



ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

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I. NAME OF PROPERTY

Historic Name: City School

and/or Common Name: College Street Elementary School

Preferred name for Certificate: Historic Name or Common Name

2. LOCATION

Street & Number: 605 West College St

City: Enterprise

State: Alabama County: Coffee Zip: 36330

Is the property located within the city limits? Yes No

Latitude: 3+⁰ 31.310447 Longitude: -85.860441

Township: _____ Range: _____ Section: _____ USGS Quad Map: _____

3. CLASSIFICATION

Category: Building(s) District Structure Site Object

Ownership: Public Private Both

Status: Occupied Unoccupied Work in progress

Accessible: No Yes: restricted Yes: unrestricted

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

Name: City of Enterprise

Address: P.O. Box 311000

City: Enterprise State: Alabama Zip: 36330

Telephone: 334-347-1211

Email: City Clerk: bssweeney@cityofenterprise.ne

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.

6. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION See Instructions for more information.

Construction date:	1919	Source:	Cornerstone
Alteration date:	1925 Hirsch & Jones, Montgomery, Architect	Source:	Cornerstone
Architect/Builder:	Frank Lockwood, Architect, 1919	Contractor:	Lamar Fleming Contractor/Builder
Physical condition: (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, Ruinous)	Good to Excellent	Remaining historic fabric: (High, Medium, Low)	High
No. of stories:	2 with partial basement		
Historic use of property:	Elementary School – Grades 1 through 7		
Current use of property:	Elementary School – Grades 1 through 6		
Architectural style category:	Mixed	Architectural style sub-category:	Federal with Baux Arts
Basic typology:	Free Standing	Basic shape:	Center Block with Wings
Basic floor plan:	Unknown	Historic Construction material(s):	Brick
Current exterior wall material(s):	Brick	Roof finish material(s):	Unknown
Main roof configuration:	Flat with centered pediment	Foundation material:	Unknown
Porch type:	Attached, entry porch		
Window type and materials:	Five-ranked, double hung wood windows		
Describe alterations:	1925 – Addition included additional classrooms consistent with original architectural style. 1965 – Addition included library; 1990's wing built for additional classrooms.		
Number and type of all outbuildings on the property: (if significant, fill out separate survey form)			
<p>Exterior Architectural Description: Architecturally, the school is a variant of Federal ⁽¹⁾ in style with a Baux Arts influence. (The building is very similar in style to the Demopolis Public School which is listed on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places as Baux Arts architectural style.)⁽²⁾ The building is two stories over a below grade partial basement. The five-ranked windows are aligned both vertically and horizontally with 12 small panes per sash. The front façade features a covered porch which is centered and supported by two Tuscan style columns⁽³⁾ with steps leading to double doors. There are two windows with six over six panes centered over the covered porch. The flat roof is concealed with a brick parapet. A pediment centered in the roof line is inscribed "City School, 1919" and is centered over the covered porch. The building material is brick of which the citizens of Enterprise donated 250,000 bricks to aid in the construction of the school. The building was painted white, probably in the mid-1950's; the exact date is unknown. The majority of the original structure is unaltered. The 1925 addition, designed by architect Hirsch and Jones of Montgomery, were to add much needed classrooms. A library and additional classrooms were added in 1965. Even though additions have been made to the original structure, the original design and integrity of the building have been maintained.</p>			
<p>Description of Setting: City School aka College Street Elementary School is located on West College Street, three blocks from downtown Enterprise, Alabama. The front of the school is beautifully landscaped and maintained with a variety of small trees and shrubs. There is a curved driveway and limited parking for visitors. On the west side, there is a small fenced area which is used for picnics and outdoor activities for the students. On the other side is a residence. The rear of the school is partially paved to provide parking space for faculty and staff. There is also playground equipment located behind the building. The school is surrounded by homes which were built in the early 1900's to 1950's. Many of these dwellings have been restored and the area has a pleasing, well-loved appearance.⁽⁴⁾ The neighborhood in which the school is located is a neighborhood of well maintained vintage homes, tree-lined streets, sidewalks, public green spaces and is in proximity to the historic downtown district.⁽⁵⁾</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 (archaeological component).

