Photograph Descriptions


2. A drift of purple three-awn turning golden in fall with fine leaves and very attractive purple flower heads in the summer. This California native can be used instead of the invasive Mexican feather grass.

3. View of the academic building featuring a green vegetated roof which includes teaching opportunities related to California native planting.

4. Narrow modular pavers over a pedestal system create a meandering path that allows plants to bleed through, making an organic, colonizing effect.

5. Ipe wood bridges with transparent railings connect the green roof with the existing grade and allow primary entrances on the roof deck.

6. A viewing area at the railing provides a place for outdoor classrooms and viewing of the lower campus activities.

7. A class maintains the vegetable garden throughout the year.

8. The new building rises up to the existing slope and creates an extension of the upper campus.

9. Part of the challenge was building something with a shallow depth in windy, hot and dry conditions and yet still provide amazing textures and colors throughout the year.

10. Part of the students’ environmental education is to experience seeing seed, soil, water and sun come together in their classroom vegetable garden. This hands-on learning experience is vitally important and can contribute to greater success in the classroom.