Kimley-Horn and DLR Group partnered on the Arapahoe Community College Sturm Collaboration Campus project in Castle Rock, Colorado. This important project created a brand-new college campus, resulting in new opportunities for community residents seeking employment or looking to pursue higher learning. Our design accounted for the planned future growth of the campus while providing an aesthetically pleasing, complete plan to develop usable buildings, parking spaces, and outdoor learning areas for this first phase.

Our team incorporated various green elements into our design, including low-water-use plans and water-efficient irrigation, and received LEED credits for Sensitive Land Protection and Open Space. We also incorporated native vegetation into our landscaping design, maintaining the health of Castle Rock's natural ecosystem.

This design-build effort required significant coordination between Kimley-Horn, DLR Group, JHL Constructors, and Arapahoe Community College. When various challenges were presented, our team offered creative solutions to stakeholder coordination, permit phasing, and more, resulting in the project being completed on time and significantly under budget.

Thanks to the Sturm Collaboration Campus, Castle Rock and the surrounding communities can now pursue a higher education in technology, business, health, and more, which ultimately benefits the residents’ and community’s economic and social livelihoods.