

De La Salle College



Enter to Learn. Leave to Serve.

DE LA SALLE

Welcome to Del!

Catholic schools are an extension of the mission of the universal Church. They communicate Jesus Christ and help to form young peoples into the full person according to the message of the Gospel. As such Catholic schools help Catholic families and other people of faith to discover life's true meaning and foster new hopes today and in the future for young people.

This mission is an integral part of the Lasallian educational tradition at De La Salle College. Our schools are characterised by a quality education and by an explicit proclamation of the Gospel. Our school community brings young people of different backgrounds and cultures together to discover their best selves by learning about competence, compassion and commitment. These pillars allow students to become persons of faith, intellect and integrity.

De La Salle College has enjoyed since 1851 a remarkable academic reputation that has prepared young men and women for their futures. The school's motto is "Enter to learn; leave to serve". The educational vision of De La Salle College recognises that the school is a privileged place that promotes the school as a way of salvation.

We invite you to consider joining us if you believe that the values and virtues we promote are something you believe would be a gift for your child.

Brother Domenic, fsc

De La Salle President – 2010 to Present

De La Salle Principal – 1994 to 2010

Delegate to General Chapter of FSC's Rome 2000

Delegate to General Chapter of FSC's Rome 2007

President of the FSC Delegation of Toronto 2002 – 2007



(The whole school at our annual school-wide hug in association with Meagan's Hug)



De La Salle College History

The De La Salle Brothers arrived in Canada in 1837 before Confederation. By 1851 schools in Toronto had been established including the forerunner to the present-day De La Salle College. Previous locations on Richmond and York and then Adelaide (Duke Street) and Jarvis have long passed into history while the current location of the school which was opened August of 1931 survives to this day.

The thirteen acre property has remained mostly intact since the early days although many changes have taken place as well. Brother Alfred Dooner, a noted Canadian historian, recommended that the Brothers purchase the property as it had been abandoned during the height of the Depression. The Brothers undertook to borrow the funds and moved the school to the Oaklands property.

From 1931 when the school consisted of the now known “Heritage House” and a few makeshift edifices, it expanded in 1950 to include the school building which most are familiar with today. In 1958, a dormitory which is now the Music Hall to provide accommodations for the Brothers community. In 1967, the outdoor rink became the Del hockey arena. In 1988, a small parking lot was transformed into what is now the Science and Innovation Centre. In 2016, artificial turf was installed on the lower campus playing field where some property on the perimeter was sold to help raise funds for future capital projects.

In 1994, when the College became a private school after some years with the publicly-funded Catholic school system, the school also became co-educational, seeing its first female graduate in 1996. By 2020, with the pandemic in full swing the College made a decision to transition. In launching the new university style Flex-Mod scheduling system and renovating the Del Centre into the new Rocco L. Martino Innovation Centre, the College revitalized in a way that hadn't been seen since the mid-90's. Soon, with the arena being renovated as well, the College's transition will be complete!

De La Salle College is proud to be the only remaining Lasallian school in Canada after all these years and is thankful to remain a member of the Lasallian world-wide network of schools found in some eighty countries. Thanks to the recent developments and a staff and board driven to continue to grow, this school of over 170 years is here to stay and ready for the future of education.



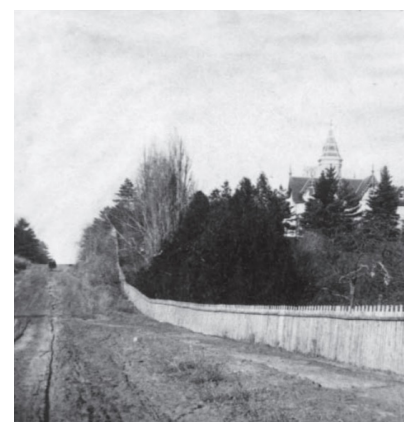
Our current campus' opening, 1931



The lower campus, 1924



The Heritage House, 1896



Avenue Road, 1860



(Del students visit La Salle Global in Rome, Summer 2022)

Lasallian Mission

De La Salle College is a Lasallian Catholic co-educational school devoted to fostering an academic and spiritual environment that nurtures students' faith and accompanies the child on a Catholic faith journey. The curriculum is designed to infuse the Catholic gospel values and impart the message of mission and service across the breadth of our students' studies.



