

Monett R-1 School District LED Lighting Upgrade

All LED Lighting for Monett School District

In 2018, Monett R-1 School District annual savings of over \$129,000. choose Excel Energy Group as the lighting contractor to update their existing lighting system with new LED technology. The projects involved replacing or upgrading over 5,900 total fixtures and sensors, reducing those facilities' lighting and maintenance costs by over 65%--an

Excel Energy Group assisted the District in obtaining project funding through DNR which gave the job a low interest financing.

Monett R-1 School District had mostly existing T8 fluorescent lighting. With over 3,400 fixtures being T8, Excel was still able to save the District an additional \$129,900 annually by switching all of the lighting to LED technology.

The lighting project chosen by Monett Schools was a Premium Design, which means it includes cosmetic upgrades in addition to energy efficiency.

Areas were noted during the audit as fixtures that could use to be replaced. Some of these fixtures were replaced with similar items that kept the same look. Other areas had surface mounted fixtures that were in a recessed ceiling. Per the design of Excel, these fixtures were replaced with recessed troffers that



added a cleaner look to classrooms and offices where they were installed.

Excel Energy Group not only provides retrofit and replacement of interior lighting but exterior lighting as well. Fixtures like wall packs, canopies and flood lights are replaced with LED lighting. Also less common items like pole lighting and flag pole floods can be replaced with LED lighting.

THE BOTTOM LINE:

Excel was able to reduce the District's electricity and gas usage by 1,083,262 kwh annually. That means Monett will eliminate over 1,777,327 pounds of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere every year—the equivalent of removing the emissions from burning 90,715 gallons of gasoline or 882,037 pounds of coal annually.



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Project Quick Facts:

| Total Facilities: | 15 |
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| Total Light Fixtures: | 5,900 |
| Total Sensors: | 300 |
| Total Cost: | \$561,400 |
| Annual Savings: | \$129,900 |
| Payback: | 4.3 years |

Decreased light wattage by an Average of 60% in each area!

