

About thinkSMART planning, inc.

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An Arizona-based firm with affiliations in New Mexico and Texas, thinkSMART planning celebrates and encourages excellent schools via expert facility planning, community participation, and open dialogue with stakeholders.

We BELIEVE:

- ✓ **Students** deserve environments that are appropriate for learning;
- ✓ **Educators** should be afforded the tools and environments needed to successfully engage children in learning;
- ✓ **Parents** deserve to know their children are safe, comfortable and inspired in their learning environment;
- ✓ **School** is ..a place where services, support and opportunities lead to improved student learning, stronger families and healthier communities (from *Partnerships for Excellence*).

Our Services Include:

- Capacity Studies
- Community Engagement and Consensus Building
- Educational Adequacy Assessments
- Educational Specifications
- Facility Planning
- Enrollment Projections
- Master Planning/ Capital Master Planning
- Strategic Planning
- Visioning/ Learning Plans
- Workshop Facilitation

Our Qualifications:

- Molly Smith, our founder and principal planner, is a Recognized Educational Facility Professional by the Association for Learning Environments and a Certified Planner as designated by the American Planning Association;
- ThinkSMART is a national leader in educational facility planning for visioning and consensus building;
- We bring 25+ years experience in the school facility planning business with experience as a principal of a large regional educational design firm;

- Experts in facility planning for the specific issues of the Pacific, Southwest, and Inter Mountain Regions of the US:
 - high growth,
 - warm climates,
 - multi-cultural school populations,
 - urban, suburban and rural school districts.
- Many years planning experience with southwestern US Native Americans as well as Hispanic and Border Communities experiencing migratory populations.
- Numerous speaking engagements at state, national and international organizations.
- Experience in the states of New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, California, Utah, Texas, Michigan, Washington, Nevada, South Dakota, Wyoming, Florida, Missouri, Alaska, Ohio and Virginia.
- Over 100 Educational Specifications created for elementary, middle, intermediate, jr. high, K-8, K-5, K-12, high and career/technical schools.
- Numerous campus plans and master plans for urban, suburban, and rural communities.
- Development of planning standards for state and local districts, as well as advisory to the States of AZ (SFB) and NM (PSFA),
- **Arizona operation that is an AZ and NM and TX Registered Corporation with Offices in Chandler, AZ and Austin, TX.**

thinkSMART planning has National Experience with an emphasis in the Southwest.