Our Founder, St John Baptist De La Salle



Lasallian Core Principles

The Lasallian educational tradition as expressed and lived at De La Salle College is an extension of the apostolic mission of the Catholic Church. As part of one of the largest educational networks in the world, the Lasallian mission can be found in over 110 schools and ministries just in the United States and Canada. Since 1680, educational institutions in more than 80 countries today have been influenced by the vision and innovative spirit of St. John Baptist de La Salle, the Founder of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools and Patron Saint of All Teachers.

A De La Salle Grad...

- Will have an intellectual, spiritual and social foundation based on the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- Will have a level of literacy in writing and speech that reflects both deep and original thought
- Will foster a lifestyle of compassion, humility and justice that contributes to the virtue of the world as well as to its power
- Will think critically, competently and ethically and apply what has been learned here to real life
- Will demonstrate self-discipline in demeanor and organisation in all responsibilities and personal accountability for learning
- Will approach their studies with a strong sense of academic integrity
- Will be aware of Canada's unique position in an interdependent world
- Will present themselves with a confidence that never becomes arrogance, with security that never becomes haughtiness, and with compassion that never becomes condescension



(Each morning as part of assembly, our community comes together for prayer and reflection)

Faith at Del

“Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and the conviction of things we do not see.” (Hebrews 11:1)

From the very beginning of the establishment of the Christian schools by St. John Baptist De La Salle and the early Brothers the school has been viewed as a means of salvation. It is, therefore, a fundamental aspect of our school community to encourage all its members – students, teachers, support staff and parents, to grow into closer union with the Blessed Trinity by viewing all things with the eyes of faith.



Religion in the Classroom



Retreats



Works of Service

Our Lasallian Catholic identity instructs the human child and serves to touch the heart and mind of each student. Our pastoral accompaniment demonstrates an unwavering commitment to serve our students beyond the facilitation of academic success. Our focus on Catholic student life and Lasallian principles helps to prepare our students to be of service to the local, national, and global community as students and graduates.

Admission to De La Salle embraces all students and our faith tradition offers a compulsory Catholic faith-based curriculum to all our students through religious instruction, liturgies, class masses, religious celebrations, retreats, service projects and Lasallian/Catholic Ministry programming.





(Grade 5 Students receiving their certificates for completing their French curriculum for the year)

Academics in the Junior School

De La Salle's Junior School students are afforded the opportunity to develop strong work habits and forge friendships within a nurturing, disciplined, and Faith-based environment. Learning from teachers who specialize in their subject areas, students from grades 5 – 8 are challenged academically and inspired to become life-long learners. Our strong academic program and wide-ranging co-curricular opportunities allow our students to develop to their full potential.



Daily Recess



18:1 Student to Teacher Ratio



Co-Educational Learning

Foundational Programs

Core Subjects

Since the inception of the College, English, Math and Faith have been the core subjects of our Junior School program. Our School schedule is built around these core subjects as students receive instruction in them every day.

Co-Curriculars

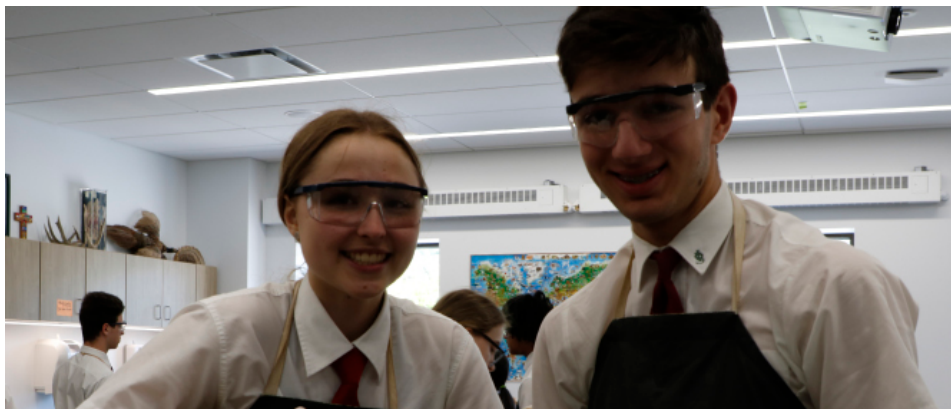
Junior School students are provided the opportunity to participate in a variety of after school clubs and sports. The goal of these activities is to help develop our students into well-rounded, passionate young-adults.

