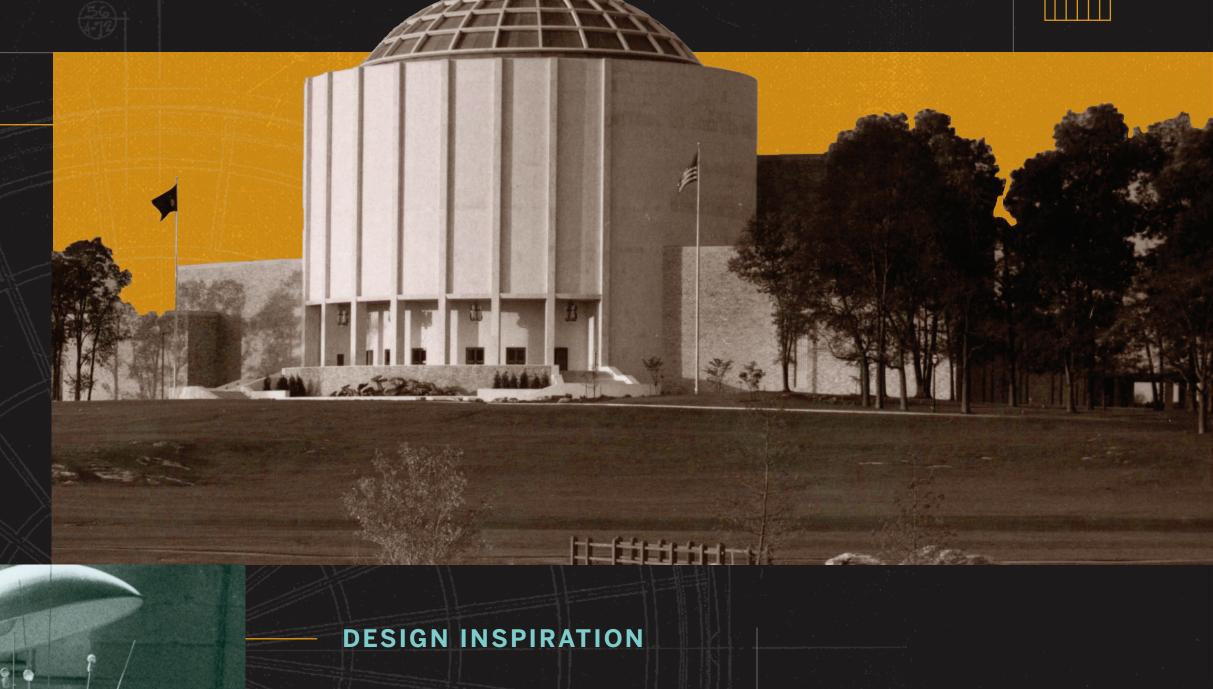
FOUNDERS HALL

The first thing students and visitors see when they arrive at Milton Hershey School, Founders Hall leaves quite a first impression.

Housing the great rotunda, offices, and auditorium/chapel, Founders Hall is functional and beautiful — a monument to the Hersheys' vision of the school. It was designed by Coleman and Coleman Architects, and opened September 13, 1970. A major renovation of the building was completed in 2020.

DRAWN FROM NATURE

16,000 tons of limestone are meant to reflect the area's Pennsylvania German heritage, and the building was one of the first in the area to use geothermal energy.



Combining classical design elements like the Pantheonstyled dome and the impressive custom Austrian crystal chandeliers emphasizes stability and innovation at MHS. 16,000

