper proof. New shelving need not be purchased when it can be created on the fly from existing components.



The tamper-proof pin system prevents unsafe situations by ensuring pins cannot be removed by unauthorized personnel.



The Bretford steel frame system is the backbone of our shelving, maximizing air flow, light transfer, and visual control. In combination with leveling glides on the upright panels, the frame system allows for easy installation.

DATA AND POWER INTEGRATION



Multi-purpose Connections SmartDeck tables provide computer access when open and a convenient work surface when closed.



Study tables are available in various sizes, shapes, and styles, providing a table solution for any need.

Study Options. As libraries evolve, so must the way they are furnished. Bretford answers with tables and carrels which seamlessly integrate and organize technology — from computer components to their myriad cords, cables, and connectors. Marrying solidly durable furniture to ever-changing technology: it's one of many ways Bretford builds long-lasting value into its library furniture.

AESTHETICS MEETS FUNCTION



Lounge and Meeting Options. The library is no longer just an institution of books. Far from it, it is a hub for communications of all sorts, and this evolution is reflected in our lounge and meeting offerings. Trends and technologies emerge; our furniture adapts. Uses for libraries develop; we anticipate. Our lounge furniture can be easily rearranged — family reading area one minute, Internet café the next.



Coffee bars in libraries are increasingly popular. Bretford Free round tables match café aesthetics with library functionality.



A reading room can be created by using shelving to define the area.

Public Library. Nowhere are a library's diverse uses and applications as apparent as in the public library. Here, a seemingly infinite number of challenges can arise daily, with types of users as varied as ways in which the facility is used. From casual browsing and lounging to demanding tech applications, Bretford rises to the challenge with durable, smartly modular solutions that do their part to help keep the entire operation running smoothly.



Instant access to the online card catalog is easy with walk-up carrels serving as computer stations.



Create attractive displays with Bretford's slat wall end panels. A perfect solution for promoting books and events.



DIVERSE APPLICATIONS

A LEGACY REFERENCE DESK STRATEGICALLY PLACED IN A LIBRARY ENSURES HELP IS ALWAYS NEARBY.

Kankakee Public Library

After eight years of struggling to get a building project off the ground, the Kankakee Public Library had only 11 months to complete the project. Bretford worked closely with architects and project managers to quickly and effectively match up the finishes on shelving and desks to the existing finishes in the building. With a combination of shelving, public tables, mobile computer and lab tables, and a public service desk, a cohesive and attractive library was achieved — on time and on budget. Four years later, finishes still look brand new, despite daily rearrangements.

University Library. Higher learning meets Bretford's higher form of function. We understand the unique needs of the university library environment and respond with fully integrated computer stations, advanced study options, and an overall approach that places equal emphasis on durability, flexibility, and adaptability. The result: furniture that fulfills the requirements of university libraries by minimizing risk and maximizing value.



Ithaca 60-degree-radius carrels maximize the appeal and practicality of tight spaces.



Bretford's periodical shelving and round tables make it easy to outfit a periodical reading area.



CUSTOMIZATION

University of Rochester
The University of Rochester library was an exercise in consolidation. Multiple departments and collections, including government documents, newspapers, microfilm, and a business library, were to become one collective resource. The staff at University of Rochester was skeptical. Bretford's solution was deceptively simple: use perfectly appropriate furniture for each task. Compact shelving around the perimeter allowed for newspapers to fit in the room. The San Francisco circulation desk proved the right combination of aesthetics and flexibility. And a custom carrel allowed people to sit comfortably at the microfilm desk with plenty of room for research. Finally, computer work stations were created with Ithaca 60-degree-radius carrels uniquely configured to fit the unique space. To ensure proper installation on a tight deadline, Bretford sent a product engineer to oversee the project.

