



THE AMERICAN SCHOOL IN SWITZERLAND

HISTORY OF THE MASTER PLAN

In 1996, TASIS engaged classical architect and urban designer David Mayernik to develop a Master Plan for the TASIS campus. The result is a long-term plan tailored not only to the needs of our School, but which also serves as a model for the world as an ideal academic community. The guiding idea of the Master Plan is to create a village environment to foster a sense of community, complete with green spaces, open piazzas, and beautiful, multifunctional buildings. The Plan also places sustainable development at the forefront. TASIS has since become renowned as an example and advocate of sustainable campus design, including certification from Swiss Hydro for using only renewable hydroelectric power on our campus.

- **1999** The Palestra opens with student common room; dance, fitness, music studios; multi-use gymnasium with NBA-style hardwood maple floor.
- **2000** Campus expands by 40% with Master Plan extended to the north. Villa Del Sole is renovated into a dormitory.
- **2001** Ca' Pietra is renovated.
- **2004** M. Crist Fleming Library opens and wins the Palladio Award.
- **2005** Ca' Gioia is converted for art studios.
- **2006** Aurora opens, providing classrooms and a large multi-purpose room.
- **2007** Alba renovated for three classrooms.
- **2009** The John E. Palmer Cultural Center opens, with theater and arts spaces.
- **2010** Lanterna (dorms, faculty apartments, common room, health center, four classrooms) and Fiammetta (four classrooms) open.
- **2012** The Ferit Şahenk Fine Arts Center opens with painting, architecture, photography, and ceramics studios above the Palestrina practice gym.
- **2014** Campo Science Center opens with eight state-of-the-art laboratories, three prep rooms, and two general-use classrooms.

FUTURE OF THE MASTER PLAN

- **2019** Valzonico Elementary School Classroom Building
- **2020** Hadsall East Terrace ES Classrooms
- **2021** Three-story garage
- **2021** Tunnel under Via Collina d'Oro connecting East & West campuses
- **2023** Corona I & II Music and Student Centers, classrooms, and dormitory.
- **2024** Sports field and piazzas
- **2025** Maintenance and van parking
- **2026** Swimming pool and changing rooms
- **2027** Hadsall north circulation tower & interiors
- **2028** Hadsall ES south wing

The TASIS Global Village is an internationally recognized leader in stewardship and sustainability. Completing the Global Village requires dedication, hard work, and financial support over many years. The challenge is enormous and exciting! Since its founding in 1956, TASIS has established its reputation as the oldest and finest American boarding school in Europe, and as we realize our Global Village Master Plan we also have the most beautiful campus in Europe: a shining light for Ticino and a proud expression of America's contributions to international culture.

Lynn Fleming Aeschliman,

Chairman of the Board of Directors
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