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### El Segundo High School

**T**he four-year, three-phase, \$49-million restoration of El Segundo High School in El Segundo, Calif., was completed in August in time for the start of the 2005-06 school year.

The classroom buildings and library were restored to match the school's original 1927 design and feature retrofit windows with modern innovations, says R.C. Goyal, vice president and general manager of supplier Graham Blast Mitigation Products, part of Graham Architectural Products of York, Pa.

The requirements for the project were energy efficiency, sound control, solar-energy control, windows to match the original windows and operable windows for ventilation, Goyal says.

The windows feature 1-inch low-emissivity insulating glass units. To replicate the originals, many are fixed- and

awning-style with divided-lite muntins and arch tops and feature a historically accurate, pre-set panning system.

"They considerably updated the aesthetic appearance and kept to the architectural detail," says Erin Zatezalo, project manager from Queen City Glass Co. of Palm Springs, Calif.; Anshen & Allen of Los Angeles served as the architect, and C.W. Driver of Pasadena, Calif., general contractor. Each phase employed a different installer: Artesia Glass of Artesia, Calif., for the first phase; Advanced Mission Glass of Fontana, Calif., for the second; and Queen City Glass, for the third.

In addition to restoring the school for aesthetic purposes, Goyal advances another motivation. "They used to shoot many movies at the school compound," he says. "This restoration could get the movie business back for them." **g**