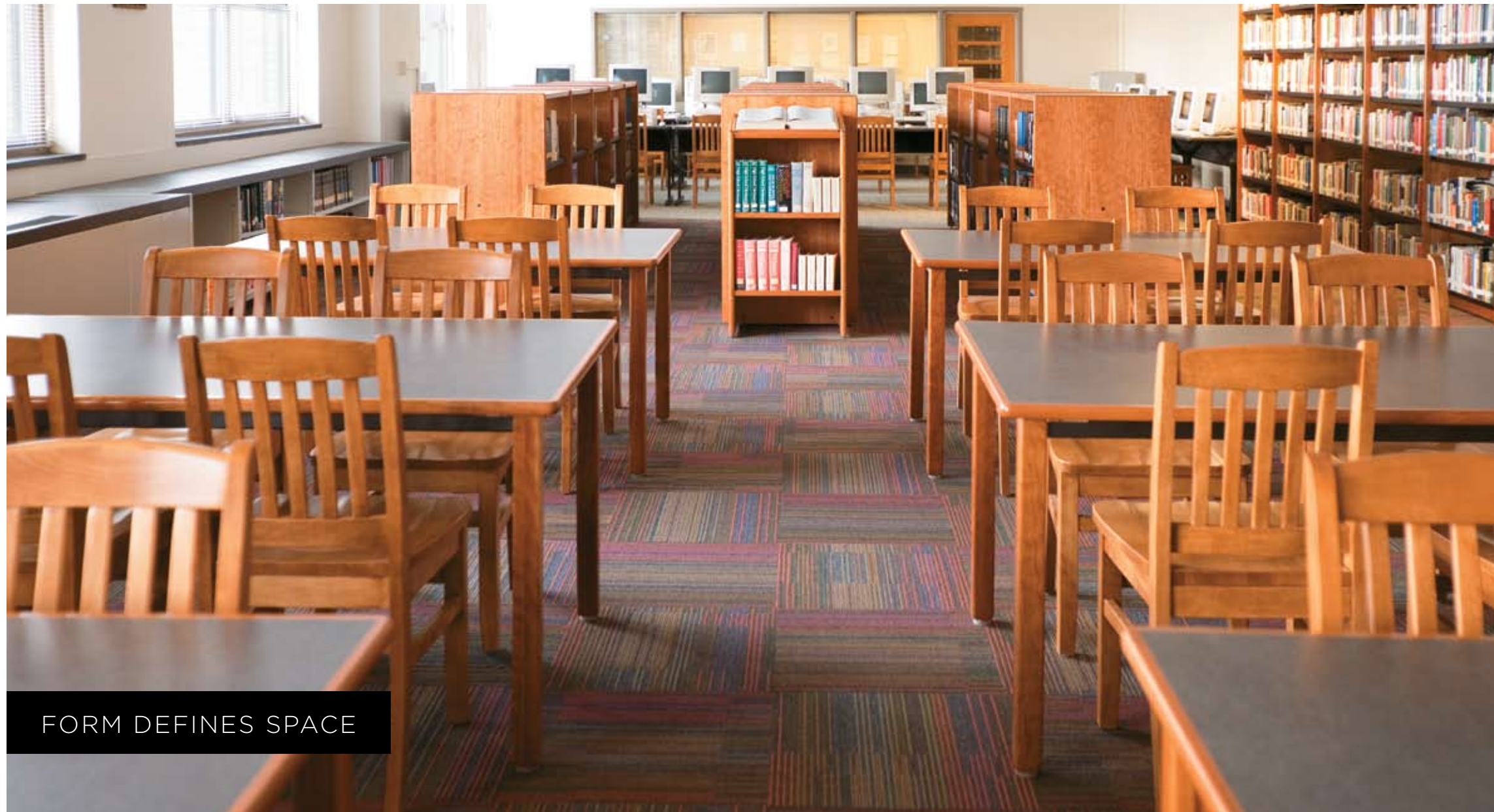
High School Library. There's a simple truth of high school libraries: teenagers are hard on furniture. The Bretford solution is to build library products so durable they take it all in stride — and do it for generations. From our virtually indestructible finishes to our 20-year warranty, Bretford library furniture is clearly in it for the long haul. Of course, durability in and of itself is not enough, so Bretford provides solutions as functional and technologically adaptable as they are tough.



The San Francisco circulation desk fills tight spaces with a beautifully functional and ergonomic solution.



Connections computer tables feature integrated cord management bins and privacy panels, creating a highly durable and practical solution for a lab.