TONS OF LIMESTONE

HISTORY AROUND YOU

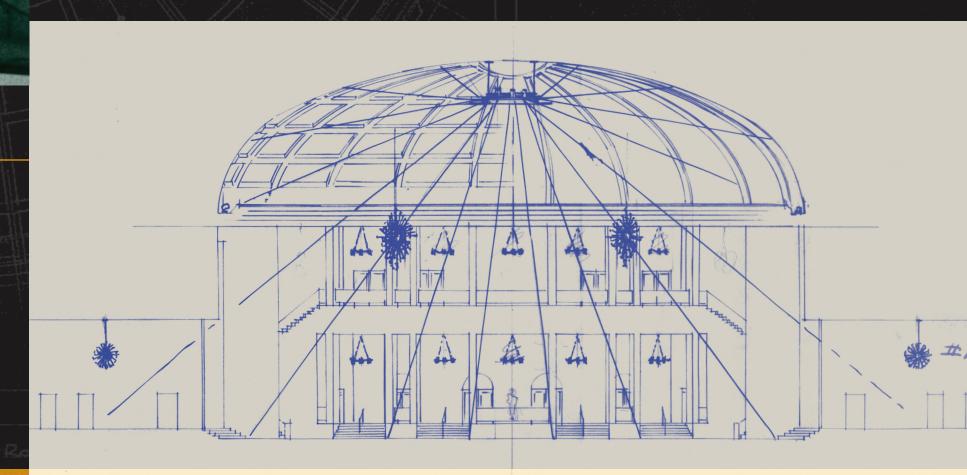
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FEET IN HEIGHT

The dome is made up of two layers. The interior of the rotunda is 74 feet in height and the outer dome extends an additional 63 feet high.



AN EXPANSIVE CAMPUS

While Founders Hall is the iconic center of MHS, it is just a small piece of the 7,190 acres that make up the full campus.

When Milton Hershey looked for the perfect location to house and educate children, he knew that his childhood home would be the right place to start. Since then, many additional buildings have been added to ensure that students are empowered, educated, and supported by MHS.

STUDENT HOMES

Housing students in a homelike setting has always been central to Milton Hershey's vision. Today, student homes house 8–12 students and two houseparents each, spread across the MHS campus.



CATHERINE HALL

Originally constructed in 1934, Catherine Hall was completely modernized and refurbished in 2007. The building now serves as a middle school for students in grades five through eight.



COPENHAVER CENTER

Copenhaver Center houses a wide range of programs including music, drama, culinary arts, and electronic media and journalism training, as well as dental and medical suites for student care.



FANNY B. HERSHEY MEMORIAL HALL

Buildings across the MHS campus are named for the people that were important in Milton Hershey's life.
Fanny B. Hershey Memorial Hall — named after his mother — contains pre-K through 4th grade classrooms.

EWERY MIL

Several imperfections in the "Milton Hershey and the Boy" statue symbolize the boy as a familiar student, not an ideal one.

The young boy looking up at Milton
Hershey in Walter Hancock's 1960
sculpture is not intended to represent any
one student — it is instead a composite of
all boys who had attended the school up
until that point. The artist wanted students
to be able to see themselves as the young
boy, and to appreciate Mr. Hershey's gift.

STATUE DETAILS

1 COLLAR

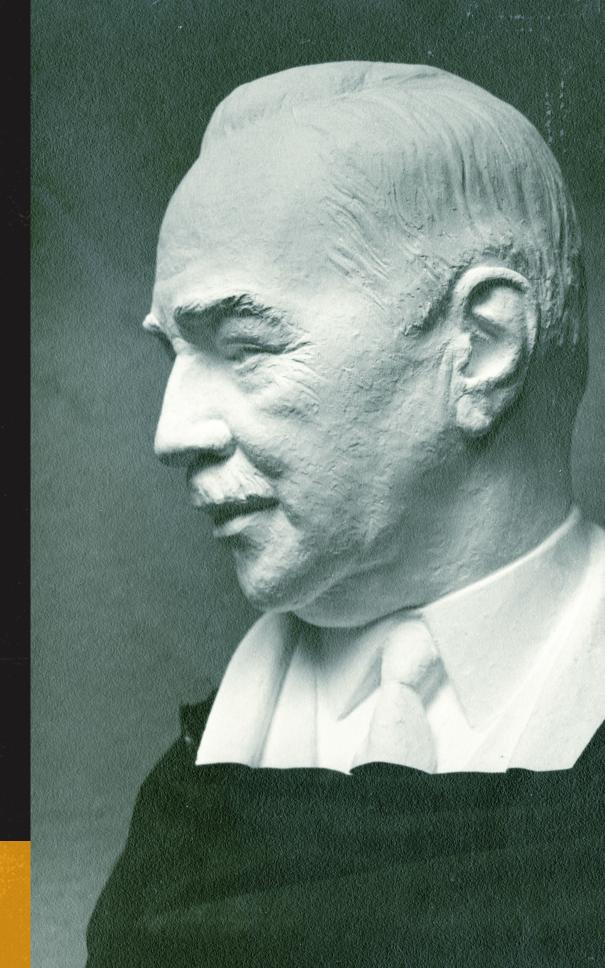
The boy looks tousled — his collar is uneven and folded haphazardly.

