

Just in time: Mercy College Opens

The new Bronx Campus of Mercy College was recently completed on schedule, just one year after the lease for the 125,000 s/f property was signed, according to Kenneth Levien, president of Levien & Company, the project manager for the multi-million dollar project.

Mercy's new campus, located at the Hutchinson Metro Center in the Westchester Square section of the Bronx, has 54 classrooms, an auditorium that seats 162, a library, a 350-seat cafeteria, a technology wing, a learning center, a computer lab and administrative offices. The facility can accommodate approximately 4,500 students.

Levien & Co. together with CB Richard Ellis's Robair Reichenstein, aided Mercy College administration in its search for a new location after the original Bronx campus had outgrown its 50,000 s/f facility at 50 Antin Place. That campus was operating beyond capacity, with 3,000 students and 34 classrooms. The lease for the new space was signed in January 2003, construction started in July and classes began in January of this year.

"We are very proud of this project," said Mr. Levien. "That we were able to stick to the tight timetable and create this learning environment is a testament to the team effort put forth by the architects, the construction crew, and Bronx Dean Harvey Kaye of Mercy College, who was involved with the project from start to finish. The end result of that commitment is an impressive new campus for students and faculty."

Architects for the project were Magnusson Architecture and Planning PC and The Phillips Group. Lehr Construction served as construction manager.



Rendering of Proposed Mercy College - Lobby
Magnusson Architecture and Planning PC

