

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
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PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

7. Local survey organization
Philadelphia Historical Commission

1. County
Philadelphia
 5. present name
F. Amadee Breyer School

8. property owners name and address
 School District of Philadelphia
 21st & Winter Streets
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

9. tax parcel number / other number
886185500
 11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)
PHRS (6-5-1981)

10. U.T.M. zone **18** easting **484860**
 2 acres **4418060** northing
 usgs sheet: **Philadelphia**

12. classification
 site () structure () object ()
 building () **Thematic**
 in N.R. district yes () no ()

13. date(s) (how determined)
1923-1924
 14. period
1923-1924

15. style, design or folk type
Colonial Revival

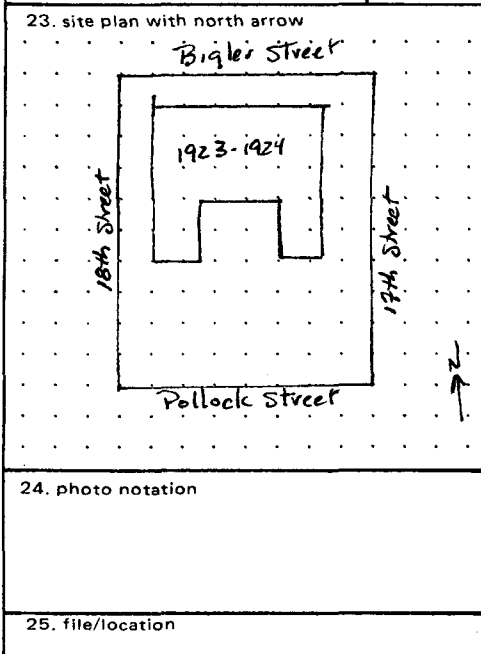
19. original use **School**
 20. present use **School**

16. architect or engineer
Irwin T. Catharine

17. contractor or builder
unknown

18. primary building mat./construction
Brick with stone trimmings

21. condition **Good**
 22. integrity **Good**



6. other name (historic name if any)
N/A
 2. municipality
Philadelphia
 3. street address or specific location
1700 Bigler Street
 4. survey code

BLACK AND WHITE PRINT(S)
 3 1/2" x 5" enlargement or medium format contact
 note location of negative in block 24.

24. photo notation

25. file/location

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)

See reverse side

(continue on back if necessary)

27. history, significance and/or background

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28. sources of information

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29. prepared by:
Jefferson M. Moak
 30. date
5-28-87
 revision(s)

3. ADDRESS: Bigler Street, 1700
5. NAME: Bregy, F. Amadee, School
6. FORMER NAME:

13. DATES: 1923-1924

ADDITIONS:

DESCRIPTION: A 3-story, 9-register, brick building set upon a raised brick basement. The left and right registers are recessed with narrow horizontal openings on each floor. The interior registers are set within a shallow U in a 1-5-1 pattern. Large stone arched surrounds appear on the first level, which is between floors. A double stone cornice sits above these arches. Square openings pierce the third floor. Another stone cornice appears above the third floor openings. A brick parapet capped by stone coping is above this cornice. The name of the school is carved within this parapet. The side elevations measure five registers with a projecting entrance pavilion in the second register from the front. These entrances are framed with double pilasters and an entablature. A large arched opening appears above this entryway. The remaining registers have bands of double-hung windows in a 1-3-1 pattern. A stone dripcourse appears above the basement; stone cornices above the second and third floors.

HISTORY/SIGN.: The School District of Philadelphia engaged in an ambitious building program in the early 1920s. Eight junior high schools and 13 elementary schools were authorized between September 1921 and December 1923, along with numerous additions to existing schools. Of the 13 elementary schools, eight were constructed from the same set of plans, School Board Type Number 137. The first was the Ferguson School, awarded in September 1921. The second was the Cassidy School, in 1922. The other six, all begun during 1923, are the Edmunds, Hamilton Disston, Logan, Mann, Bregy and Blankenburg Schools, respectively. The design is another which adhered to many of the standards set up by H. deCourcy Richards when he was Chief Designer, similar to that employed for the Patterson, Thomas and Fell Schools in 1920-1922.

National Register Criteria: C, Architecture

Boundary Justification: The nominated property contains the contributing building and all historically associated land.

