

June 24, 1969

Mr. John W. Rhoden
23 Cranberry Street
Brooklyn Heights
New York, New York 11201

Re: Sr. High School #40
1% Art

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of June 18, 1969. We enjoyed your visit to Baltimore and are pleased that you have taken an interest in our project.

Your tentative figure of \$30,000 for the art work alone has been considered. Our preliminary budget, as you know, is oriented to about \$15,000.00 per Commons Area. We appreciate that, as the artists formulate their work, adjustments will be necessary. When we have assembled the entire lists of costs for the art project, we will be able to determine what these adjustments must be.

We would not wish to presume to establish the costs for your work. We do request, however, that you reconsider the scope of your pieces to permit your costs to more closely approach our budget for execution, shipment, and installation.

All of those that you met here in Baltimore were most impressed with your talent and sincerity. We believe that your work should be expressed in this school and trust that you will be able to adjust your creation to our funds.

Very truly yours,

SMEALLIE, ORRICK and JANKA



Eugene R. Smeallie

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cc: R. Micherdzinski
H. Newlin