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

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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

Criterion B and C: City School aka College Street Elementary is being nominated for listing in the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage under Criterion B and C, Architect and Architecture. The school is significant as an outstanding example of Federal style with a Beaux Arts influence style of architecture. Frank Lockwood of Montgomery Alabama was the architect responsible for the design of the school which is located in Enterprise Alabama. "Mr. Lockwood is considered by architectural historians to be one of the most accomplished Alabama architects of the late 19th and early 20th Century." One of his most notable projects was his design with Charles McKim for the addition to the Alabama State Capitol in 1905 (Gamble, Robert, "Frank Lockwood: Montgomery's 'Edwardian' Architect: p.5.)[1].⁽⁶⁾ The original structure, which is identified by inscription in the pediment as City School, is very similar in architectural style to the Demopolis Public School, located in Demopolis, Alabama, which is a historic public school. It was designed by Mr. Frank Lockwood in the Beaux-Arts style and was completed in 1914. This school was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 28, 1983.⁽⁷⁾

Although the school building has been modified with additions over the years, the original integrity of the building remains intact. The façade of the building remains the same as the original 1919 design. The brick have been painted white over the years but the material is original to the building. The interior layout is the same as originally designed with a front hallway with offices to the right. The hallway leads to the auditorium which still has the original stage, seating and radiators. The doors leading to the auditorium are the original paneled doors with the original transom glass. An intersecting hallway leads to the classrooms, the library, stairs to the second floor, and to the lunchroom. The wooden floors, which are now sealed, are the same floors which were waxed for many years. This school building is the only remaining original school building in Enterprise of this time period. The Coffee County High School, which welcomed the first students in 1905 and was located on the same street, was razed earlier this year. None of the historical features of the 1905 school were salvaged for public use.

Historical Summary: Between 1915 and 1918, the local economy in Enterprise Alabama and all of Coffee County was devastated by the invasion of the boll weevil which destroyed the majority of the cotton crop, the main source of income for the local area.⁽⁹⁾ During this time period, the local residents not only saw the need for a building to support the educational requirements of Enterprise, but took action to make it happen. Led by then Council Member, Mr. Roscoe Owen (R. O.) "Ben" Fleming, funding from the town council was obtained along with a donation of 250,000 bricks, land was obtained, Mr. Lockwood was contracted to design the building and in 1919, the doors were opened for the first time to welcome grades 1 through 7. The school has been an important part of the Enterprise educational system since that time.

College Street Elementary School, first known as City School, is 96 years old. The building was built in 1919 and originally served grades one through seven. It is located on West College Street, but the name of the street at the time the school was built was Henry Street. The school was founded by Councilman Roscoe Owen (R. O.) "Ben" Fleming who saw the need for a larger elementary school for Enterprise. The 12 room school building was built with financing from the town council and a donation of 250,000 bricks. The school has proudly served the community's educational needs for almost 100 years. College Street Elementary currently serves students in grades one through six.⁸ The school was decommissioned by the School Board and at the end of the 2015 school year the doors will be closed to future students.

With a prolific career in architectural design, Frank Lockwood is considered by architectural historians to be one of the most accomplished Alabama architects of the late 19th and early 20th Century. He was born in Trenton, New Jersey in 1866, and although no record exists of any formal architectural training, he was an apprentice for several years in the New York office of George B. Post. In the late 1880s or early 1890s, Lockwood moved to Columbus, Georgia where he set up a firm and was joined in partnership by his brother Thomas in 1892⁹. Lockwood left Columbus by the mid-1890s and moved to Montgomery Alabama where he lived until his death in 1936. Several fine residences in the Silk Stocking National Register Historic District in Talladega, Alabama have been attributed to Mr. Lockwood. One of his most notable projects was his design with Charles McKim for an addition to the Alabama State Capitol in 1905¹⁰.

Upon completion of the design, Lamar Fleming, an Enterprise resident contractor/builder, was contracted to construct the school. According to the 1920 United States Federal Census¹¹, Mr. Fleming was a widower and lived on Brunson Street in Enterprise with his father Benjamin W. Fleming.

8. BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Use attached sheets as necessary

1. Bruce Wentworth, *Ask the Architect*, [http: Federal Style Architecture Facts and History/Guide to Architectural Styles/Home Design Tips From Ask The Architect.org](http://FederalStyleArchitectureFactsandHistory/GuideToArchitecturalStyles/HomeDesignTipsFromAskTheArchitect.org)
2. "National Register Information System" (http://nrhp.focus.nps.gov/natreg/does/All_Data.html). *National Register of Historic Places*. National Park Service. 2008-04-15
3. Jackie Craron, Architecture Expert, *What is a Tuscan Column?*, <http://architecture.about.com/od/buildingparts/g/tuscon-column.htm>
4. Written input: Rosemary Heath Carter, former student of Enterprise City School (1948-1952), retired teacher of College Street Elementary School aka Enterprise City (1983-2003), life-long resident of Enterprise Alabama.
5. Michelle Mann, Reporter, *The Enterprise Ledger*, "Mayor Addresses Request for Input from Westside Neighborhood Association", April 15, 2015
6. E. Patrick McIntyre, Jr., and Trina Binkley, AHC Reviewer, *Bell House, Autauga County, Alabama*, nomination document, 1998, National Park Service, National Register of Historic Places, Washington D.C.
7. "National Register Information System" (http://nrhp.nps.gov/natreg/docs/All_Data.html). *National Register of Historic Places*, National Park Service 2008-05-15
8. [Http://collegestreet.at.ece.schoolinsites.com/?PageName=%27AboutTheSchool%27](http://collegestreet.at.ece.schoolinsites.com/?PageName=%27AboutTheSchool%27)
9. Brown, Elizabeth via "Lockwood's Legacy", *Montgomery Advertiser*, May 28, 1994
10. Gamble, Robert, "Frank Lockwood: Montgomery's 'Edwardian' Architect", p.5.)
11. United States Federal Census, *1920 Census*, State of Alabama, Coffee County, Enterprise AL, dtd 6 Jan 1920

9. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreege of nominated property: See Attachment 2 for map with dimensions of property

Attach a map showing the location of the property. See Attachment 3

10. Person Applying for Historic Register Designation

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State: Florida

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NOTE: As the nomination procedure began for the school, interest in the community has grown. A group of former students (1948 timeframe) and former teachers have formed a loosely formed organization that has been identified as the SOS (Support Our School) group. The contact information above is representative of the group and will be the point of contact for additional information.

11. PHOTOGRAPHS: Attachment 4 is a CD of school photos with an index of the photos.

12. LISTING OF ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment #1: Sketch of floor plan using 2014-2015 school year Fire/Emergency Exit Plan. (Reference Item #5)

Attachment #2: Google Map showing dimensions for property. (Reference Item #9)

Attachment #3: Google Map showing street location and neighborhood of property. (Reference Item #9)

Attachment #4: Compact Disc (CD) of photos of property with an index of pictures. (Reference Item #11)

13. REMINDER:

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

Alabama Historical Commission
Attn: Jennifer Bailey
468 S. Perry Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900

