



Application:
High School

Location:
Union Grove, WI

Products:
SL-17 FRP Doors

Special-Lite Customer:
Quality Door & Hardware

Special-Lite Sales Representative:
Donald A. Loss Associates

Fewer Maintenance Headaches, Better Security, and Reduced Heating Loads.

As it is with most schools, maintenance and operating budgets at Union Grove School District, in Union Grove, Wisconsin, are spread pretty thin these days. Fortunately, Kurt Jorgensen, Director of Operations & Facilities at Union Grove High School, found a way to save time and money, while at the same time improving security, by specifying Special-Lite FRP Doors.

Like so many other school systems, the Union Grove district's experience with SL-17 FRP Doors started with just one door, years ago. The hollow metal frame in that opening rusted away over time, but the door was still fine. Based on his experience with that door, Kurt was able to talk the school board into using Special-Lite FRP Doors when all exterior doors were replaced in a recent renovation. Hollow metal doors were being considered, but he was able to convince them that maintenance would be excessive.

Discrete Access Control Improves Security

When Kurt learned that Special-Lite can locate proximity card readers inside an FRP door, protecting it from weather and tampering, he specified that option on nine of the new doors. As Kurt put it, “that’s one less thing for kids to mess with. High school kids will find stuff to mess with.” Kurt also has built in door position sensors so he can tell whenever a door is opened or has been propped open by a student.

Reduced Heating Loads Attributed to New Doors

Since all exterior doors were replaced with Special-Lite FRP Doors, Kurt said he could tell that the boilers are running less. On a cold December morning he noticed only one boiler was running, where before there would have been four running. According to Kurt, “I can tell by the temperature in the hallways, and teachers are saying that they are warmer. I’m turning down the temperature in their rooms. It is amazing.” Kurt attributes these changes to the replacement of the exterior doors with Special-Lite SL-17 FRP Doors.

When summing up his decision to insist on Special-Lite Doors, Kurt said “I’m glad we did it. It’s one less headache. I know the doors are going to close every time.”



Doors opening out to athletic facilities see heavy traffic and frequent abuse.



Proximity card readers located inside the door keep them out of sight, and out of trouble.



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