Reach Ahead

Students get the opportunity to accelerate through their current grade curriculum and advance to years above. For those who consistently go above and beyond, we allow them an outlet to achieve their academic goals.

Computer Program

The Computer Science and Technology program in the junior school aims to allow students to approach technology with confidence and comfort while giving them transferable skills such as coding, design and more.



Academics in the Senior School

With our dynamic and versatile Flex-Mod programming, students are able to cater studies to their unique learning styles and interests within a caring, disciplined, and Faith-filled environment. Our high school students are challenged academically, while being encouraged to work both collaboratively and independently.

The Flex Mod System

This model more closely resembles the course schedule that our students may encounter in university. Classes are scheduled throughout the week featuring varying times and sizes depending on the needs of the subject. During the day, a student will experience one of three things:

Independent Learning Time (ILT)



During their ILT, students will have the opportunity to take advantage of Office Hours, Open Gym, Chapel, Group Study, Independent Study and more. It's up to them!

Lecture



In lecture, students will experience a traditional instructional address from their teacher. These are usually larger groups and allow for more students to experience the course.

Labs/Discussion Groups



In labs students will get to directly apply what they learned in lecture. Similarly in discussion groups, students will experience a seminar style smaller group class where they can dive into the deeper aspects of learning.

“Our goal in introducing Flexible Modular Scheduling (Flex Mod) at the College is to enhance our students’ preparation for life, work and service to society and the apostolic mission of the Church through an added sense of independence in their studies.”- Mr. Voutsinos, Vice Principal, Director of Student Services



Advanced Placement



As part of De La Salle’s commitment to a balanced liberal arts program, the College offers many College Board approved, Advanced Placement (AP) courses. The AP Program enriches and encourages critical thinking, promotes creative thought, and fine-tunes analytical skills while stretching students’ reasoning ability.

In 2022 90% of De La Salle AP Students score a 3 or Higher

About 250 APs are written annually by De La Salle Students



(Music students perform Oh Canada each morning in-front of the school at assembly)

Fine Arts

The Fine Arts Department at De La Salle College believes that academics and the arts are equally important to student development and achievement. We recognize that the fine arts are a vital component in the development of the whole child. We see every student as an emerging artist.

Fine arts education offers a unique learning opportunity to explore individual creativity, artistic self-expression, self-discipline, group dynamics, critical thinking, and cultural awareness.

Visual and Media Arts



Visual and Media art students are expected to gain proficiency in visual literacy through a program designed to balance learning and practicing both the technical and conceptual aspects of art-making.

Theatre



A Del Drama student will explore the diversity of theatre and its intersection with community, culture, faith and society.

Music



Music students engage creatively with musical concepts by identifying and applying collaboration and communication skills to create, rehearse, perform and evaluate music.

Fine Arts Program Highlights

Some annual highlights of our fine arts program include the Graduate Art Exhibition, Theatre De La Salle Production, Band Concerts and more!

Athletics



At both the Junior School and Senior School levels, the school offers a large variety of individual and team sports spread out over three seasons to give students ample opportunity to get involved and compete against other schools in the Conference of Independent Schools Athletic Association (CISAA).



Co-Curriculars

The Co-curricular Program at De La Salle College is a fundamental component to achieving the goal in our mission statement of spiritual, intellectual, artistic, and physical growth for our students. Experiential learning is a vital part to character development and therefore we offer a wide range of activities for our students to participate in.

Clubs



Every student at the college is encouraged to participate in at least two extra-curricular activities per year. Whether it be performing onstage in a dramatic production, painting in art club, or competing in debate, every student has an opportunity to find an activity they love.



How to Apply

1. Apply

Head to our website and click the link: [APPLY NOW](#)

2. Application Fees

- \$150 per student. Includes Application fee and exam registration fee

3. Upload the following supplementary documents:

- Two most recent June Final Report Cards
- November Progress Report Card (of application year)
- EQAO results from grade 3 or 6 or grade 4 or 7 CAT

4. Submit additional documents

- Student Profile - completed by a current or previous teacher
- Student Reference Letter – completed by a teacher, principal, coach, or religious leader

5. Student Interview

- Once the two June Report Cards AND student profile are received, the student will be contacted to set-up an in-person interview
- Each applicant will be asked to prepare an answer from our Student Questionnaire which must be presented at the interview. The student will choose one of two questions.

