



QUICK-TURN HYBRID LEARNING UPGRADES AT PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

In May of 2020, it started to become evident that the COVID-19 pandemic was not going to be defeated quickly. At that time, many education experts, parents and students began to realize that typical classroom learning environments were not going to be sufficient for the foreseeable future.

CAG was contacted by PVAMU **Deputy Chief Information Officer** Midhat Asghar and his team for an immediate and cost-effective solution to this challenge within their campus learning environments. PVAMU had identified over 200 traditional classroom environments in urgent need of distance learning solutions. Since just about every other education facility in the country was in this situation, CAG needed to act quickly to design, procure, implement and test all of the planned distance education/remote learning classroom systems before the start of the upcoming semester.

The CAG team recommended a powerful, versatile and budget-friendly video conferencing system and compatible accessories. Since this type of audio/video equipment was flying off of shelves at all of the major manufacturers, we knew we had to assure supplies quickly in order to meet the needed time-frames for installation. Due to our deep relationships with key suppliers including Logitech, we are able to reserve an adequate supply of equipment rapidly.

Since CAG's AV technical team is scalable, we were able to provide a team of twelve installers, an onsite project manager and qualified support personnel to achieve the completion deadline of July 31, 2020, less than 60 days in total to complete and test 200 classrooms. We worked closely with PVAMU on-campus warehouse and purchasing team to meet the tight turnaround.

This spirit of cooperation, coordination and communication between CAG/AVS and PVAMU staff, resulted in a very efficient, smooth and extremely successful project in a very compressed period of time.

If your institution would like assistance with hybrid classroom installations or other AV needs, please contact Dick Mitchell, VP Business Development at 214-394-5394 or dmitchell@columbiaadvisory.com. [Click here](#) for more information on CAG's contract with E&I.

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