



Case Study

Grange Technology College – Bradford, West Yorkshire UK

Washfountains Help School Eliminate Costly Damage to Restrooms

Challenge

Grange Technology College is a specialist community school with 1800 students ages 11 to 19. As with many schools, The Grange is not unique in having problems with damage in its washrooms. One newer boy's washroom, in particular, had become a drain on the maintenance budget with fixtures and toilet partitions frequently needing replacement.

Headteacher Paul Burluraux decided working with the student council to get input from students might solve the problem. "Our students said the current facilities were outdated, in disrepair and not a pleasant place to visit," said Burluraux. "They wanted restrooms to feel modern and stylish, not institutional. We felt that creating a better ambience, in tune with students' expectations, would affect their attitudes about our restrooms."



Solution

A number of options were considered for the handwashing area. Melanie Royale, the school's facility manager, was looking for a fixture to complement the other sleek finishes in the new washroom, and remembered reading about a washfountain from Bradley Corp. She worked with her local product sales representative at Relcross Limited to select the appropriate solution.

"As soon as we saw the specifications for the Sentry Stainless Steel Washfountain, we knew we had found what we were looking for," Royale said. "Sentry Washfountains are modern looking and a little out of the ordinary, which certainly satisfied the students' requirements. The washfountain concept also met our need for a heavy-duty fixture and a need to conserve water."

User and Environmentally Friendly

Just two of Bradley's Sentry Washfountains provide the equivalent of six individual sinks, but with fewer plumbing connections. Each semi-circular washfountain like the ones at The Grange can accommodate three or four users at the same time.

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Washfountains handle high-traffic handwashing applications by providing more usable space per square foot than conventional lavatories. The Sentry Washfountain is barrier-free, making it convenient for all users to access the fixture. Push-button air metering or infrared control option are available for easy activation.

Easy to Install & Maintain

Installation is fast – a single fixture requires only one water and waste connection. Designed for heavy-industrial applications, washfountains stand up to high traffic and are easily cleaned. Sentry Washfountains also help lower operating costs because they use less water and less energy than a bank of individual fixtures.

"We've had no problems at all with the washfountains, and we couldn't be more pleased," added Royale. "There's no doubt students are showing the washroom more respect. In fact, the girls are jealous and are lobbying for us to give their washrooms similar treatment."



Heavy-duty stainless steel washfountains are extremely durable, and the supplies and waste valves are concealed within the pedestals.