

# STUDENT HEALTH. STUDENT PERFORMANCE STUDENT SUCCESS.

Achieving the optimum learning environment starts with flooring that creates safer spaces and fosters engagement.



#### Built-in benefits

We understand that flooring is more than a design decision, it is a choice affecting health and wellness in the built-environment. That's why we're committed to creating safer learning spaces for every generation of students and educators.

- Attenuation of unwanted sound lessens distraction and improves speech intelligibility
- Extreme durability resists surface damage caused by footfall traffic, daily spills, and movable furniture
- Reduced life-cycle costs deliver sustainable operational savings for decades to come
- GREENGUARD Gold Certified with low VOC emissions delivers healthier indoor air quality, aiding in absenteeism due to asthma and allergy
- Ergonomic comfort eases musculoskeletal strain and prevents injury by providing a slip-resistant surface



Frits Philips lyceum-mavo, Eindhoven, Netherlands



Christa McAuliffe Elementary School, Concord, NH

"The elimination of coatings and chemicals has been a breath of fresh air, literally."

> Rusty Bonner, head custodian, Christa McAuliffe Elementary School



#### Impact of color

How can you use color to deliver a better experience for both students and teachers? Evidence-based studies show use of color plays a critical role in supporting human-centered design, impacting mood, memory, attention and even perception. To create a positive learning environment and enable long-term flexibility in planning and design, a neutral color palette should comprise 70-80 percent of the floor. The remaining 20-30 percent of flooring should use accent colors to enliven facility design and support wayfinding paths. Wall color becomes the balance of the palette.

The foundation and accent flooring solutions color palette presented in this brochure were inspired by 2019 Education and Science Color Story and research from Sherwin-Williams®.

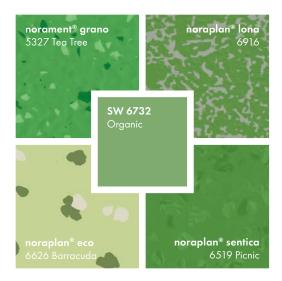
#### Foundation color palette

Support evidence-based and human-centered design with neutral base tones and patterns.

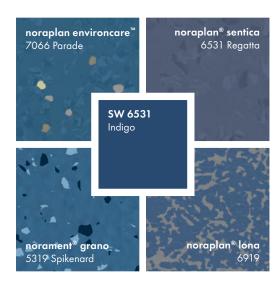


### Accent color palette

Showcase your school colors, enhance overall design and provide wayfinding cues with richly colored complimentary tones



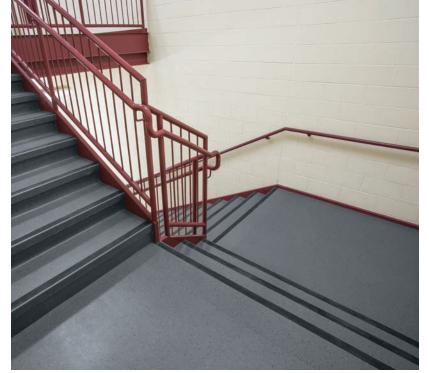












Milford High School, Highland, MI

## Safety in every step

School stairwells are vital from both a safety and accessibility viewpoint. They serve as connecting spaces and primary emergency routes. norament® stairtreads combine design, safety and comfort for your most heavily trafficked areas. Available in pre-shaped stair nosing, riser and tread combinations, nora stair treads make it easy to implement an all-in-one solution that speeds and simplifies installation. Resilient nora rubber means no breaking or shrinking over time. The quality and functional properties of nora stair treads and flooring deliver peace of mind at every step.

#### Simplicity in installation

All noraplan® sheet and select norament® tile products are available as nora® nTx, a pre-applied, solvent-free adhesive with no moisture limits for quick and easy installation. This revolutionary system eliminates the need for wet spread adhesives, which reduces costs associated with material and labor and allows for immediate traffic, rolling loads, and initial cleaning. When compared to standard commercial vinyl and linoleum, nora nTx drastically reduces installation time, offering you the ability to meet tight renovation and construction schedules.

## Savings in maintenance and operations

Flooring is a critical capital investment decision. When making this crucial design decision, administrators, facility managers and designers must evaluate the total cost of ownership long-term, cost-effectiveness of resilient flooring materials are often overlooked for lower initial costs, leaving facilities exposed to increased future cost obligations (Moussatche & Languel, 2002). nora rubber is uncoated and requires little more than a scrubber and water to maintain looking new.



Kent State University, Kent, OH







Lecture Hall, Weinheim, Germany



Early Learning Center, Mount Prospect, IL



University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

"We were spending a lot of money, and we knew it would be another 30 years before we could renovate again. So, we wanted it to last; we wanted it to be durable."

Larry Hill, project manager, University of Colorado @ Boulder

Learn more about how nora flooring helps you achieve optimal learning environments at www.nora.com/us/education

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