

Case Study

# Calvert School



## Details

Location: Baltimore, MD

Description: 5,292-square-feet of Safari  
Ultra

## Project Needs

Soft, safe surface for children to play

5-Year warranty

Easy to repair and/or replace, as needed

Wide variety of pattern and color options

## Project Benefits

Attractive

Durable

Eco-logical





## 15-Year Warranty Provides Calvert School with Peace of Mind



The Calvert School, a prestigious private institution consisting of elementary and middle school facilities, is located on a 13-acre campus in Tuscany-Canterbury, a residential neighborhood in Baltimore City just north of Johns Hopkins University. The kindergarten through eighth grade students here work and play hard, which is why the school needed a tough, resilient, and attractive surfacing product when it was time to install a new playground.

“The existing playground used to be a parking area in between the corridors of the school,” said Eric Black, a sales representative with Playground Specialists, Inc., based in Emmitsburg, Md. “This area, which consisted of asphalt, was going to be removed, because they were adding on to the school. They need to create a new play area.”

Playground Specialists, Inc. installed 5,292-square-feet of PlayGuard Safari Ultra at the new playground. Manufactured in the U.S.A. by Ecore, a company that transforms reclaimed waste into performance surfaces, the 4 ½-inch thick tiles are designed to reduce the risk of serious injury associated with falls from playground equipment. Any design inspiration or playful color scheme can be implemented with PlayGuard’s custom color and logo capabilities.

The Calvert school selected black, gray, and gold colored tiles, because those are the school’s colors. “They didn’t like the pour in place surfacing, because it doesn’t wear well,” said Black. They really liked PlayGuard, its warranty, and that the tile can be replaced individually or in sections.”

PlayGuard features the safety surfaces industry’s only 15-year warranty. Moreover, PlayGuard’s exclusive Quad Blok interlocking system offers reliable easy-down and easy-up installation. Quad Blok modular connectors feature precisely located openings that interface with the corner leg understructure PlayGuard tiles. These connectors are quick and easy to use without adhering to or causing damage to playground substrates and allow for the removal or replacement of individual tiles with minimal disruption and labor. PlayGuard is also created with a patented manufacturing technology to recycle pre and post-consumer waste into durable surfacing tiles, making it environmentally friendly.

“The school loves it,” said Black. “The color selections were right on.”

