

At S.B. Ballard Construction (SBBCC), Project Manager TJ Thomas is responsible for total project management including controlling budgets, negotiating subcontracts, and providing oversight of the day-to-day activities and communication with the project team from preconstruction through design, construction, and close-out to ensure the schedule is met and the project stays within the Owner's budget. A team player, TJ holds an excellent track record of strong working relationships with owners, architects, and engineers, resulting in successful construction experiences.

With a bachelor's degree from Virginia Tech and master's degree in construction management from Drexel University, TJ has over 19 years in the construction field overseeing all phases of multi-million-dollar, complex construction projects; including k-12 education, higher education, retail, commercial, hospitality, entertainment, transportation, government, and infrastructure projects. Other highlights of his work include the Virginia Beach Westin hotel, which continues to be the tallest building along the east coast from Charlotte, NC to Philadelphia, PA. In 2011, TJ began to specialize in the K-12 Education Sector. He was involved in the Kellam High School Project for the City of Virginia Beach (selected as one of the "Top 5 New Educational Facilities in the World" by the Association for Learning Environments), he served as the Design Build Manager for 5 new schools for the City of Norfolk, and most recently he has been serving as the Project Manager for J.R. Tucker Highschool in Henrico County and Cardinal Elementary School in Richmond Virginia.

TJ has been an active board member with the DBIAHR, Virginia Builds, and is also an active member of the AGC, the U.S. Green Building Council, and the Building Envelope Science Institute. TJ also has a broad background in construction contract delivery, including design-build, guaranteed maximum price (GMP), cost plus fixed fee and hard bid.

Throughout his career, he has had the opportunity to work with clients in both the public and private sector. Outside of work TJ enjoys time with his wife and pets; especially, rides in his restored Chevrolet Camaro and a game of volleyball.