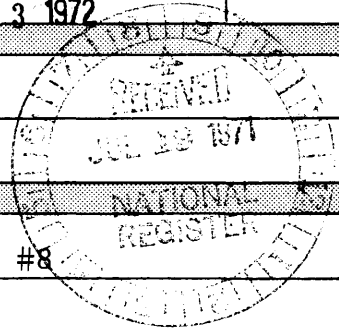


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)



1. NAME
 COMMON: Sam Houston Schoolhouse
 AND/OR HISTORIC: _____

2. LOCATION
 STREET AND NUMBER: NE of Maryville, Tenn, & Sam Houston Schoolhouse Road - Route #8
 CITY OR TOWN: Maryville, Tenn.
 STATE: Tennessee CODE: 047 COUNTY: Blount CODE: 009

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
 OWNER'S NAME: State of Tennessee
 STREET AND NUMBER: _____
 CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ CODE: 047

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Register's Office - Blount County Courthouse
 STREET AND NUMBER: _____
 CITY OR TOWN: Maryville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 047

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
 TITLE OF SURVEY: _____
 DATE OF SURVEY: _____
 Federal State County Local
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: _____
 STREET AND NUMBER: _____
 CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ CODE: _____

STATE: Tennessee
 COUNTY: Blount
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

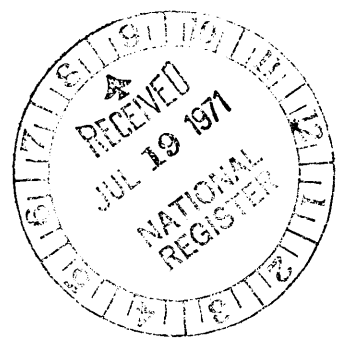
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This log house is thought to have been built in 1794 and still stands on its original site. The Schoolhouse measures 18' by 20' and has a stone fireplace in one end. A handsplit shingle roof originally covered the building and it still has a shingle roof. One door enters the one-room structure and two shutter-type windows provide light and air for the structure. The shutters opened downward and could be used as writing desks, too.

The building was ^{restored} reconstructed in 1954 and much of the material is original. Except for some logs which were replaced from other buildings contemporary with the school, the other materials are original or very old. The sills and floor were placed in the building about 1838 replacing the dirt floor. The ceiling is original except two cross beams. The roof has been replaced and also the 3 log benches which were used by the pupils.

The building stands in a quiet cove sheltered by oak, maple and sycamore trees, and just 40 feet from the schoolhouse door is a spring of clear water that was used for drinking water by the pupils.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

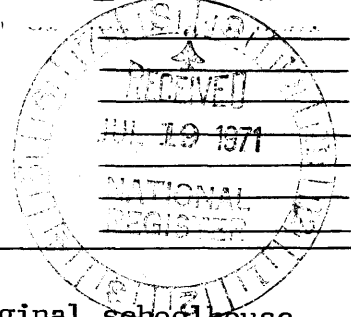
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1794

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Sam Houston Schoolhouse is the oldest original schoolhouse in Tennessee and is the only building left in the state having close association with Sam Houston. Sam Houston taught for the term in 1812 in the little private school located five miles east of Maryville on the farm of a John McCulloch. Houston was only 19 years of age at the time and had had very little formal schooling. He had attended Porter Academy in Maryville and was said to have been a prolific reader. It was said, for example, that Houston could quote from memory the best part of all twenty-four books of the Iliad.

Years after this teaching experience, after Sam Houston had served as a soldier and statesman he is said to have referred to this year as one of the most rewarding in his entire life.

The schoolhouse was bought by the State of Tennessee in 1945 and has been restored by the Sam Houston Memorial Association. It is open to the public regularly and on the grounds are picnic tables which are accessible to the public.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 8

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
May Dean Eberling, Director of Programs

ORGANIZATION: Tennessee Historical Commission DATE: 7-13-71

STREET AND NUMBER:
403 7th Avenue, North

CITY OR TOWN: Nashville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 047

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION **NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Stephen S. Lawrence
Stephen S. Lawrence
Executive Director

Title Tennessee Historical Commission

Date 7-19-71

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 6/13/72

ATTEST:

W. Woodford
Keeper of The National Register

Date May 26, 1972

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