6. Entry exam

- *Grade 5 *one date only*
 - Saturday, December 10, 2022
- Grade 7, 8, 9 *three possible dates
 - *Saturday, October 15, 2022 *early admissions consideration*
 - *Saturday, November 12, 2022*
 - *Saturday, December 3, 2022*

Note: Parents must confirm an exam date by email

7. Decision

- Parent(s) will be notified of a decision by phone and email
 - Students applying to the College can have one of three situations occur:
 - A. Receive an offer of admission
 - B. Be placed on the waitlist
 - C. Be declined
 - If a student is offered acceptance, the parent(s) will be given 5 business days to accept or decline the offer
 - Students who are placed on the waitlist must inform the college of their intent to either remain on the list or to be removed.
 - Students who are declined are welcome to apply again for the following year.
- * Offers will be sent the third week of December*



Important Admissions Information

Important Dates

Tuesday, September 6

Applications available for 2023-24 online

Monday, October 17

Weekly campus tours begin until March

Friday, December 2

Final deadline to submit applications for 2023-2024 school year

Wednesday, October 12

DEL Open House

Saturday, November 12- 2nd Date

Grade 7,8,9 - Entrance Exam

Saturday, December 3- 3rd date

Grade 7,8,9 - Entrance Exam

Saturday, October 15 - 1st Date

Grade 7,8,9 - Entrance Exam

Friday, November 18

Deadline for bursary applications

Saturday, December 10

Grade 5 - Entrance Exam

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the main entry years for admission?

The College currently has students in grades 5-12, however, our main entry years are grades 5, 7 and 9. We accept applications for all other grades, but they will not be considered until current students have re-registered for the upcoming school year in mid-February.

Can students in grades 10-12 apply?

Yes, students may apply to grades 10, 11 and 12. They must first contact the Admissions Office in mid-February of the year they wish to attend. Off-entry year students are only offered acceptance as a spot(s) becomes available.

Is an interview required for applicants?

Students applying to De La Salle College are required to attend an interview. Parents will be contacted by the Admissions Office to arrange an interview for their child. Interviews are usually 30-45 minutes.

Is financial assistance available?

Financial assistance is available to students in the form of scholarships and bursaries on a need basis only. All scholarships and bursaries must be renewed annually. Please contact the Office of Admissions for more information.

Do you provide bus service to and from De La Salle?

Parents are responsible for making their own transportation arrangements. Many students use public transportation or carpool with other families. Currently, there are two school buses arranged through Luna Bella Transportation Inc. with pickups in the Woodbridge area. Their phone number is 416-420-8873.

Will students applying to De La Salle have to write an entrance exam?