334.230.2643

Jennifer.Bailey@preserveala.org

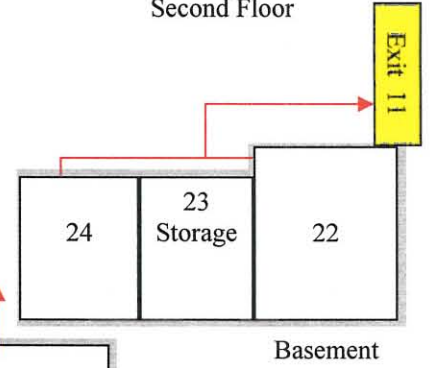
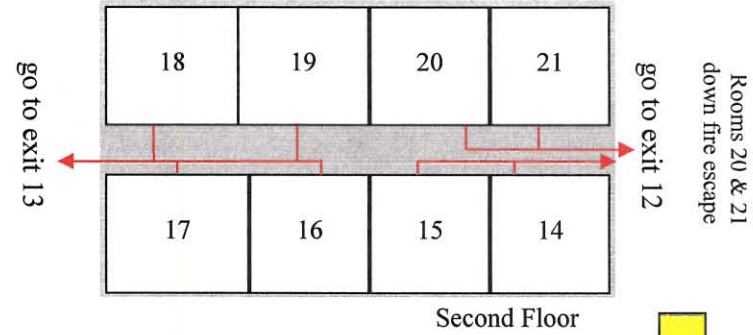
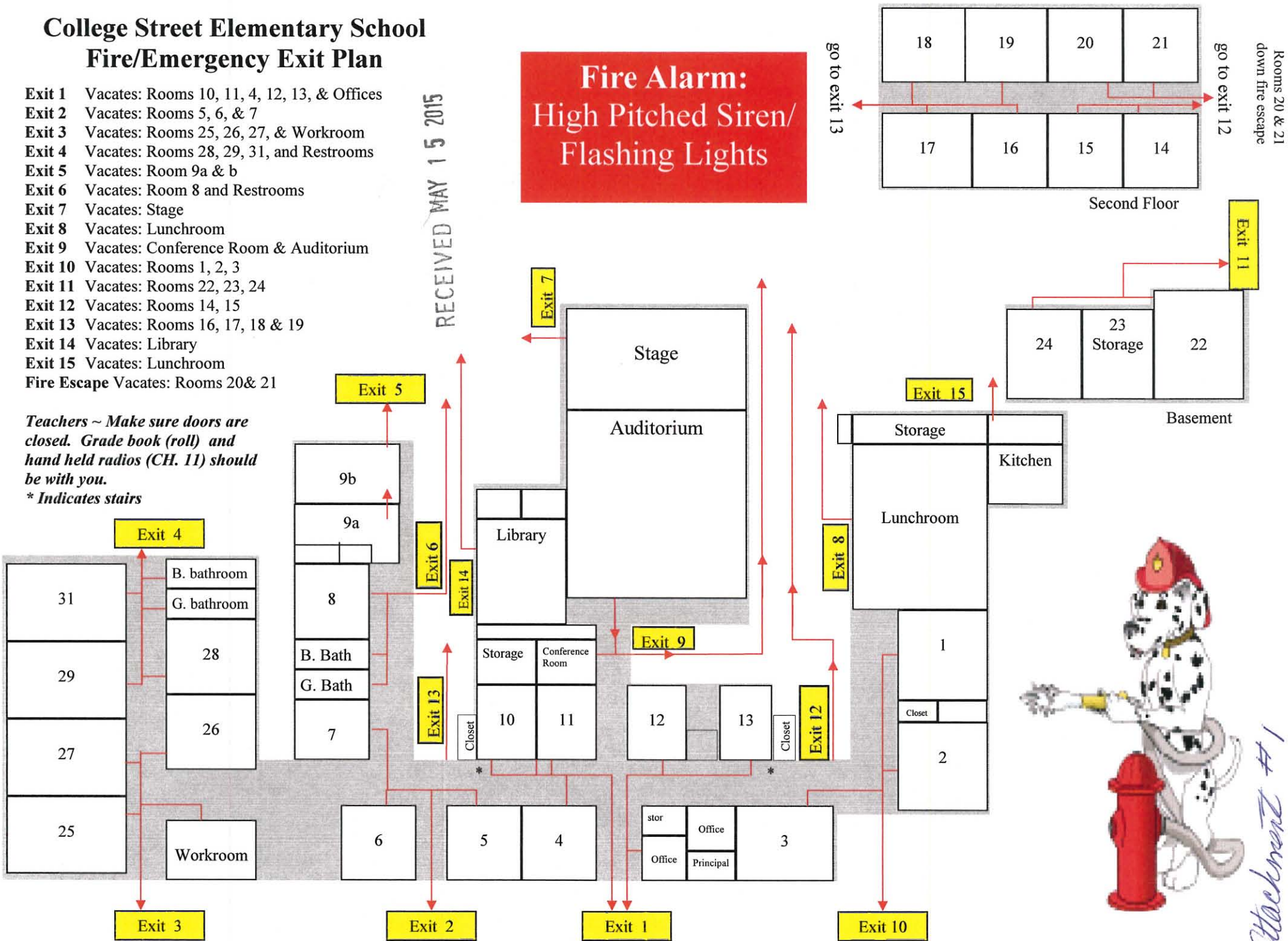
College Street Elementary School Fire/Emergency Exit Plan

- Exit 1** Vacates: Rooms 10, 11, 4, 12, 13, & Offices
- Exit 2** Vacates: Rooms 5, 6, & 7
- Exit 3** Vacates: Rooms 25, 26, 27, & Workroom
- Exit 4** Vacates: Rooms 28, 29, 31, and Restrooms
- Exit 5** Vacates: Room 9a & b
- Exit 6** Vacates: Room 8 and Restrooms
- Exit 7** Vacates: Stage
- Exit 8** Vacates: Lunchroom
- Exit 9** Vacates: Conference Room & Auditorium
- Exit 10** Vacates: Rooms 1, 2, 3
- Exit 11** Vacates: Rooms 22, 23, 24
- Exit 12** Vacates: Rooms 14, 15
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- Exit 14** Vacates: Library
- Exit 15** Vacates: Lunchroom
- Fire Escape** Vacates: Rooms 20& 21

