

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

CARVER SCHOOL

LOCATION: West Main and Jefferson, Hominy, Oklahoma 040, Osage County 113

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--education

OWNER: Hominy Board of Education, Box 400, Hominy, OK 74035

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Osage County Courthouse, Pawhuska, OK 74056

DESCRIPTION: excellent; altered; original site

A single story, L-shaped building (95' x 48' vertically, with a 70' x 64' horizontal extension), the old Carver school is constructed of buff brick laid with a running bond. Decorative brick work provides the effect of a continuous lintel and sill, although the sill beneath the window is of cut limestone as are the wall caps. Most original casement windows have been replaced with single pane, metal encased windows. Except over the gym where it is arched, the roof is flat with parapets, while the entry way is recessed in a slightly extended front facade. The new windows have not affected the architectural integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1938-1939; architect/builder: unknown

From the time of its construction until the 1950s, Carver school was the segregated black school in Hominy. It is important because it reflects the history of educational discrimination in Hominy and its conclusion--today the building is the community's Junior High School. Construction of the building provided job opportunities for black workers whose basic poverty had been made unbearable by the depression, offering them some self-pride and a small measure of economic security. Architecturally, the structure is notable within the community in terms of original type (black school) and character of workmanship.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: less than one acre

Quadrangle: Hominy, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated in the NW 1/4 of Sec. 1, T 22 N, R 8 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none