



ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY - DATE ADDED: _____

1. NAME OF PROPERTY

Historic: McKenzie High School
and/or Common: _____

2. LOCATION

Street & Number: 221 N. Garland Road
City: McKenzie
State: Alabama County: Butler Zip: 36456-
USGS Quad Map: _____ Township/Section/Range: _____

3. CLASSIFICATION

Category: Building(s) District Structure Site Object
Ownership: Public Private Both
Status: Occupied Unoccupied Work in progress
Public Acquisition: In process Being considered
Accessible: No Yes: restricted Yes: unrestricted

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

Name: Butler County Board of Education Telephone: (334) 382-2665
Street & Number: 211 School Highlands Road
City or Town: Greenville State: AL Zip: 36456-
Email: butlercountyboe@butlerco.k12.al.us

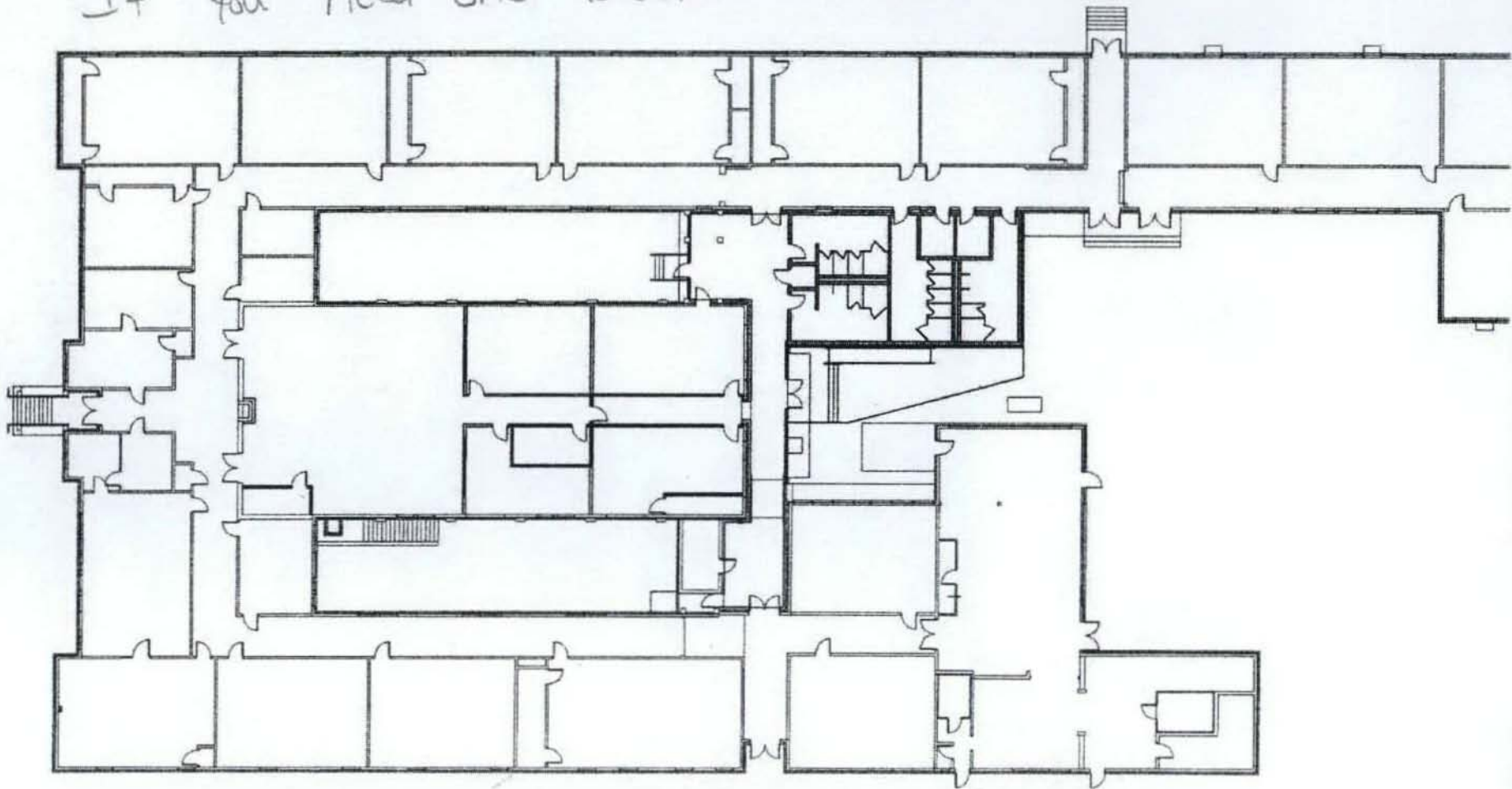
5. FLOOR PLAN & SITE PLAN

Attach sketched floor plan. If the property includes more than one building, submit a site plan showing the locations, dates of construction, and uses of the buildings.

