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Follansbee Tops Neighboring School's Community Wellness Center

FOLLANSBEE, WV... The new \$6.8 million Wellness Center at Brooke High School in Wellsburg, WV, which is topped with Follansbee's [TCS II®](#) roof, lends itself to the overall wellness of the students and community in Brooke County. Among school improvements that were funded by a \$15 million bond issue supported by voters in 2000, the Wellness Center is free and easily accessible to the community – a token of appreciation to the residents.

“Follansbee, a neighboring business in the community, was very generous in providing their time and expertise for the completion of the Wellness Center,” explains Brooke High School Superintendent, Charlie Baker. “It is significant to work with a local company that has high quality products that will last for generations. We are very thankful for Follansbee’s help in opening our doors to the public.”

More than 25,000-square-feet of Follansbee® TCS II® was specified for the Wellness Center and several athletic facilities on campus including the press box and dugout roof, all designed to match the existing metal used throughout the school’s complex. The facility’s gutters, downspouts, copings, and gravel stops were fabricated using the TCS II as well.

“A large radius TCS II metal roof was curved on-site and applied over the swimming pool area,” notes project manager Mark Fedak, of JD&E, Inc., the general contractor from Wheeling, WV. “A curved, tapered canopy in a compound radius was installed over the main entrance to the facility, providing an attractive curvature of the roof.”

“The versatility of TCS II is evidenced by the many design forms in which it can be tailored,” states Edward Thomas, Follansbee Vice President and General Manager. “In addition to the curved option chosen for the Brooke High project, this adaptable product can be used in such applications as a vertical wall, shingle, or spherical shape, offering flexibility and customization.”

Completed in June 2003, the 55,000-square-foot facility features a 6-lane, competition sized swimming pool - the largest high school swim area in the state - with a viewing area for 500 spectators. The structure also includes a full-sized gymnasium to accommodate 1,800 fans; a secondary gymnasium with seating capacity for approximately 600; and a third gymnasium used for high school volleyball, wrestling, and cheerleading. Other features are a complete fitness center with approximately 45 new pieces of exercise equipment; a student weight training facility complete with a full-time athletic trainer, weight room, rehabilitation room, taping room, and wet room with therapy whirlpools; as well as state-of-the-art men’s and women’s locker facilities, and a new office complex housing the athletic director, assistant athletic director, and coaching staff.

“The roof design is truly unique – not a typical straight roof,” adds Baker. “The detail shown in the curved roof and the natural color of the TCS II, result in an eye-catching facility. Aesthetically – this is one of the nicest buildings in the state.”

Charleston, WV, based Williamson Shriver Gandee Architects served as the project architect, and N.F. Mansuetto & Sons, Inc., Martins Ferry, OH, as the installer.

TCS II is an architectural stainless steel coated with Follansbee's patented [ZT® \(zinc/tin\) alloy](#). As a result of Follansbee’s extensive metallurgic research, TCS II does not require painting and is designed to weather naturally to an attractive gray patina and can withstand severe corrosive conditions including industrial, coastal, and salt-water environments. Follansbee offers 9 preformed profiles for metal roofing, including 6 standing seam profiles, but the highly versatile TCS II can be tailored into a variety of design forms, from the traditional standing seam roof to a vertical wall, barrel applications, shingles, and customized sections in flat or spherical shapes. TCS II is solderable and virtually maintenance-free.

Follansbee Steel offers a wide range of metal roofing products for commercial and residential construction including [Terne II®](#), [KlassicKolors®](#) and [TCS II®](#). Founded in the early 1800s, the Follansbee, WV, company has been manufacturing in its current location for more than 100 years. Modern alloys developed and patented by Follansbee have taken the original tin roof to new heights of performance and longevity. For more information call 1-800-624-6906 or visit www.follansbeeroofing.com.

