

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

HOYT SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Hoyt, Oklahoma 040, Haskell County 061; Sec. 9, T 9 N, R 19 E

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

OWNER: Hoyt Community, Hoyt, OK 74440

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Haskell County Courthouse, Stigler, OK 74462

DESCRIPTION: Good condition; unaltered; original site

A four room building, the Hoyt school is a single story, rectangular (75' x 45') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone. The hipped roof, covered now with composition shingles, has a gable dormer without lights above the front archway to the recessed doors. Doors on either end are also recessed behind archways. Classroom window openings reach to the eaves; the wood sash windows, resting on concrete sills, are original.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-1940; builder/architect: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

The structure, replacing one condemned as unsafe, is important because it created a new enthusiasm for learning in an area that suffered from educational disinterest. Architecturally the building, still in use as a community center, is unique in the area because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship. The school building is especially significant because construction of it provided work opportunities for unemployed farmers and coal miners in the rural community of Hoyt who had been made destitute by the depression.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: One acre

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

UTM: 15 290755 3904960

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Situated on the southeast corner of the Hoyt community, the property line begins at the NW corner of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 9, T 9 N, R 19 E and runs east 118 feet, south 370 feet, west 118 feet, and north 370 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 40-A