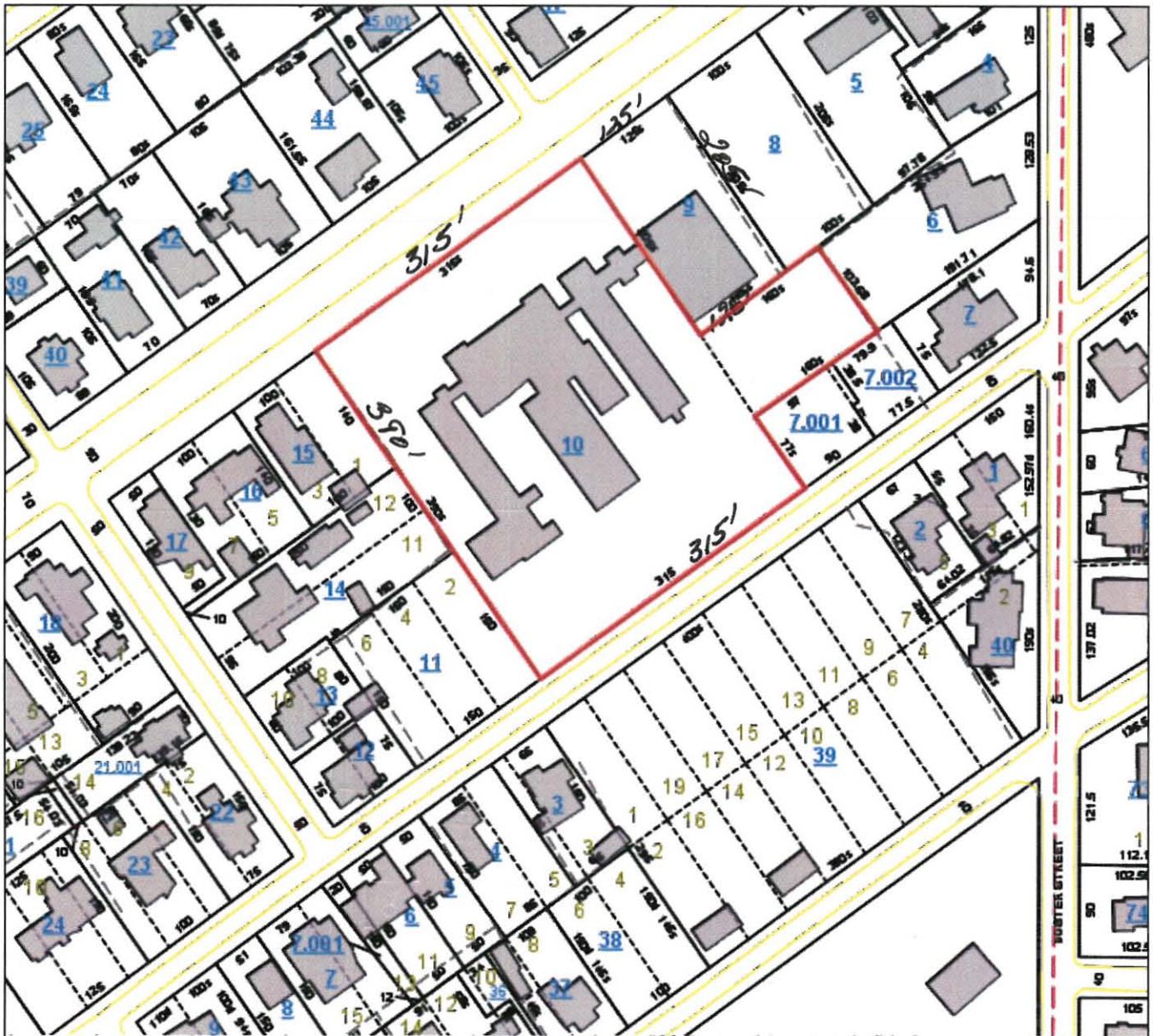
Teachers ~ Make sure doors are closed. Grade book (roll) and hand held radios (CH. 11) should be with you.
** Indicates stairs*