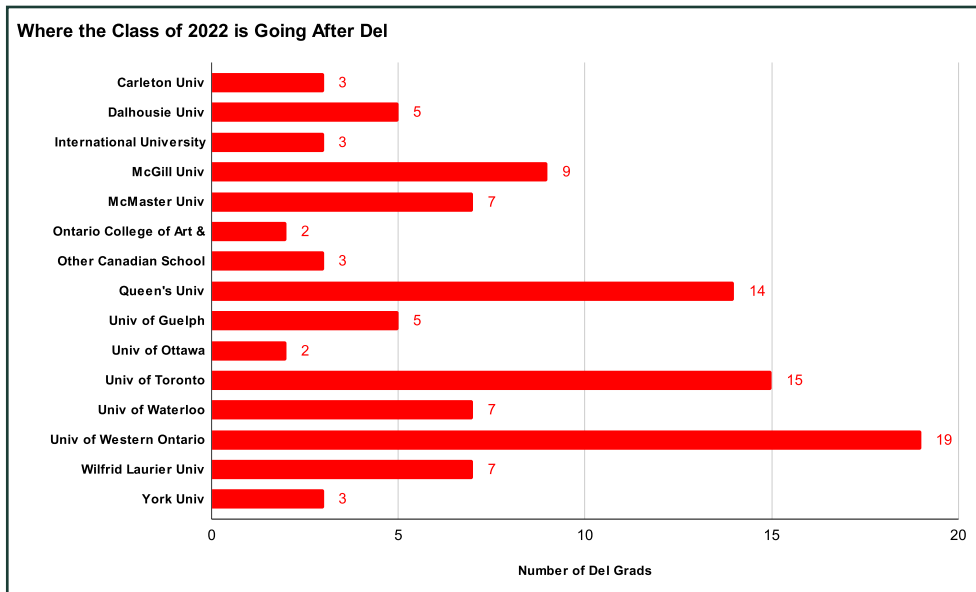
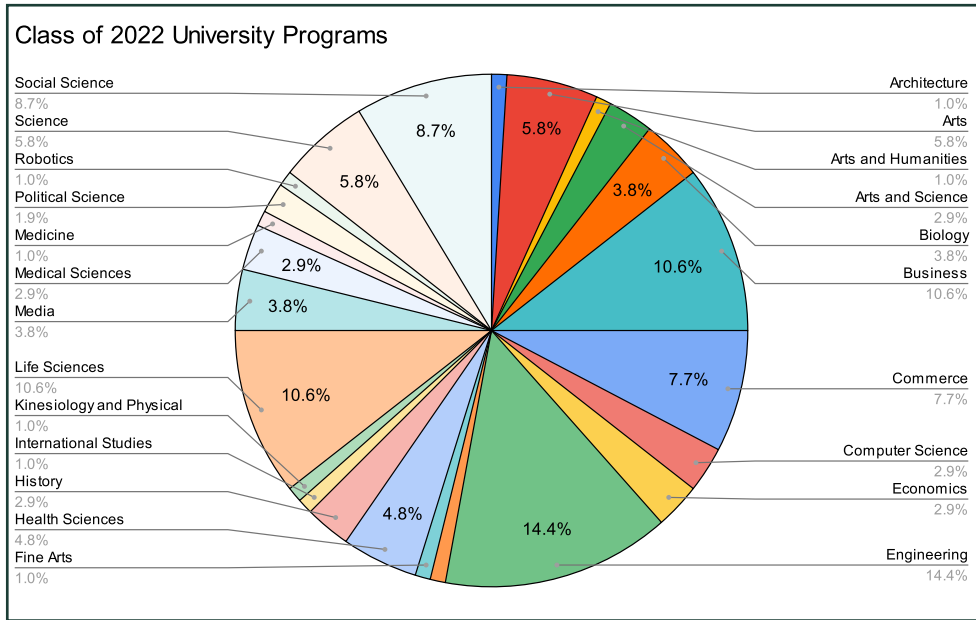
Yes, all grade levels will have to write an entrance exam. Please contact the Office of Admissions for more information.



Class of 2022

On Wednesday June 22nd, we got to celebrate our Class of 2022. This is the 171st Graduating Class in the history of the College.

Below is some information on the Class and where they're headed after Del!





“To say Del meant the world to me, would be quite the understatement. It gave me the most authentic friendships and it helped me see and be confident in what I can offer to the world”

- Jenna Payette

McGill University- Biological, Biomedical, Life Sciences



“Del to me since fifth grade has always meant family... Each and every one of my classmates became my family. We understand each other in the way a Del student only could”

- Cara Loganadhan

Manhattan College- O’Malley Business



What did Del mean to you?

Some of our class of 2022 members share what the school and their experiences here meant to them



“The Catholic education at De La Salle really taught me the importance of discipline and community. It opened my eyes to the potential that God instilled in us to excel and bring glory to his name, and that fulfilling our true potential was best achieved through a healthy level of discipline”

- Abeiku Kwegyir Darkwa

University of Waterloo- Mechanical Engineering



“Del teachers were always available to answer questions and have discussions about religion and faith regardless of whether such questions emanated from material covered in the curriculum or beyond. That environment allowed me to gain a better understanding about my faith and inspired me to engage in self-study on various topics ”

- Daniel Enrico Fatigati

University of St Andrews, Scotland



Living wall



State of the art labs



Lecture hall

Introducing the Rocco L. Martino Science and Innovation Centre

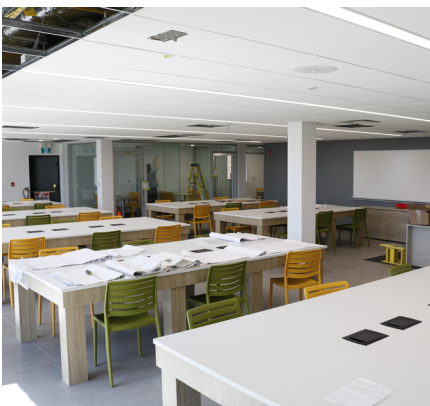
After starting construction in the Spring of 2021, the Rocco L. Martino Innovation Centre is now complete!

