

OXBRIDGE ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

UNINCORPORATED PALM BEACH COUNTY and WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

UDS has worked with the Oxbridge Academy since its founding. The firm led the consultant team that gained zoning and site plan approvals for the conversion of the 54-acre former Jewish Community Center site. Oxbridge Academy was envisioned by its founders to be a center of excellence for a state-of-the-art academic, athletic and arts campus. Originally a community center and day care with adjacent offices and a private day school, UDS quickly processed the necessary applications so that the main building could be renovated and open to students in the fall of 2011. As enrollment surpassed



original expectations, UDS provided additional planning services which added two classroom expansions, an expansion to the gymnasium, a multipurpose sports field, reconfiguration of the girls' softball field and enlargement of the lake. UDS also provided site and landscape design and construction coordination for the +40 acre Main Campus located within unincorporated Palm Beach County, Florida.

With the success of the Oxbridge Academy in Palm Beach County, the private high school constructed new athletic fields and bleachers for its students and fans. Urban Design Studio gained the approvals necessary to allow the conversion of an unbuilt residential development, adjacent to and north of the school, to create a +13 acre Sports Complex, within the limits of the City of West Palm Beach.

UDS provided planning, site planning and landscape design services to process approvals for the Oxbridge Academy athletic complex. Athletic fields and other site improvements were planned in three phases. Phase 1 consists of an artificial turf game field designed for football, soccer and lacrosse with bleachers to accommodate the home and visitor team spectators. Phase 2 includes a natural turf multi-sport practice field and Phase 3 a high school baseball field. Phase 1 and Phase 2 were completed in late 2013.

Planning for a rapidly developing and dynamic high school campus has allowed UDS to work closely with the administrators and athletic director of Oxbridge Academy to implement their vision and expedite development. This approach proved both time-efficient and cost-effective for Oxbridge Academy.

Client: Oxbridge Academy of the Palm Beaches
Site Area: 40.72 acres
Contractor: Hedrick Brothers Construction

Engineer: Wantman Group
Architect: Glidden Spina & Partners
Sportsfield Lighting: Musco

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