28. SOURCES: Edmunds, Chronological List of Public School Buildings 1818-1934 School Board, "New Buildings Under Contract"

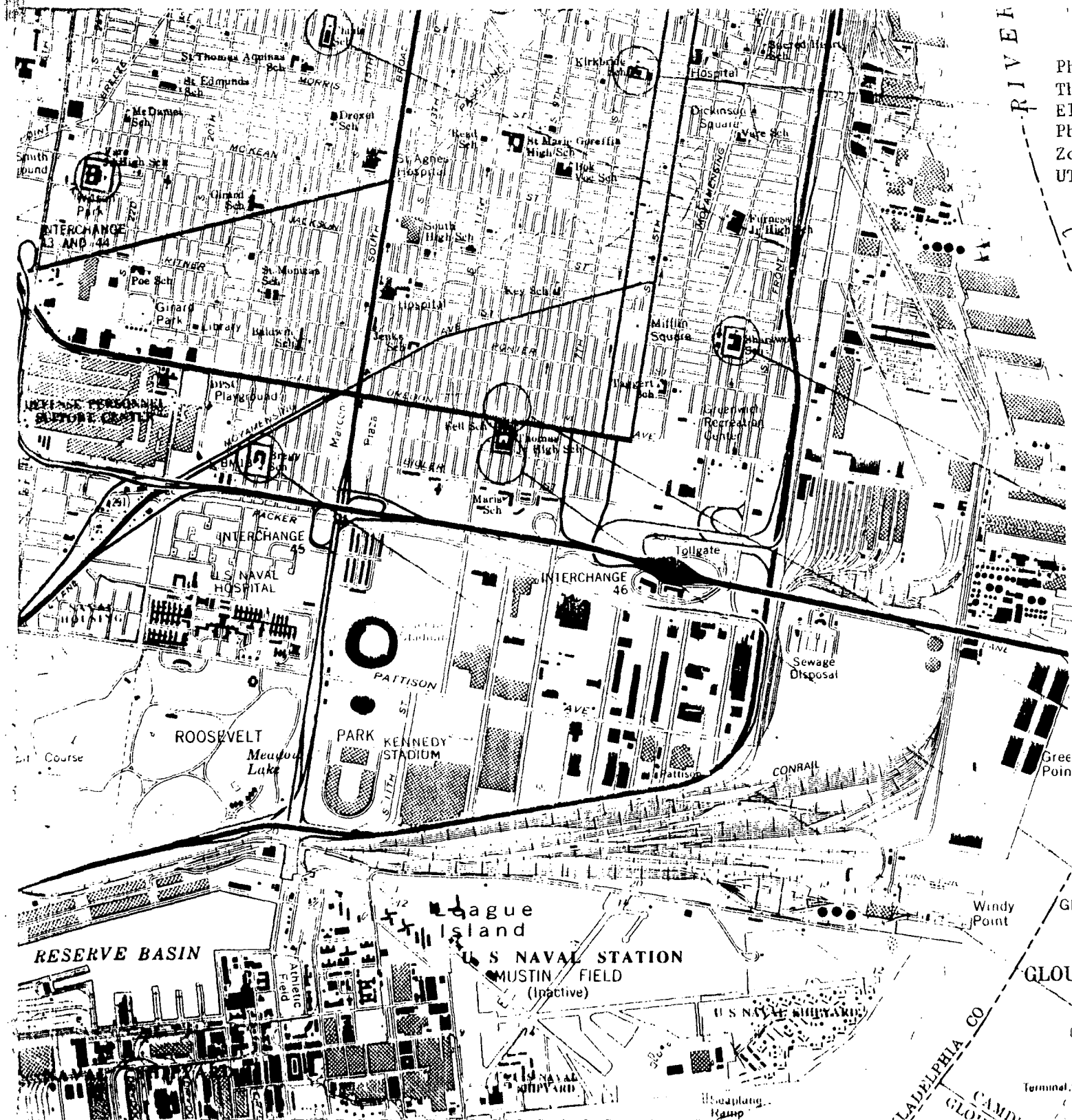
EVALUATION: This building warrants inclusion to the National Register as part of the Philadelphia Public Schools Thematic Resources nomination.

There is one contributing building on the nominated property.

Verbal boundary: the nominated property is tax parcel #886185500

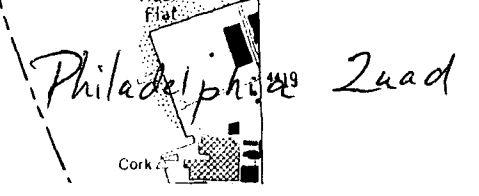
EVALUATION

EVALUATOR(S)



Zone 18
UTM 18/486000/4420160

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
Eliza Butler Kirkbride School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/486630/4419790



Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
George Childs School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/485200/4419940

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
George Sharswood School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/487080/4418530

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
D. Newlin Fell School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/486000/4418160

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
George Thomas School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/486240/4419150

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Thematic Nomination
F. Amadee Bregy
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
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