Borné Nau, Grandson



SHORT DESCRIPTION

Located on the shores of Lake Neuchâtel, the municipality of Grandson is experiencing steady and regular population growth and now has 3,000 inhabitants. The number of pupils is growing proportionally and an adaptation of the infrastructure was necessary as the school includes pupils from 18 surrounding municipalities. There was already a building on the site in Rue du Jura that had been erected 25 years previously.

THE PROJECT

The extension of the Collège is the first step in the development of the entire Borné Nau sector, i.e. twelve hectares north of the old center between the built-up ridge and the freeway.

SERVICES IN DETAIL

The creation of fourteen classrooms, a visual arts room, a music room and three science rooms with spaces for administration and preparation for science lessons. The architects Guy Corbaz & Pascal Oulevay opted for a building with a compact volume that blends naturally into the existing built environment and for a typology with modular spaces. The floor plans were worked with smaller classes, in accordance with the new legislation, which was reduced from 80^{m2} floor area and 3 m height to 64^{m2} and a ceiling height of 2.7 m. This change enabled the client to achieve an average cost saving of 15%. A double flight of stairs is a tongue-in-cheek reminder of 19th century facilities and adds a cheerful touch while facilitating circulation for the pupils.

Building volume: 11,000^{m3}

FACTS

Location	Rue du Jura 27 1422 , Grandson , Switzerland
Status	completed
Start of construction	June 2015
Completion	June 2016
Architect	Architectes Guy Corbaz & Pascal Oulevay architectes sàrl - Lausanne

SERVICES

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