

# Case Study

## Marion Community schools choose Wallgate – there’s ‘no comparison’

Marion Community, Illinois, has installed Wallgates at all of their schools. David Pool AIA, district architect of Design Architects, Inc was initially tasked with looking for an energy saving and low maintenance washroom facility for a massive phased renovation program for the Marion schools. Wallgate fit the bill.

“Luckily, the initial cost of buying the Wallgates was not prohibitive.”

“The Wallgates were unique - there was no comparison. Initially no one understood the concept of the Handwasher Drier’s instant hot water system, but Design Architects persevered and installed a working model in their office as a test. This, and a trip to another out of county school where Wallgates had already been installed, enabled them to get approval for Marion County Community School District No. 2.”

Tom Gipson, Director of Facilities at Marion Community Unit School District No.2 is responsible for 7 schools - 4,000 pupils in total. He is impressed with the overall performance of the handwasher/driers.

“There has been minimal downtime compared with other systems. My team is impressed with the ease of daily maintenance and cleaning. Energy management is extremely important and the Wallgates perform well,” he said.

Wallgate continues to support the School District in after sales. Any repairs or maintenance that the units may require will be well supported. The School Districts Facilities team are kept updated and are familiar with the operation of the handwash stations. They are also kept posted with new advances.

### Fact Box

#### Marion Community Unit School District No.2

- One of 5 school districts in Williamson County, Illinois – a state containing 102 counties.
- Formed during the summer of 1951
- Enrolls approximately 4,000 students
- Maintains five elementary schools, one junior high school and one high school.

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#### Wallgate

Design Architects have specified Wallgates for schools at Jersey High, Grafton Elementary, Cahokia public schools and Waterloo High School. Creal Springs Elementary, the newest, is currently being designed by the Design Architects team of David Pool and Tim Dow.



Artists impression of Creal Springs Elementary

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# What makes the Wallgate handwasher/drier a classic choice?



*The handwasher/drier saves space and is more hygienic.*

Great design and quality engineering, make the Wallgate range of handwashing and drying units a "classic choice".

These self-contained and fully recessed hand hygiene facilities are popular with schools, colleges and a wide range of local government applications.

The simple, clean design makes it a popular lavatory option in many of the UK's public washrooms, transportation facilities, restaurants, night clubs, leisure complexes, clean rooms and commercial kitchen areas.

Advantages of the Wallgate range of handwasher/drier include:

- anti-vandal design;
- designed for disabled persons;
- modular low-cost installation;
- low running costs energy and water;
- 4 litre soap capacity;
- matching urinal, WC pan and shower available.

Soap is dispensed from a 4 litre container, while students benefit from the hygienic benefits of internally heated warm water and high-powered hot air drying.

Wallgate handwasher/driers units were chosen because they unclutter rest rooms and replace soap dispensers, sinks, splashback tiling, water heaters, pipes and control valve - and all of the associated expensive on-site labor and maintenance costs - with one hole-in-the-wall unit. Long-term cost savings are significant.

## Wallgate ...takes some beating!

When it comes to high quality, long-lasting, damage-resistant sanitary ware for the education sector, Wallgate takes some beating.

For the past 30 years Wallgate has been the UK's leading designer and manufacturer of vandal-proof sanitary ware for a wide range of applications.



Having started as electrical engineers, Wallgate patented the handwasher/drier (see picture on left) - a high impact all-in-one washing station which proved popular with facility managers.

Over time Wallgate's products have expanded to include high impact resin sanitary ware, which has proved highly durable even in remote areas with extreme vandalism.

*Wallgate Model CME\_45*

Wallgate toilet and washroom equipment is now used in schools, colleges, public conveniences,



*Thurstable School, UK*

public buildings, leisure centres, supermarkets and fast-food outlets the length and breadth of the UK.

Wallgate work alongside school districts, administrators, teachers, and students to improve school restrooms.

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