

Little Elm HS Additions And Renovation

Educational Steel Detailing Case Study



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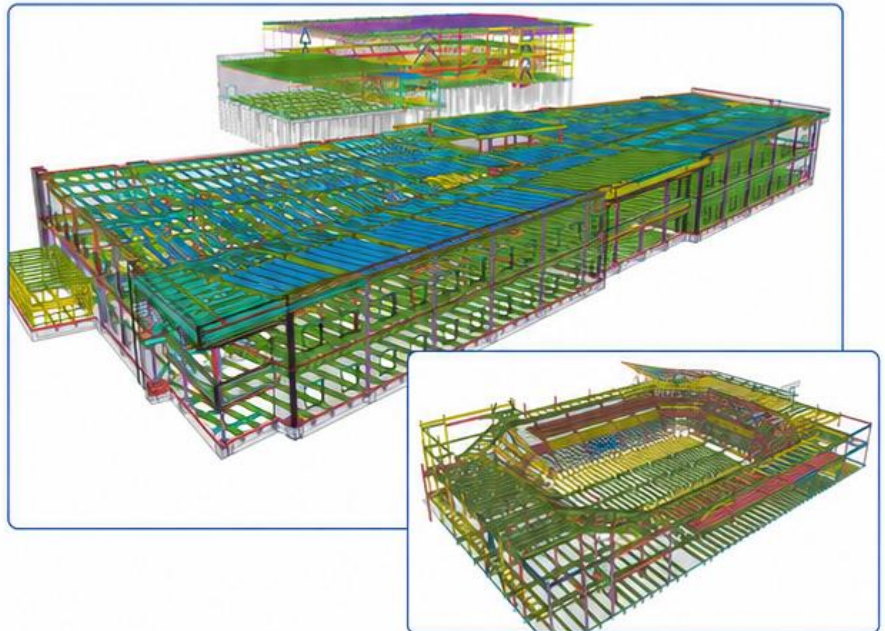


SCHEDULE
21 Weeks

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This educational building comprises multiple areas (A–F), each with three levels. Every floor includes sloped framing. Areas A and B are especially complex due to raker beams and sloped framing geometry.

Roof joists are used in Areas A, B, D, E and F, and Area A also includes an additional pop-up roof framing plan with joists. Coordination with the joist supplier and framing of sloped members were critical to project success.



PROJECT SNAPSHOT

Moldtek delivered precise main steel and miscellaneous steel detailing for this complex educational expansion—navigating sloped framing challenges, coordinating closely with joist suppliers, and managing time-sensitive RFIs to keep the project on track.



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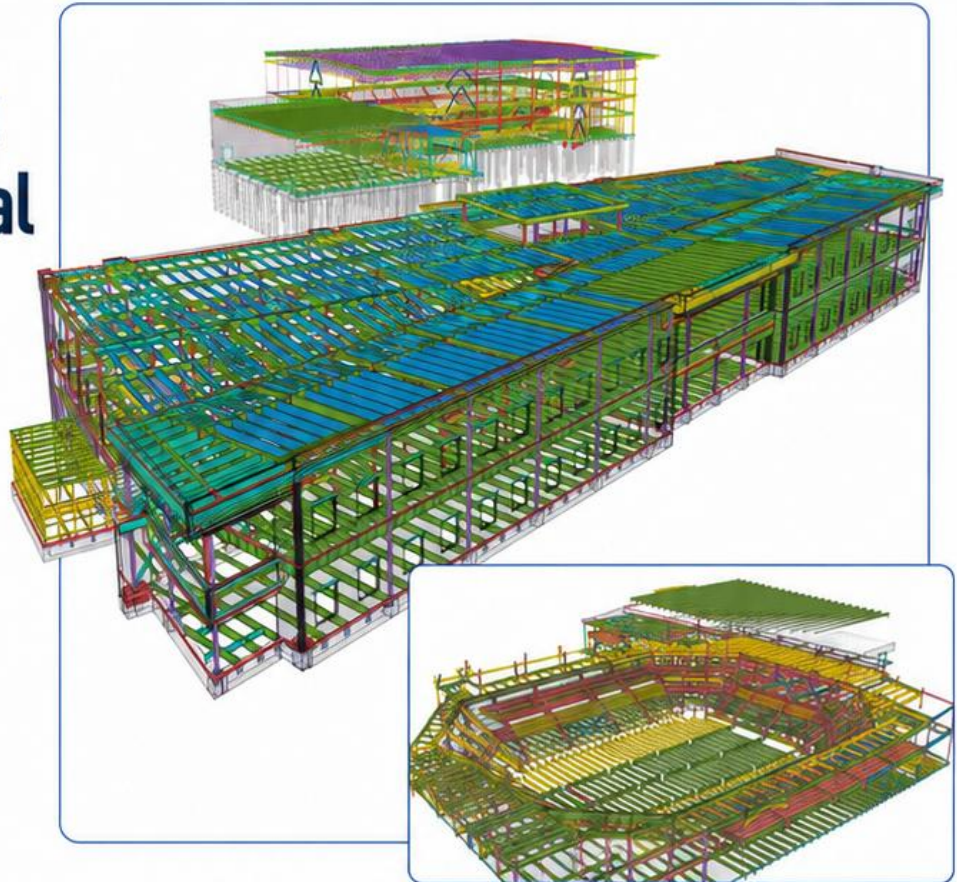
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Built for complex sloped educational steel delivery.