See next page

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If you need one labeled I can send one.

Front
of
Building



6. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Construction Date:	1929	Source:	Records, alumni
Alteration Date:	Many over time; latest 2009	Source:	principal
Architect:	unknown	Builder:	unknown
Physical Condition: (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor)	good	Remaining Historic Fabric: (High, Medium, Low)	high
No. of stories:	1	No. of front bays:	4
Historic use of property:	school		
Current use of property:	school		
Architectural Style:		Building Form:	
Main roof configuration:	Cross gable	Roof finish material:	Tar, shingle
Exterior wall materials:	brick		
Porch type:	none	Foundation material:	brick
Window type and materials:	casement		
Describe alterations:	Alterations have been made to the interior, but original floors, walls, and other historic characteristics remain.		
Number and type of all outbuildings:	4 outbuildings: 1)gym; 2)business built, c. 1970s; 3)original lunchroom; 4) original ag & home ec. Building—now classrooms		
<p>Exterior Architectural Description: One story, U-shaped brick building. It has a shingle roof. The elementary portion is on the left and the high school portion is on the right side. The front entrance has white trim on the windows. There are steps with handrails in the center of the front entrance. All of our windows have the same white trim or siding. There are other classroom buildings on site and a concession stand. Other buildings are a red brick Ag and Business department and an old canning plant. The gym is also red brick and stands at the back of the campus. We have a block field house on the football field as well as an announcer's booth beside the field.</p>			
<p>Description of Setting: McKenzie High School sits on top of small hill with a rolling front yard. Various shrubs and trees are planted all over campus. The Builders Club has also purchased flower pots and flowers for the front of the school building. Other community and church groups have planted or provided flowering plants for other areas of the school campus. There is a cement walkway in the front of the school that provides wheelchair access to the front of the campus. Surrounding the campus is the community. A small connecting road is on the right side of the school and runs from the main highway, Garland Road, to other small roads behind the school.</p>			

7. SIGNIFICANCE

Criteria (check all that apply and explain below). See Instructions for more information.

Criterion A: Associated with historical events and activities relating to the property that are important to the history of the community, state, or nation.

Criterion B: Person or group with whom the property is associated is important to the history of the community, state, or nation.

Criterion C: Type, period, or method of construction represents architectural features that are significant in the development of the community, state, or nation.

Criterion D: Property has yielded or may be likely to yield, information important in Alabama's history or prehistory.

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (check all that apply and explain below)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> art | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input type="checkbox"/> theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> funerary art | <input type="checkbox"/> music | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> communications | <input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

For each area of significance checked above, explain why this property is important. Use additional sheets as necessary.

McKenzie High School is eligible for the Alabama Register under Criteria A for Education and Criteria C for Architecture. It is a locally significant example of a U shaped educational facility built in 1929 that continues to serve the educational needs of the town of McKenzie. Built in 1929, the outside appearance of this building has not changed. It is well preserved and maintained. The building sits on the site that was donated by several community members at its founding. The current building was preceded by two buildings that were destroyed by fire.

The school is used as a K-4 through 12th grade facility and is the center of the community. Many events significant in the community have been held here: funerals, storm/evacuation shelter, town hall meetings, sporting events (other than regular school events), etc. Organizations such as United Methodist Women and Women of Faith always have planting and cleaning days on campus in order to help keep the campus attractive. Parades and town festivals are always planned around the grounds.

Main Building: c. 1929/1931

Renovations since 2004: new media center; computer labs; restrooms; new corridor connecting elementary & high school; new water drainage system; renovation of front stoop.

Gym: 1961

Ag building: 1977; new siding 2000; handicap ramp 2004

8. BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Use attached sheets as necessary

Interview, Mr. Griffin, longtime McKenzie resident, interview by McKenzie School Students, March 2, 2010.

Interview, Mr. Williams, Principal McKenzie High School, interview by MHS Students, March 3, 2010.

Interview, Mrs. Laura Shell, McKenzie High School Librarian, interview by McKenzie students, March 3, 2010.

9. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreage of nominated property: 30 acres

Attach a map showing the location of the property.

10. FORM PREPARED BY

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Organization: _____

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Date: March 8, 2010

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State: AL Zip: 36456

11. PHOTOGRAPHS:

Images are essential to the review process. They can be 4x6 color prints or digital images on a CD/DVD. All photographs will become the property of the AHC and will not be returned.

12. REMINDER:

Along with this completed application, include attachments for Items 5, 9 and 11 and send them to:

Alabama Historical Commission
Attn: Lee Anne Wofford
P.O. Box 300900
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900

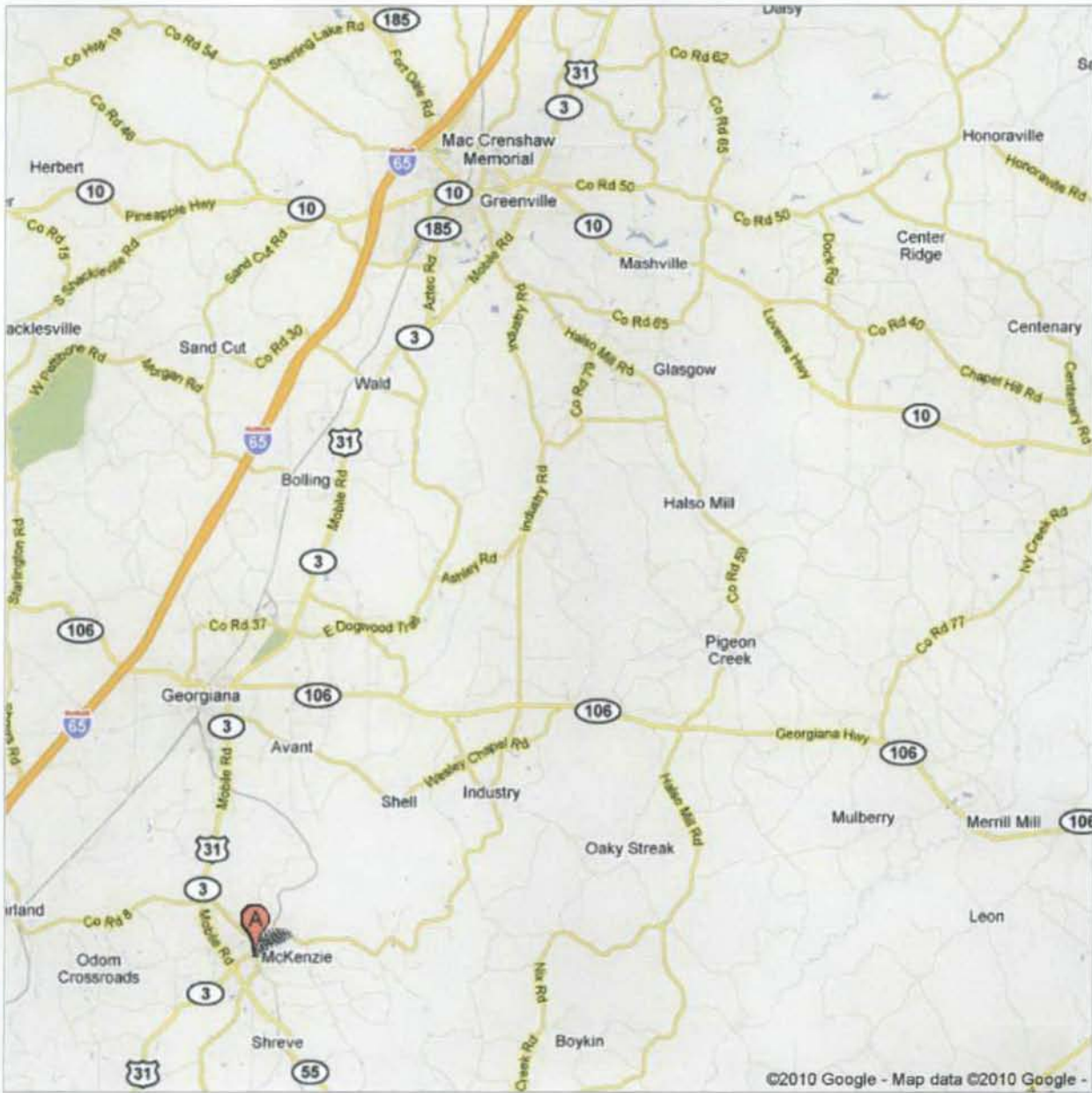


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