

Attachment A  
To the Interlocal Agreement  
Between the School Board of Sarasota County  
and The City of Venice  
VENICE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
FACILITY DESCRIPTION

General / Public Lobby Area

The Performing Arts Center will have approximately 30,000 square feet. It will include an upscale entrance lobby that will house restroom facilities and concessions at the orchestra and balcony level, a combined box office and manager's office.

Auditorium

The orchestra and balcony levels will be entered through sound / light lock vestibules. A total seating capacity of 1,000 patrons will be approximately subdivided into 750 seats on the orchestra level, and 250 seats on the balcony level. Balcony seating can be accessed through an elevator or stairs from the ground floor lobby up to a balcony lobby, through sound/light lock vestibules into the auditorium.

A sound / lighting control booth will be located at the rear of the theater and a mix location at orchestra level. A follow spot booth will be located at the rear of the theater above the balcony seating.

A series of catwalks within the ceiling plenum of the auditorium will accommodate access to additional lighting and the follow spots, sound and lighting equipment. In addition to two stage lighting catwalks over the seating area and a balcony rail stage lighting position, two upper and lower box boom lighting positions will be located on the sides of the auditorium.

At the front of the stage, there will be an orchestra pit with a lift that will accommodate three positions; 1) at the highest position will increase the size of the stage floor, 2) provide additional seating within the auditorium at orchestra level, or 3) an orchestra pit.

Stagehouse

The proscenium opening will be fifty feet wide by thirty feet tall with a left/center/right speaker cluster located above. The stagehouse will be of similar height, width, and depth as North Port High School's stagehouse. The performance area within the stagehouse will consist of approximately 50 feet wide by 32 feet deep with 26 feet wing space on the stage left side and 32 feet

on stage right. It will house a single purchase counterweighted stage rigging system, motorized stage fire curtain system, and portable orchestra shell.

Stage equipment access lofts will be provided on both sides of the stagehouse and will include a dimmer room located on stage right. A gridiron will be provided approximately 75 feet above stage level. The facility will accommodate large travelling shows as well as smaller performances. The theatre systems will include all the necessary equipment for a complete stage rigging, curtain and track system, a stage lighting dimming, distribution, control, and fixtures system, a performance sound and video system, a motorized orchestra pit elevator, and a portable orchestra shell with movable towers and permanent ceiling pieces integrated into the stage rigging system.

#### Back of House Area

Backstage will include male and female principal rooms and chorus dressing rooms with toilet facilities and showers, a Green Room, wardrobe room, piano storage, receiving area with loading dock and scene shop.

#### Quality Assurance

A consultant has been hired to ensure the successful design and construction for all acoustical and theatrical related materials, equipment, and performance related items.