This educational building spans multiple areas, each with three levels, and features sloped framing on every floor to meet the architectural design intent.

Areas A and B are particularly complex due to raker beams and slope-driven framing geometry. Roof joists are used in Areas A, B, D, E, and F. Area A also includes an additional pop-up roof framing plan with joists.



PROJECT SNAPSHOT

- ✓ Educational building with multiple areas (A-F)
- ✓ Three levels across all areas
- ✓ Sloped framing on every floor
- ✓ Areas A & B feature raker beams and complex slope-driven geometry
- ✓ Roof joists used in Areas A, B, D, E, and F
- ✓ Area A includes an additional pop-up roof framing plan with joists



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Scope of Work

Scope of work across main steel, miscellaneous steel, joists and sloped framing coordination.



Main Steel

Moldtek's scope included all main steel modeling, detailing and shop drawings.



Miscellaneous Steel

All miscellaneous steel, including stairs, handrails and embeds, was modeled and detailed by Moldtek.



Roof Joists

Joist coordination was important across all roof framing areas for accurate spacing and placement.



Sloped Framing

Sloped framing was detailed and coordinated across all floors including roof levels.



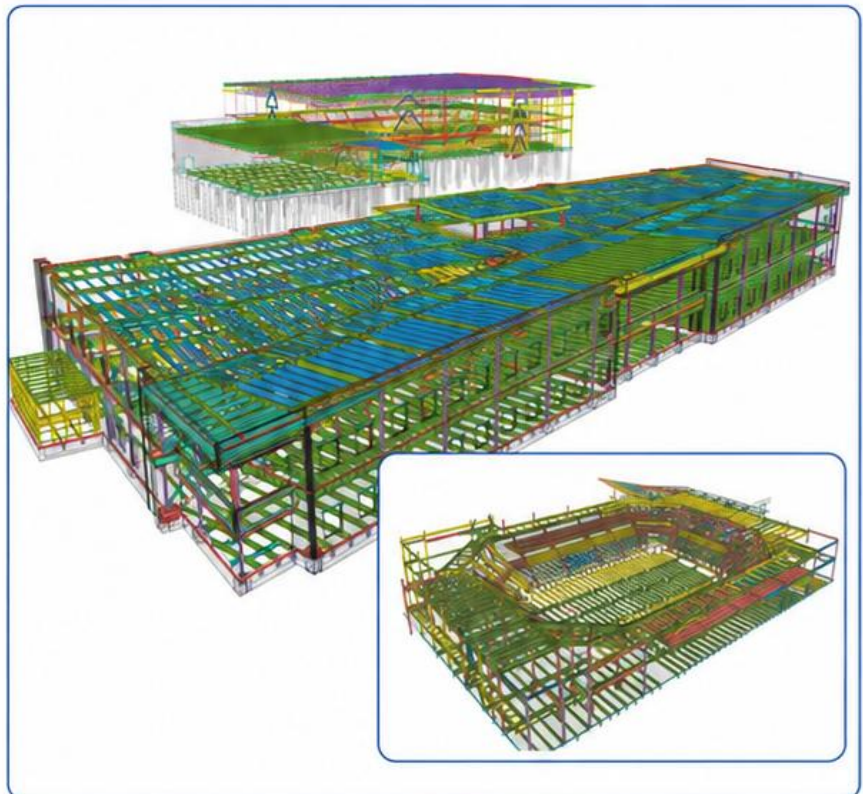
Raker Beam Connection Areas

Connections at sloped beams with rakers required careful coordination with other trades and disciplines.



Finish / Paint Management

All steel was fireproofed except the first floor, where shop primer was applied per project requirements.



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Sloped Framing /
Joist Coordination

DELIVERY APPROACH

01



Review Scope
& Requirements

02



Model
Framing

03



Coordinate
Joists

04



Resolve Raker /
Slope Conditions

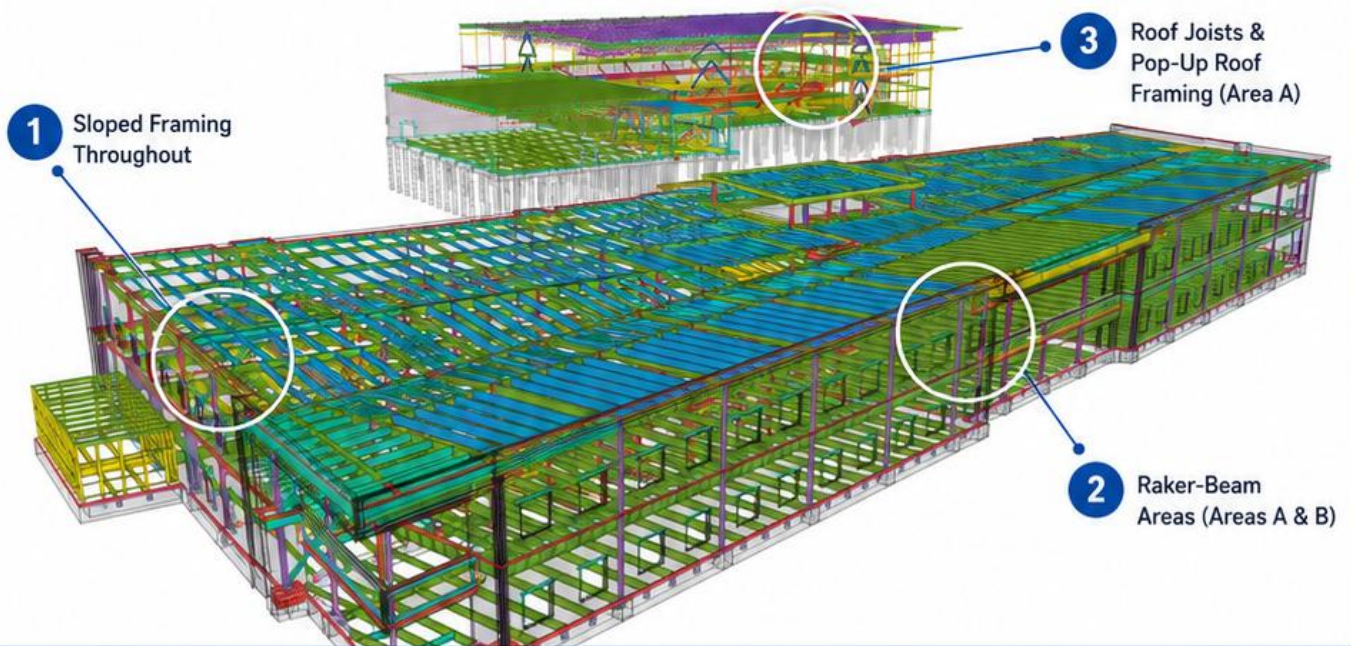
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Release
Drawings

COORDINATION CHALLENGES

Managing raker-beam geometry, joist coordination and sloped framing across a fast-track school project.



