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RIVIERA SCHOOL
KELSEYVILLE, CALIFORNIA
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Client

Kelseyville Unified School
District
(707) 279-1511

Grade span

K-6

Current building capacity

600

Current building area

29,850 square feet

Total project costs

\$3.5 million

Cost per square foot

\$126

Space per student

49 square feet

Cost per student

\$5,840

Completion date

September 1995

The desire to take advantage of the beautiful climate in Kelseyville, Calif., while educating students, produced the floor plan at Riviera School, featuring courtyards in front of each classroom. Each classroom's courtyard is sheltered by a trellis, partially covered to provide protection from inclement weather. The site



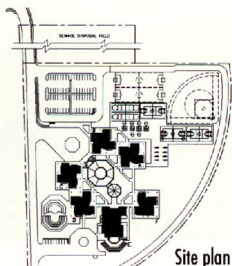
Exterior



Gymnasium



Classroom



Site plan

plan creates a village-like atmosphere, with the multi-purpose room at the center of activities. Grading was designed to take full advantage of the site and provide interesting visual effects, including outdoor spaces such as the amphitheater where performances can take place in open air.

To allow for greater flexibility and inevitable changes in the future, the architect designed a free-span space within each pavilion housing four classrooms. Natural ventilation is achieved by locating operable clerestory windows in each classroom. Building materials were chosen based on their low maintenance and budget considerations. This project was fully funded by the Office of Public School Construction in California. ■