

DAYTON HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY

ASSESSOR MAP NUMBER: 4-3-17 CD TAX LOT NUMBER: 2900

PLAT NAME: Lippincott's Second Addition LOT: 1,5,6,7,8,9,10,11 BLOCK: 8
12, and part of 2

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 801 Ferry Street

CURRENT OWNER: Dayton High School

801 Ferry Street, Dayton, OR

ORIGINAL OWNER: Dayton High School Contributing: 1 School

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: C.N. Freeman and Co./H.G. Setergreen Noncontributing: 2 Outbuild-
ings

STYLE OF ARCHITECTURE: Modernistic YEAR BUILT: 1935-37

HISTORIC NAME: Dayton High School HISTORIC USE: School

CURRENT NAME: Dayton High School CURRENT USE: School

CONDITION: Good ALTERATIONS: Moderate

PHOTOGRAPH ROLL-FRAME: 2-27A INTERVIEWEE: _____

RESOURCE NUMBER: 48 RECORDER: Demuth DATE: 10-29-84

SITE DESCRIPTION:

THEME: Architecture

Dayton High School faces southeast onto Ferry Street in a residential neighborhood, seven blocks from the city center. A playing field is to the south, across the street.

1.85 acres, more or less, to include Lots 8, 11, and 12 (or the SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Block 8 of Lippincott's Second Addition containing the historic school building.

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Dayton High School is a long, one story building which is rectangular in plan. A separate wing houses the stage and gymnasium. It has a concrete foundation and is faced with red brick in a header bond. A gable roof covering the building is partially hidden by the stepped brick parapet on the south facade. The parapet has rowlock and soldier coursing along the cornice. Windows throughout the building are one over one double hung sash; some of the original wooden window sash has been replaced with metal sash. The double entry door on the south facade has three lights and a multi-paned transom. Additions to the building are to the north and west.

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION:

Dayton High School is significant as one of two examples of Art Deco style architecture in the City of Dayton. The building was designed by C.N. Freeman and Company of Portland; construction started in 1935 under the direction of H.G. Setergreen, a building contractor. Built during the Depression, it was constructed as a Public Works Administration Project; the federal government paid \$20,000 toward the \$52,000 cost of the building.

Up until 1937, all Dayton students attended classes in the old school, located between Third and Fourth, Church and Oak streets. It was felt that the crowded classrooms there discouraged students from attending high school. In 1931, the voters passed a measure to organize the Union High School District #4. In the fall of 1937 when the high school opened, 103 students enrolled.

SIGNIFICANCE:

Dayton High School, constructed with PWA funding, is a well-maintained example of ^{the} Modernistic style of architecture, often used during this decade for government buildings.

SOURCES:

.Dayton Centennial, 1880-1980, Edit. June Bienz, 1980, pp.25,26.

.Fowler, Marcena, History of Dayton High School, material compiled for Senior Thesis, May, 1953.