**Fire Alarm:
High Pitched Siren/
Flashing Lights**

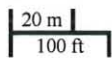
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Attachment #1



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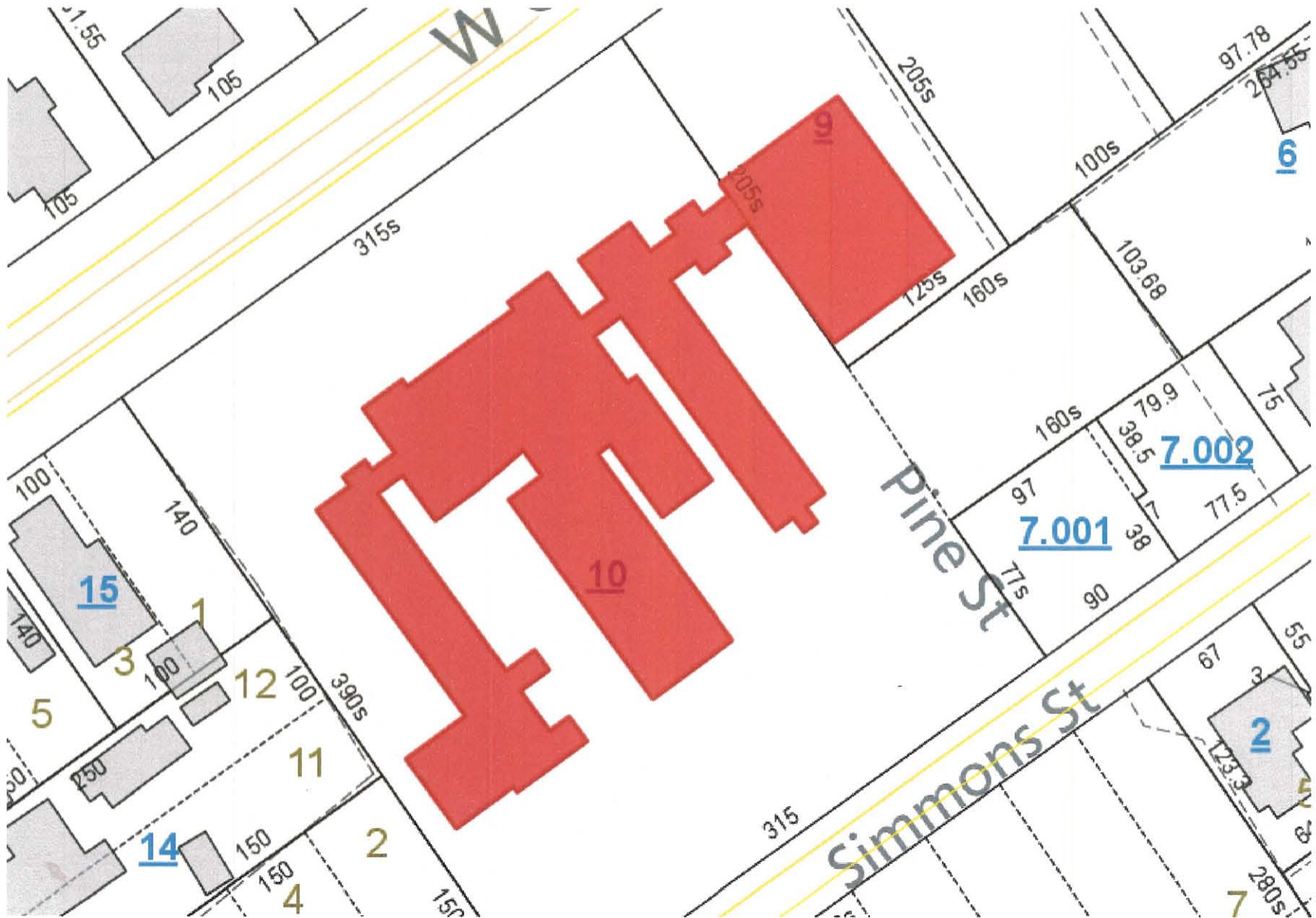


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Attachment #2 (1)

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Attachment #2 (2)



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Attachment #3