1 SLOPED FRAMING GEOMETRY
Extensive sloped framing throughout the project added significant complexity to steel detailing and coordination.

2 RAKER-BEAM CONDITIONS
Areas A and B included raker beams that required special attention for accurate modeling and detailing.

3 JOIST SUPPLIER COORDINATION
Roof joists and the pop-up roof framing in Area A required close coordination with the joist supplier to ensure fit-up and deliverability.

4 TRADE COORDINATION AT SLOPED CONNECTIONS
Connections at sloped beams with rakers required coordination with other trades to avoid conflicts and ensure constructability.

5 PROACTIVE RFI MANAGEMENT
The team proactively initiated RFIs to address coordination concerns within the given time frame and keep the project on track.

IMPACT & VALUE

Improved Clarity
Early identification of sloped framing and raker-beam challenges improved model accuracy and documentation clarity.

Better Coordination
Close collaboration with suppliers and other trades minimized conflicts and supported smooth execution.

Reduced Rework
Proactive issue resolution through RFIs reduced rework and on-site changes.

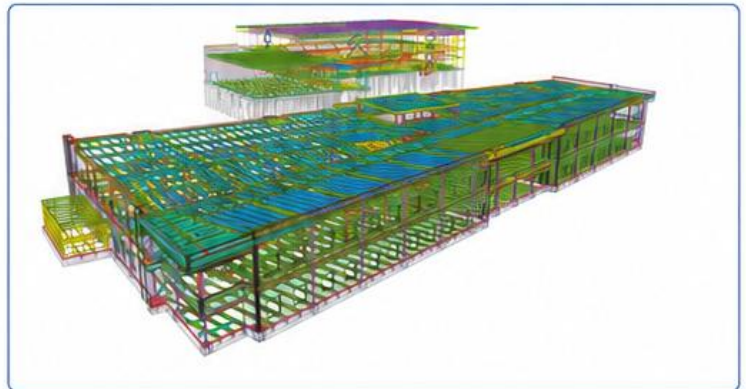
Delivery Readiness
Timely coordination and detailing ensured the project stayed aligned with the fast-track schedule.

DELIVERY FRAMEWORK

Coordinated steel detailing support across a 21-week programme.

Moldtek supported the Little Elm High School additions and renovation through comprehensive steel detailing and coordination services. Our team delivered accurate models, resolved site and design challenges, and ensured release-ready drawings on time.

- ✓ Moldtek supported delivery through modelling, joist coordination, RFI tracking, trade coordination, and release-ready detailing.
- ✓ Scope included main steel and miscellaneous steel.
- ✓ All steel was fireproofed except the first floor, where shop primer was used.
- ✓ Strong coordination with the joist supplier was essential.
- ✓ The team addressed sloped framing and raker-beam challenges while maintaining schedule.



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Main steel

Complete 3D modelling and detailing of structural steel including columns, beams, girders, bracing, and purlins.



Miscellaneous steel

Detailed modelling of stairs, railings, canopies, embed plates, supports, and other miscellaneous steel.



Joist coordination

Close coordination with the joist supplier to align reactions, bearing conditions, and framing geometry.



Drawing release / RFI management

RFI tracking, issue resolution, QA/QC, and release-ready drawings delivered on schedule.

21-WEEK PROGRAMME



01

Kickoff

Project alignment, scope review, and planning.



02

Inputs & setup

Receive inputs, standards review, and model setup.



03

Modelling

3D steel modelling and preliminary detailing.



04

Coordination

Trade coordination, joist integration, and clash checks.



05

QA/QC + RFIs

Quality checks, RFI tracking, and issue resolution.



06

Release-ready output

Release-ready drawings, GA sets, and model deliverables.

VALUE DELIVERED



✓ **Proactive coordination**
Minimized clashes and rework through early coordination and RFI management.

✓ **Complex framing handled**
Effectively addressed sloped framing, raker beams, and site-specific challenges without impacting the schedule.

✓ **Joist-supplier alignment**
Close alignment with the joist supplier ensured accurate reactions and smooth installation.

✓ **On-time, quality delivery**
Release-ready deliverables provided on schedule with high quality and accuracy.