Originally built in the 1980's as a retreat centre and used for classroom space after privatization, it has now been repurposed as a state-of-the-art facility for the College's current and future students. With the help of professors at the University of Toronto, it features four labs designed for university-level coursework.

Some other special features of the building include:

- 1 lecture room
- 6 collaborative spaces
- The science department's new office
 - 96 lockers
 - A living wall
 - 2 digital screens
 - 1 computer lab
 - 1 research centre
- A quiet workspace for students
 - And much more!

The aptly named Innovation Centre will provide students with a unique opportunity on their own campus to prepare for post-secondary STEM programs. It will also give students multiple places to research and collaborate for other courses in a university-style setting.



Research Centre



Group study space



Our new home for science

Introducing the John Hunt Student Life Centre

Much like how the Science and Innovation Centre provided not just state of the art facilities but also opportunities for our students to learn and grow in ways never seen before on campus, the new Health and Wellness Centre will do the same.

The goal of the Centre will be to give our students opportunities and spaces to develop in a ultra-modern way. Not only will their schedules give them a university-style experience but now with this building pairing with the Innovation Centre, our campus will feature multiple elite, post-secondary quality facilities.

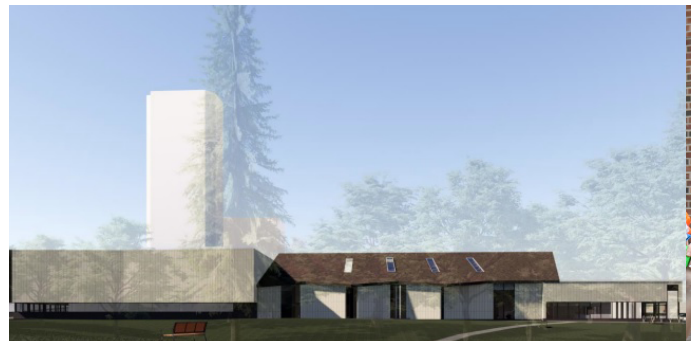
To further explain the importance this building will have for our campus, here is a list of amenities it will feature:

- Field House gymnasium
 - *Can be divided into 2 full size high school gyms)
- Upper Level Viewing Area
- 1 Exercise/Cardio/Weight Room
- Student Services Office
- 6 Changerooms
- Cafe
- Student Commons Area
- Staff room
- Writing Centre
- Student Gym lockers
- Sports Injuries Office
- 1 Lecture Hall (150 seats)
- Green roof garden

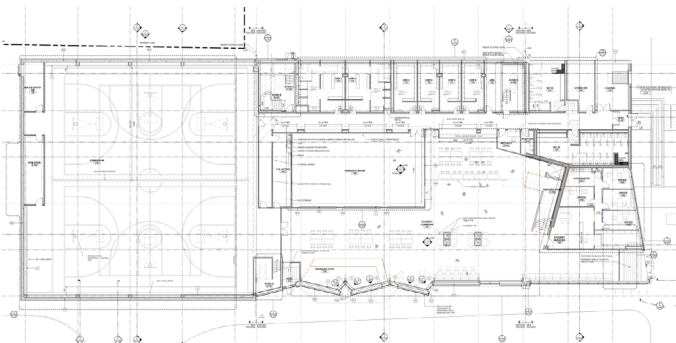
“The new John Hunt Student Life Centre will be a welcoming environment for all students to develop to their full potential and maximize their learning experience at Del.”- Mr. Lundy, Principal



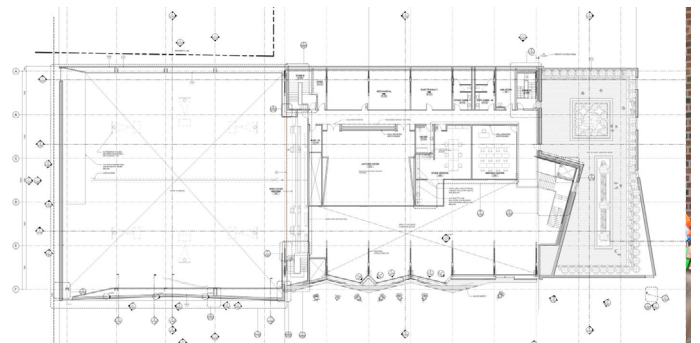
East View



South View



Ground Floor



Second Floor

Construction to begin: 2023

