Finding Success with T&S:

Linn-Mar Community School District





Building new schools means planning every component from the ground up. When it came to the kitchen, Luke Green knew exactly who to turn to for plumbing needs — everything from tried and true faucets to state-of-the-art pre-rinse units that make the prep sink a coveted assignment: **T&S Brass**.

The project

In order to alleviate crowding at district elementary and middle schools, Linn-Mar Community School District in Marion, Iowa, constructed two new schools to educate students in fifth and sixth grades: Hazel Point and Boulder Peak Intermediate Schools.

These sister schools were designed to serve the needs of 800 students each and opened their doors for the first time on September 14, 2020.

Green, contract and design specialist with Rapids Foodservice Contract and Design, was responsible for the selection and specification of the kitchen equipment for the new facilities, including plumbing fixtures.

"I specified T&S throughout for so many reasons, all of which boil down to it being the best choice for every application," he said. "T&S products are very reliable. Parts are easy to obtain for regular maintenance. They have outstanding customer service support. And with their breadth of products, it's a one-stop shop for all the water needs."

The solutions

T&S DURAPULL, an innovative new design of pre-rinse unit, was selected for the schools' kitchens because of its unique design and appealing attributes.







DuraPull features pulldown operation in which users simply pull the sprayer down toward the sink to activate the water flow and release it to end flow. This operational design reduces fatigue and creates a more ergonomic user experience.

"A common complaint the school received from kitchen staff was sore hands, shoulders and backs from continual use of standard pre-rinse units," Green said. "The new DuraPull units should alleviate a lot of that strain, and it elicited a lot of excitement when it was installed.

"It seems like one small kitchen feature, but it made the staff excited to return to work and even fight over using the pre-rinse station."

DuraPull's heavy-duty construction is designed for long-term durability in high-volume kitchens.

Additionally, all hand sinks were outfitted with **T&S CHEKPOINT SENSOR FAUCETS** — another improvement well received by staff for its **hygienic**, **hands-free operation**, particularly during the time of **COVID**.

"Any faucet in any sink is T&S. The fit and finish is the best on the market. They are just on a completely different playing field."

Luke Green,
Contract & design specialist with
Rapids Foodservice Contract and Design

A stainless steel **HOSE REEL** was installed to make cleaning and washdown easier and more efficient. And other T&S faucets and fixtures, including **BIG-FLO FAUCETS** at the soiled dish table and **LEVER WASTE DRAIN VALVES**, were specified and installed throughout the kitchens.