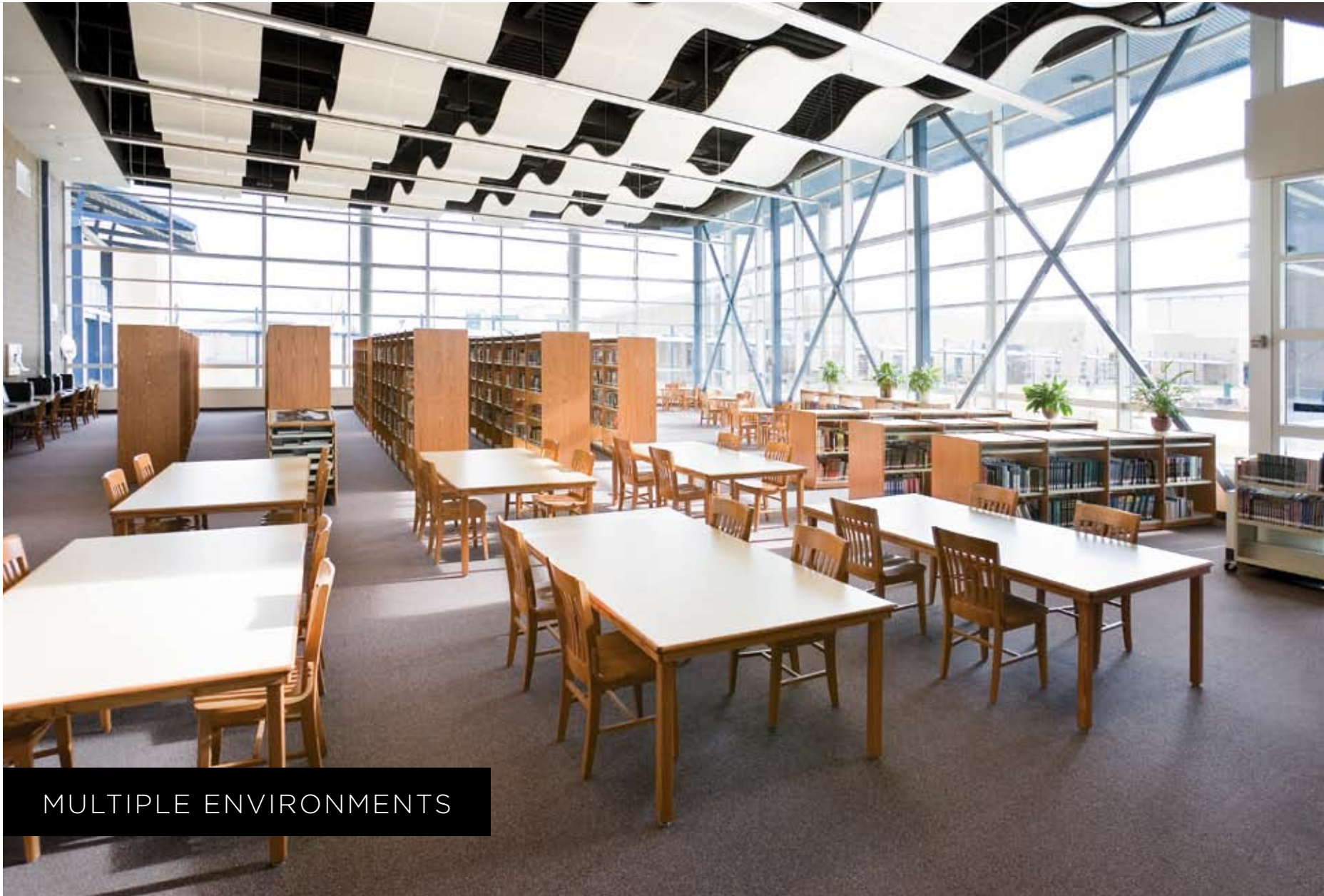


FORM DEFINES SPACE

Troy High School

How to create a functional, attractive library out of a space that's neither? Bretford helped Troy High School overcome this challenge with maximum modularity, supplying tall shelving along the walls to maximize vertical space and shorter shelving for the middle of the room to preserve sight lines from the librarian's office on one end of the room to the seminar space on the other. The curved circulation desk adds visual appeal, resulting in a space that takes corridor-like proportions and transforms them into a library that is both easy to use and easy on the eye.

Middle School Library. Being flexible enough to create multiple environments at once – and changing it all around for the next class period. That’s the charge for middle school libraries, and it’s one Bretford has answered time and time again. Middle school libraries serve a lot of people and uses simultaneously, so our adaptability is a perfect fit, whether it’s traditional shelving and tables for lecture classes, technology tables for computer-focused classes, or study carrels for diligent book work.



MULTIPLE ENVIRONMENTS

DISTINCTIVE AREAS ARE CREATED IN THIS LEGACY LIBRARY, ALLOWING FOR MULTIPLE CLASSES TO GO ON SIMULTANEOUSLY.



A library multitasks easily with tech tables that transition from traditional surface to computer lab.



Atlases are stored securely in Bretford's Atlas case. Shelves pull out easily.



Bretford's vast offering of book trucks makes transporting books a breeze.

Rosemont School

When a school wants to make the library the centerpiece of its campus, it chooses furnishings very carefully. And being selective takes on even greater importance when earthquakes are a concern. For Northern California's Rosemont School, Bretford's Seismic Frames were a natural choice, since their design prevents shelving from toppling during an earthquake. Of course, aesthetics were also a top priority, and Bretford open-back 84" shelving allows for illumination of the book stacks, maximizing the natural light from several 30' glass walls. The result is a library that is as beautiful as it is functional and secure.

