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#### **SUTTER ROOFING PASSES THE TEST ON HELPING SCHOOLS SAVE MONEY AND REDUCE WASTE.**

Sarasota, Florida – July 20, 2009 – Sutter Roofing Company, one of Florida's leading commercial and industrial subcontractors, recently finished work on several large school projects on the West Coast. The projects, at a cumulative cost of around \$3.5 million, included Manatee County's Palmetto High School additions, Southeast High School, and Sarasota County's new Riverview High School and Elementary School I.

All of the roofs were upgraded using LEED-approved materials, including reflective "membranes" that will help extend the lives of the current roofs and reduce heating and cooling costs in the years to come.

LEED is an internationally recognized certification system that measures how well a building or community performs across all the metrics that matter most: energy savings, water efficiency, CO<sup>2</sup> emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.

Developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), LEED provides building owners and operators a concise framework for identifying and implementing practical and measurable green building design, construction, operations and maintenance solutions.

Work for school boards, including new and re-roofing projects, represents a significant portion of Sutter Roofing's annual volume. Collectively the company has completed over three million square feet of roofing for the School Boards of Sarasota and Manatee Counties.

"We've been in the roofing business a long time, so our crews are very familiar with working on occupied school grounds and the challenges these projects present," said Stephen Sutter, President of Sutter Roofing. "We are happy to report that all the jobs went smoothly, and the school board should enjoy years of trouble-free maintenance and energy-savings."

Sutter Roofing Company is a nationally recognized leader in commercial roofing and sheet metal contracting. The Sutter family has been in the commercial roofing business since 1902, when the company was founded in Clarksburg, West Virginia. Their Florida operation was started in 1979, and has since grown to be one of the largest roofing contractors in the state, as well as the entire U.S.

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“This steady, controlled growth has only been possible due to our tremendous employees whose commitment to excellence personifies the organization. We have over 200 employees who are dedicated to only the best quality, service, and professionalism in the industry,” Sutter also stated.

The company maintains memberships in the National Roofing Contractors Association, the Florida Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors Association and its local Sarasota affiliate, as well as other industry-related associations.

***For more information about Sutter Roofing, or to arrange an interview, contact Gabriele Vest at 941-351-0024 or email gvest@grapeinc.com. Grapevine Communications is an award-winning advertising, marketing, and public relations firm based in Sarasota and serving clients nationwide.***

Captions:

*Elementary School I: “Sarasota’s newest elementary school located in North Port features LEED approved reflective membranes installed by Sutter Roofing.”*

*Riverview: “Highly anticipated Riverview High school completed with LEED certified reflective membranes installed by Sutter Roofing.”*

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