



**Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School (ECS), Westmount, Quebec
Dealership: Aquest Design, Pointe-Claire, Quebec**

This private girl school, serving grades K-11, is an excellent example of how a school community understood their progressive curriculum needed to correlate to the physical solutions within a classroom. The desire to take the knowledge of 21st Century learning obtained in junior school to the middle school was stifling their transitions. The leadership was not only aware of the historic yet antiquated aspects of furniture and ideas concerning space but truly understood that the facilities' size was creating overwhelming limitations. The 439 sf classrooms needed to support 22 students was the overwhelming catalyst for change.

The school engaged Aquest Design to assist in the transformations to leap from a traditional 1:1 solution. The embedded design attributes of Shift+ from a systems approach delivering diversity, choice and comfort became quite apparent in the planning process. Strategies to rethink the requirements of the teacher's desk, the student experience, agility as well as high capacity storage solutions emerged. Resulting environments are a piece of beauty. The selections not only seamlessly support the basic needs of the diversity of students at specific points in time but also permit adaptations of a variety of spatial requirements responding to the instruction.