

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
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7. Local survey organization

8. property owners name and address

School District of Philadelphia
 21st & Winter Streets
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

9. tax parcel number / other number

10. U.T.M. zone 18 Easting 418161310

11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)

Northing 4142101210

usgs sheet:

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

13. date(s) (how determined)

1925-1927

14. period

1921-1940

15. style, design or folk type

Academic Gothic

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 limestone
 trimmings

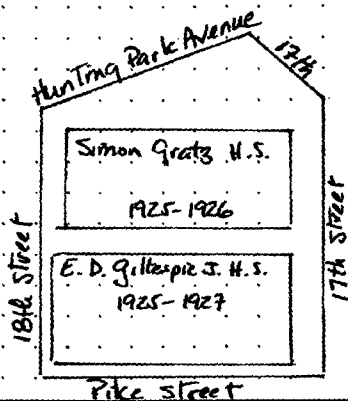
21. condition

Good

22. integrity

Good

23. site plan with north arrow



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

5-29-87

revision(s)

(continue on back if necessary)

5. present name
 Elizabeth Duane Gillespie Junior High School

6. other name (historic name if any)
 N/A

3. street address or specific location
 3901-3961 N. 18th Street (NEc 18th & Pike Streets)

1. County
 Philadelphia

2. municipality
 Philadelphia

3. street address or specific location

4. survey code

3. ADDRESS: 18th Street, 3901-3961 N.

5. NAME: Gillespie, Elizabeth D., Junior High School

6. FORMER NAME:

13. DATES: 1925-1927

ADDITIONS:

DESCRIPTION: A 4-story, 17-register, brick building set upon a raised brick basement. A stone dripcourse runs above the basement openings. The end two registers on each side are within a projected pavilion. A single arched opening pierces each register on the ground floor; the upper floors have no openings. Carved limestone decorates the top of each pavilion. The center register contains a single large stone Gothic arched entryway, two sets of openings on the third and fourth levels and three levels of carved tracery within a large battlemented tower. Each of the remaining 12 registers, 6 on either side of the main entrance, contain paired arched openings on the ground floor, triple rectangular openings on the second and third floors and triple sash within a large arched opening on the fourth level. Brick piers separate each register. The side elevations each measure 11 registers; two each on the end pavilions. Projecting 1-story entrances fill the third register from each end.

HISTORY/SIGN.: Between 1925 and 1928, a second generation of junior high schools were constructed throughout the city. The first set, using Type Number JHS-4, included eight structures built between 1922 and 1924. This set, Type Number JHS-6, included five buildings: the William H. Shoemaker School (1925-1927), the Elizabeth Duane Gillespie School (1925-1926), the William T. Tilden School (1926-1927), the Thomas Fitzsimons School (1926-1927) and the Penn Treaty School (1927-1928). The Shoemaker and Tilden Schools were included as part of the Philadelphia Public Schools Thematic District of 1986. The other three schools are identical and should also be so recognized.

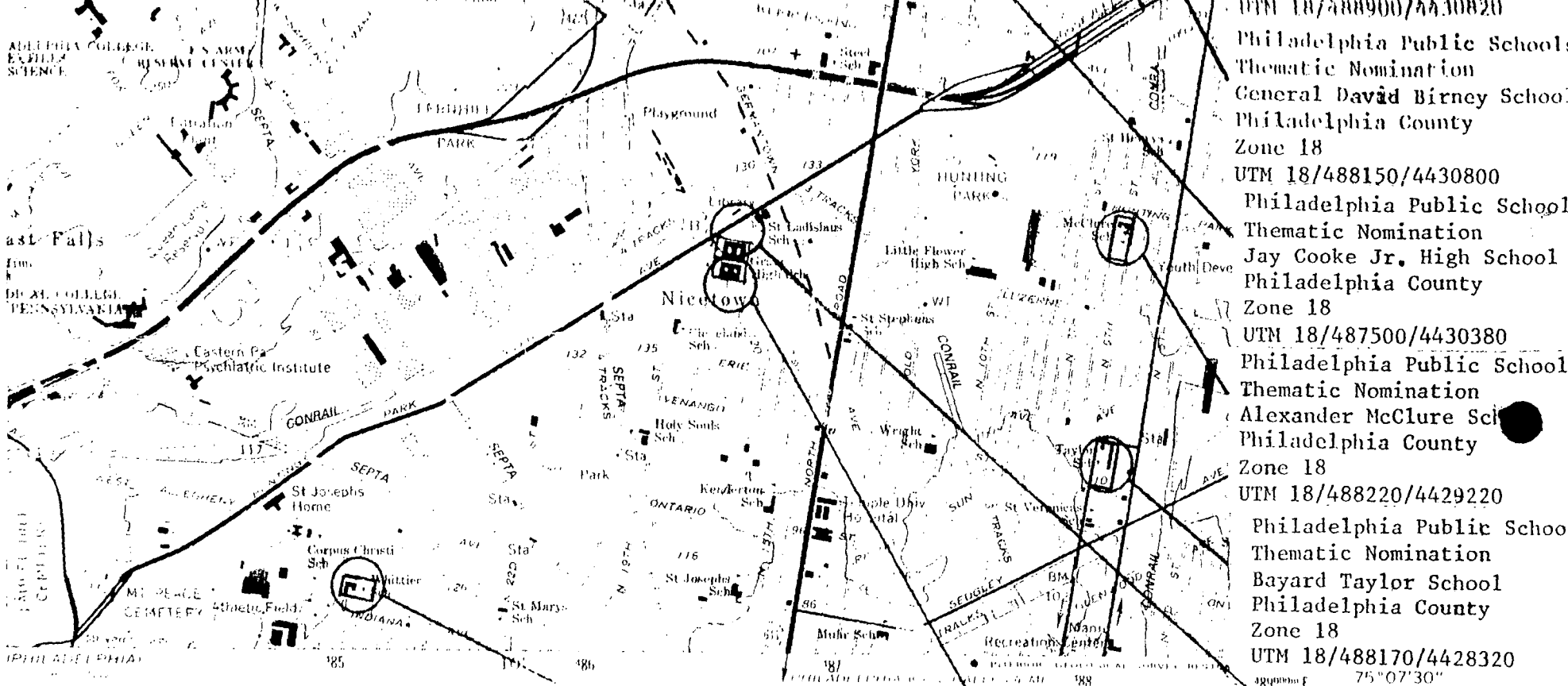
The Gillespie School was built in conjunction with the Simon Gratz Senior High School at 18th and Pike Streets. Both schools were completed in 1927.

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

EVALUATION: This building should be included as part of the Philadelphia Public Schools Thematic District.

EVALUATION

EVALUATOR(S)



UTM 18/488900/4430820
Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
General David Birney School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18

UTM 18/488150/4430800
Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
Jay Cooke Jr. High School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18

UTM 18/487500/4430380
Philadelphia Public School
Thematic Nomination
Alexander McClure Sch
Philadelphia County
Zone 18

UTM 18/488220/4429220
Philadelphia Public School
Thematic Nomination
Bayard Taylor School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18

UTM 18/488170/4428320
75°07'30"

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VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
John Greenleaf Whittier School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/485130/4427800

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
Elizabeth Gillespie School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/486630/4429020

Philadelphia Public Schools
Thematic Nomination
Simon Gratz School
Philadelphia County
Zone 18
UTM 18/486650/4429110

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