2 BELT LOOPS

On the boy's waist, the belt loop on the side near Milton Hershey has been skipped.

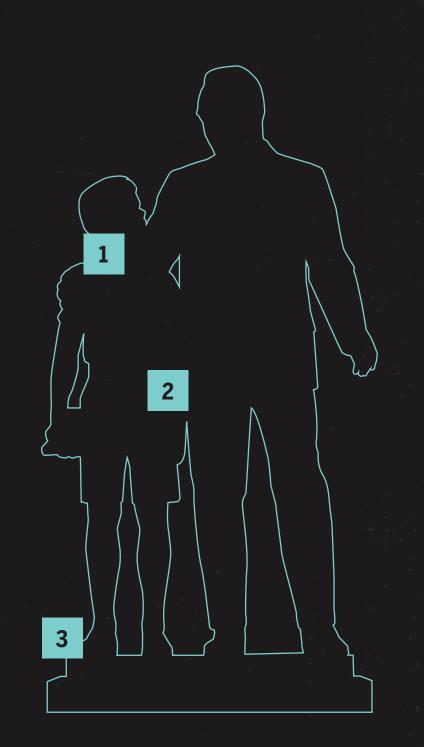
SHOE LACES

The laces on the boy's left shoe are laced up through the eyes, while those on the right are laced downward.



"OUR INSPIRATION"

The statue was commissioned by the MHS Alumni Association for the school's 50th anniversary celebration.





THE HOMESTEAD

birthplace has served as

an experimental chocolate

Catherine's home, and the

first school building in 1910.

factory, Milton and

Milton Hershey's

THE MEDALLON

Anchoring the great rotunda, the 12-sided medallion tells the story of Milton Hershey and the founding of the school.

The multi-colored marble inlaid medallion was designed by Lief Neandros of New York's Rambusch Company. Each section captures a unique piece of the story of Milton Hershey, Hershey's Chocolate, the surrounding town, and the school. There are also two time capsules buried beneath. The medallion provides students and visitors with a visual reminder of the school's history and core values.



FOUNDED ON COCOA

The cocoa tree and pod are the basic ingredients of Hershey's success, the foundation of the school, town, and Hershey partnerships we know today.



1970

MEDALLION
INSTALLED ON THE
ROTUNDA FLOOR

CHOCOLATE AND COCOA AVE

For Milton Hershey,
Hershey, PA would
be a community built
and supported by his
company — with the
downtown crossroads
of Chocolate and Cocoa
Avenues at the center.

SUSTAINING COMMUNITY

Today's MHS students build their futures with help from Hershey partners.

HERSHEY PARTNERSHIPS









PROJECT FELLOWSHIP

Project Fellowship serves to build a bridge and foster connections between MHS and other Hershey employees and their families.

Partners and student home groups enjoy getting together in a fun, rewarding atmosphere several times during the year.



INTERNSHIPS

Internships completed within the Hershey entities are an integral part of the Career Technical Education program. Ranging from culinary study at The Hotel Hershey to onthe-job business and manufacturing training at The Hershey Company, internships give students real-world experience to prepare them for success beyond MHS.

ONE HESHEY

A vibrant community has always been central to Milton Hershey's vision.

From his early work to build a complete and thriving town through today — The Hershey Company, Hershey Entertainment & Resorts, the town of Hershey, and MHS have continued to grow because of their close partnerships. You can see this alliance on display across the surrounding landscape.





Today, the relationship between
The Hershey Company and MHS is
strong. Check out the back of your
next Hershey's milk chocolate bar to
see how Milton's vision continues to
support the MHS mission.



