



RECONSTRUCTION OF BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PHASE I



Owner:

City of Buffalo

Location:

City of Buffalo, Erie County

Completion Date:

December, 2002 (Design); September, 2004 (Construction)

Services:

- *Asbestos Survey*
- *Asbestos Design*
- *Lead-Based Paint Testing*
- *Lead-Based Paint Design*
- *UST Removal Design*

The Buffalo Board of Education is undertaking a \$1 billion dollar renovation/rehabilitation of the Buffalo City School system. The first phase of the renovations consisted of nine schools and is currently in the construction phase. The renovation work will be completed in multiple phases and will involve work in over seventy existing schools and the construction of up to five more.

During the first phase, Watts Engineers performed asbestos testing and design, and lead-based paint testing and design for the new Emerson Middle School (PS #302), Highgate Heights Academy (PS #80), Discovery School (PS #67), Stanton Academy (PS #31) and Frank Sedita Academy (PS #38). In addition, we prepared the design documents for the removal of Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) at PS #302 and PS #80. Construction is expected to be ready for student occupancy when classes resume in the fall of 2004.

The second phase of the design process has begun and will consist of the renovation of thirteen schools. Watts Engineers has just completed the testing for asbestos and lead-based paint for four schools, Early Childhood Center (PS #82), Waterfront Elementary (PS #95), Bennett High (PS #200) and Hutchinson Technical (PS #304).