



Educational environments have become showcases for panel-processed goods. Whether for desking, flooring, cabinetry, work surfaces or other storage areas, panels and decorative surfaces are the perfect answer. Aesthetics are an important part of creating an environment that is conducive to maximizing learning potential. Studies have shown that environment-based education emphasizes specific critical thinking skills central to “good science”—questioning, investigating, forming hypotheses, interpreting data, analyzing, developing conclusions and solving problems.

Durability is a key component in selecting materials to be used in these spaces. Vertical and horizontal surfaces need certain characteristics to create longevity in the products.

High pressure laminate (HPL), thermally fused laminate (TFL), solid surface, compact laminate, three-dimensional laminate (3DL) and others are perfect to meet these needs while being aesthetically pleasing.



1 Laminate flooring and vinyl flooring are perfect solutions for educational spaces. Their durability along with various decorative options provide everything needed to design the space. Desks and work surface tops require impact resistance along with other distinctive traits, which make HPL, 3DL, compact phenolic and solid surface great options.

2 Storage solutions such as lockers and cabinetry are key components of schools and labs. The vertical surfaces can be achieved using HPL, TFL or compact phenolic. If a custom look is in order to give a decorative touch to the space, custom laminates are the perfect option.

3 Custom graphics can be a big part of educational space. Whether it be the school mascot or quotations from literary scholars, custom laminates offer the solution.

4 TFL on the vertical surfaces with HPL tops complete workstations that are both functional and decorative.





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See pages 48-85 for more detailed product descriptions and performance characteristics.

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