



**HARVEY**  
COMMERCIAL SOLUTIONS

ST. AUGUSTINE ACADEMY

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**BACK TO SCHOOL  
WITH HARVEY COMMERCIAL SOLUTIONS**



**When the end-of-the-year school bell sounded in late June of 2013 at St. Augustine Academy, almost 1,000 students heaved a sigh of relief. At the same time, the team at White Home Products, Inc. immediately felt the pressure. Before the new school year started in just 10 short weeks, more than 220 custom-sized windows needed to be replaced.**

St. Augustine Academy is one of four campuses making up The Catholic Academy of Bridgeport in Connecticut. The classrooms are geared to educating elementary and middle school students in grades 4 - 8.

The structure of the Academy's brick building has served the educational community for many years. When leaders at the Academy decided to invest in more energy-efficient windows, they first had to hire an abatement company to remove the old windows, which had asbestos issues. Then they had to find a company to supply, order and install new windows. White Home Products, Inc. was up to the challenge because they had just the right window manufacturer in mind.

#### **DEPENDABILITY MATTERS**

"The clock was ticking on this project," says John J. White, Sr., president of White Home Products, Inc. out of Stratford, Connecticut. "The production schedule was extremely tight. Every time an old window was removed by the abatement company, we had to have the new window on site and ready to be installed the same day."

To handle the multiple window sizes needed plus stay on schedule, White turned to Harvey Commercial Solutions.

"We recommended Harvey windows to the Diocese for several reasons," says White. "Harvey's ability to custom design the windows needed was an extremely important element of this project. The Diocese wanted to make certain the new windows aesthetically mimicked the old windows. Consistency was critical, as was the need to create custom sizes.

"The demands didn't end there. We needed windows that would be highly-efficient, easy to maintain and be ready exactly when we required them to stay on schedule. With the amazing cooperation of the inside sales staff at Harvey Commercial Solutions we were able to stay on schedule and meet our deadline."

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John J. White  
President  
White Home Products, Inc



**SIMULATED  
DIVIDED LITES  
(SDL)**

## CHOREOGRAPHED INSTALLATION

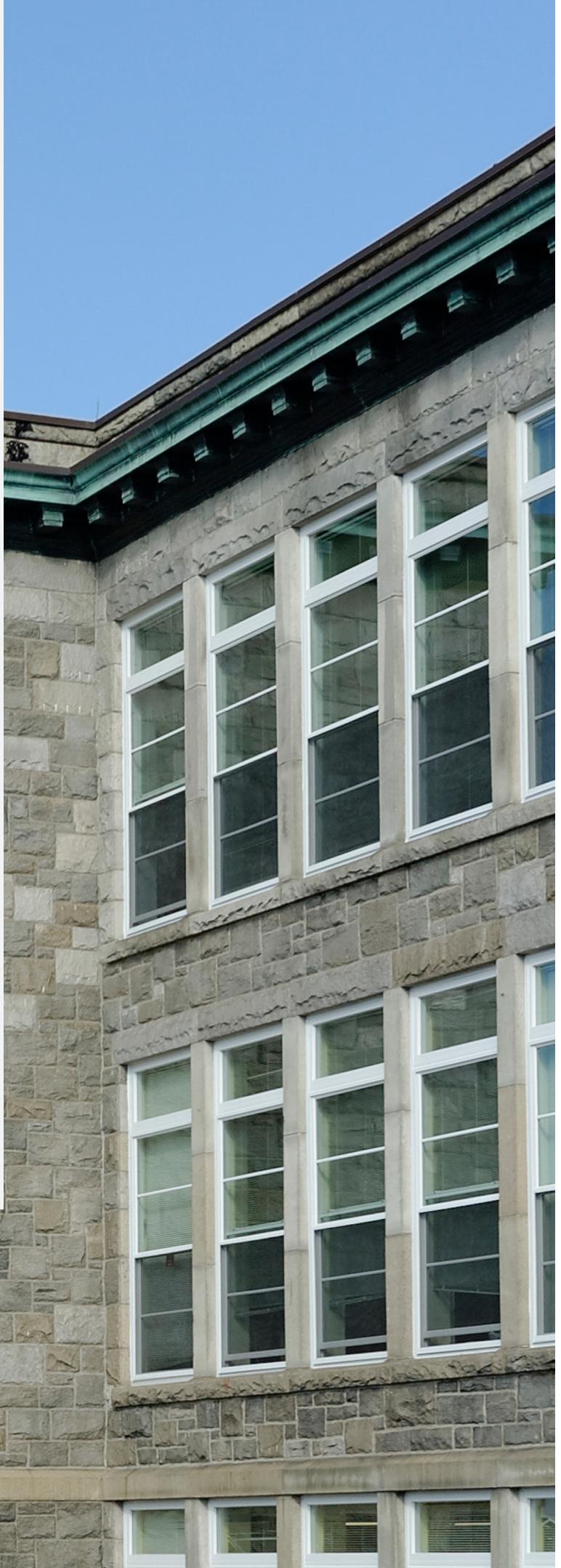
For the Academy project, custom Harvey Tribute® Commercial units were created with wide simulated divided lites and oriel sash split to duplicate the sightlines from replaced windows. Many of the units were structurally mullered at Harvey, where the company created a receptor system so the windows could fit comfortably into masonry openings.

Used in hotels, apartment and condominium projects, mixed-use and other commercial settings, Tribute Commercial premium vinyl windows are designed for a lifetime of worry-free performance.

Created with Low E and Argon filling for energy efficiency, the double-glazed windows were ordered with tempered glass and qualify for ENERGY STAR® ratings. 152 custom-made double-hung windows of various sizes were topped with picture windows for the project. In addition, several dozen double-hung windows were created.

"Imagine our challenge of installing almost 40 different sized replacement windows in conjunction with the abatement company removing the original windows," says White. "This was a choreographed operation. That's an average of more than 25 windows a week that had to accurately arrive on the jobsite and be installed in just a short timeframe.

"Quite simply it comes down to a trust issue. We trust Harvey Commercial Solutions to accurately meet our product needs. We trust they have the quality products and support we need to live up to the expectations of our clients. This project, like others we've worked on with Harvey, continued to build that trust and reinforce our relationship." ■





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