

Lakefield

COLLEGE SCHOOL

In Reference to J. D. Strachan Construction Limited,

J. D. Strachan was chosen as the General contractor of our Global Information Resource Center. This center included music, art, photography darkrooms, and regular classrooms on the first level and a large library, two computer labs and multi-media room on the second. The entire project was about 17, 000 sq.ft. and required some sound proofing depending on the use of the adjacent areas. The construction included a steel beam and deck skeleton with poured concrete floors, concrete block walls with stucco exterior and drywall ceilings. The work included attaching the new structure to an existing older structure.

We found J. D. Strachan to be accommodating and cooperative during this process. The fact that the construction was done around students and staff during the school year, and a summer camp lends credence to their ability to adapt to our particular needs. The construction was accomplished through one of the coldest winters in recent memory which caused some delay. J. D. Strachan's site superintendent was equipped with the expertise to adapt to changes to the building during the construction phase. There was good support from the company as a whole.

Site meetings were informative, productive and civil at all times. Challenges were met with a team effort. Our concerns were addressed, as well as those of the engineers and architect, expediently and with a will to produce a good product.

Sub-contractors included block layers, roofers, steel workers, HVAC/mechanical/plumbing, electricians, drywallers/plasterers, carpet/tile layers, painters, etc.. Scheduling became difficult during the cold winter but was handled as well as could be expected and with our needs in mind (i.e. working around exam schedules etc.).

Construction was started in the summer of 1993 and substantially completed in the fall of 1994. Deficiencies were duly noted and attended to. These deficiencies were few in number and easily corrected. If a sub needed to be called back J. D. Strachan did so and ensured corrections were properly executed.

I do not hesitate in recommending J. D. Strachan for any project and would use them again. Please feel free to call if you need any further details.

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