Elementary School Library. From book browsing to story time, lower school libraries have adaptability demands all their own. To accommodate the array of activities that go on here, furniture has to be uniquely adaptable and incredibly durable, all while maintaining and even augmenting the look and character of the library. It has to be the right fit for kids but equally usable for teachers and parents. In other words, it has to be Bretford.



Converting a room from one use to another requires little effort or worry when using Bretford's mobile shelving units.



Whether the computer lab is in the library or an adjacent room, Connections computer tables are the perfect solution.



ADAPTABILITY/DURABILITY

Sonoma Country Day School

When Sonoma Country Day School set out to build an entirely new K-8 school, it turned to Bretford for its library furniture needs. The challenges were many: a brand new campus with a decidedly sophisticated look; a library that serves everyone from young children to adolescents to parents; the need for furniture that's entirely adaptable while being durable and attractive. To meet these challenges, Bretford supplied two very different types of furniture — lower-height furniture for younger kids and full-sized pieces for older kids and adults. The result? A stunningly beautiful facility that is comfortable for single class or mixed use and flexible enough to meet the needs of three very different age groups.

Multi-Purpose Library. For some libraries, multi-media demands are just the beginning of being flexible. Hosting everything from receptions to ceremonies to meetings, these libraries have furniture demands that are anything but ordinary. Bretford answers with furniture that redefines adaptable, with functionality that ensures it's a smart, long-term investment, regardless of the many ways it's being put to the test.



Lake Forest Academy

When Lake Forest Academy conceived its new library, school officials knew that the facility would serve dramatically divergent purposes. Furniture would need to be functional enough for school usage during the days and yet adaptable enough for everything from wedding receptions to banquets in the evenings. Bretford responded with mobile shelving units that maintain the traditional, upscale look of the space, yet are easy to rearrange or clear out for social engagements. Bretford staff even aided in the design of the office and circulation room, ensuring an aesthetically cohesive, smartly adaptable library.

Special Use. Corporate libraries. Meeting and conference rooms. Office lounges. Just because we call it library furniture doesn't mean its quality, adaptability, and durability can't be put to good use in any number of other situations. The truth is, Bretford library furniture, with its 20-year warranty and tech-ready savvy, is a good choice virtually anywhere.



BEYOND THE OBVIOUS

ITHACA LOUNGE FURNITURE CREATES HIGH STYLE AND COMFORT IN VIRTUALLY ANY ENVIRONMENT.



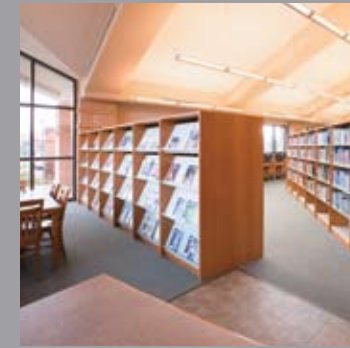
A corporate library can be created complete with Ithaca shelving.

Resources. More than a designer and manufacturer of furniture, Bretford helps libraries take shape through every step of the process, from conception to completion.

Our Library Specification Guide includes planning tools, finish options, sizes, and configuration examples to help you plan your library and media center. Our Library Survey Form will get you thinking about all aspects of your library, from how many books you need to store to how many patrons you need to seat.

The Bretford website offers full library product specs, photographs, downloadable brochures, and assembly instructions and other tools to help you visualize your library.

And when you're ready to put it all together, the Bretford Project Team can take your vision to reality by providing a CAD drawing of your space and a quote for its contents. To contact the Bretford Project Team, call 800.521.9614 or visit www.bretford.com/find/sales.



LEGACY

A flexible system of tables, chairs, carrels, and shelves that support today's media as well as tomorrow's. Move over, books.



SAN FRANCISCO

A functional and ergonomically designed circulation desk with built-in modularity. Librarians now have furniture that intuitively understands and responds to the way they work.



ITHACA

Quiet, composed, and orderly. The clean-lined design is sophisticated and unadorned, with a simple elegance and sense of purpose.



ELMHURST

Quality and craftsmanship are apparent in the Elmhurst Collection. Its architectural influence allows it to adapt to both traditional and contemporary settings.



TRINITY HALL

This classic line embodies a sense of pedigree that integrates the needs of today and tomorrow. Trinity Hall was designed to feel right at home in nearly any traditional library setting.