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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Ridgeley School
other names PG 75A-28

2. Location

street & number 8507 Central Ave. not for publication
city or town Capitol Heights vicinity
state Maryland code MD county Prince George's code 033 zip code 20772

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments).

[Signature] 11-13-14
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments).

Signature of certifying official/Title Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that this property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 - determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 - Determined not eligible for the National Register.
 - removed from the National Register.
 - other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper Patrick Andrews Date of Action 5/1/2015

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

Rosenwald Schools of Maryland MPS

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Education: School

Recreation and Culture: Museum

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

No Style

foundation Concrete block

walls Wood

roof Asphalt

other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- Criteria A, B, C, D with checkboxes and descriptions.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply)

Property is:

- Criteria A-G with checkboxes and descriptions.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

Area of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

- Architecture, Education, Ethnic Heritage (Black), Social History

Period of Significance

1927-1963

Significant Dates

1927

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

African-American

Architect/Builder

Derived from plans provided by Julius Rosenwald Fund

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets)

Previous documentation on files (NPS):

- Criteria for previous documentation on files (NPS).

Primary location of additional data:

- Criteria for primary location of additional data.

Name of repository:

Ridgeley School (PG 75A-28)
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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property 2.173 acres Lanham, MD quad

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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	Zone		Easting			Northing									
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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan G. Pearl, Historian
Organization Prince George's County Historical Society date 3/2012, revised 11/14
street & number P. O. Box 14 telephone (310) 220-0330
city or town Riverdale state MD zip code 20738-0014

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO)

name Prince George's County Board of Education
street & number 14201 School Lane telephone _____
city or town Upper Marlboro state MD zip code 20772

Paperwork Reduction Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 *et. seq.*).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Description Summary:

Ridgeley¹ School is a one-story hip-roof frame building, typical of the two-classroom schoolhouses built in Prince George's County with assistance from the Julius Rosenwald Fund in the 1920s; a third classroom was added through the construction of a south wing some years after the original structure was opened. The building underwent a thorough and comprehensive restoration between 2009 and 2011, and was opened to the public as a museum and meeting place in September of 2011.

General Description:

Exterior

The main block of the Ridgeley School reflects the characteristics of typical two-classroom Rosenwald school plans – a one-story building of wood frame construction, five bays by five, with hipped roof. Entrance is in the central bay of the five-bay north façade; the three central bays project approximately two feet, creating a projecting vestibule which forms a recessed and sheltered entranceway into the building, accessed by a flight of concrete steps. A side door leads from the entranceway into each of the two original classrooms. This central north entrance is flanked by two 9/9 double-hung-sash windows lighting the two cloakrooms in the central projection; an 8/8 window, in the first and in the fifth bay, brings northern light into each of the classrooms. A later five-bay wing extends to the south, increasing the original two-classroom plan to provide a third classroom. The entire building is sheathed with new rectangular wood shingles, with natural finish, replicating the original siding of 1927.²

Original batteries of windows light the east and west side elevations of the main block, lighting the two original classrooms – a recognizable signature of Rosenwald school buildings. The battery of windows on each of the two elevations consists of five tall 12/12 double-hung-sash, extending to the eaves. There is one 9/9 rear window in the south elevation of the main block, just west of the juncture with the south wing.³

A rear wing has been constructed, extending to the south from the south, rear elevation of the original building. In the east elevation of this south wing is a battery of five large windows, 9/9 double-hung-sash, designed to complement the batteries of five windows in the main block. There is a door in the southernmost

¹ The spelling of Ridgley/Ridgeley varies. Although present-day members of the family spell their name "Ridgley", the newly restored schoolhouse, at the request of the family, will be known as "Ridgeley School."

² See photos of the original school building, included in the Fisk University database of original Rosenwald Archives photographs: <http://www.preservationnation.org/travel-and-sites/sites/southern-region/rosenwald-schools/>

³ This is the westernmost of the two rear (south) side-by-side windows that lighted the central passage of the building in its original form – the other was enclosed by the construction of the south wing.

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bay of this east elevation. Three small six-pane, single-sash windows light the west elevation of the wing, and there is a door in the first bay, allowing entrance to the wing from the west.

The hip roof of the building has been newly covered with gray synthetic shingles. It has a deep overhang at the eaves, with narrow-board soffits. There are two tall slim brick chimneys in the main block, in the south plane of the roof; these chimneys served the original stoves located in the south interior corner of each of the original classrooms. There is an additional exterior brick chimney at the south elevation of the rear wing; immediately to the south of this is a low wooden enclosure which encloses the new HVAC system.

Interior

The Ridgeley school building originally consisted of two large classrooms, separated by a central passage. Entrance to each of the classrooms is through a door in each side wall of the north entranceway. The entranceway itself is flanked by two symmetrical cloakrooms, which fill the space of the projecting central bays; each cloak room is accessed directly from its classroom.

The central passage is accessible from an interior door in each of the two classrooms. This central passage, originally used for home economics study, is presently used for display. The west classroom is set up to replicate a 1930s classroom with period desks, seats, and a teacher's desk. The east classroom is a display and educational meeting room, with wall displays illustrating the history of the Ridgeley School, and of the other Rosenwald schools of Prince George's County.

The south wing, which originally consisted of one large classroom, has been divided for effective use of the restored building. A small northerly part of this space now houses two bathrooms and a small office, while the larger southernmost space now consists of a large lounge/meeting room.

Setting

The building stands on a 2.173-acre lot, with a landscaped parking lot to the south and west. A tree-lined lane leads north from this lot to Central Avenue (MD 214), but the lot is fenced and not accessible by this original entrance. Access is from the south by a paved drive from Truck Way.

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Integrity

Prior to its rehabilitation, Ridgeley School remained in largely unaltered condition, and stood as the best surviving example of a Rosenwald School in Prince George's County. (Of 27 built in the county under the Rosenwald program, nine survived as of 2010.)

The rehabilitation was undertaken by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (property owner), and carried out according to the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation* under the review of the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission.

Exterior work included conservation of existing historic windows and surrounds; fabrication of three missing historic windows based on photographic documentation; replacement in kind of deteriorated cedar shingles; installation of new gutters and downspouts. A late 20th century infill doorway was removed, and the historic recessed entry was restored. An accessibility ramp was constructed along the side of the building.

Interior work included renewing interior finishes, upgrading lavatories and installing a kitchen.

Overall, the building retains a high level of integrity, with the majority of its original fabric intact and in good condition. A series of four photographs accompanying this documentation represent the appearance and condition of the building in 2001, before rehabilitation (MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0007-0010).

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Summary Statement of Significance:

The Ridgeley School is significant as an example of a type of school building constructed with the assistance of the Julius Rosenwald Fund. A two-teacher, two-room school constructed in 1927, the Ridgeley School meets the Registration Requirements specified in the Multiple Property Documentation Form entitled "Rosenwald Schools of Maryland."

Resource History and Historic Context:

The Ridgeley School (Colored School #1 in Election District #13) was built in 1927, one of four two-teacher schools in Prince George's County funded in that year by the Julius Rosenwald Fund. Before this school was built, classes for elementary students had been held in the "colored hall" or "society hall" which stood on the lot immediately adjoining to the east. The hall was informally connected with Ridgley Methodist Episcopal Church, located a short distance to the east on the north side of Central Avenue. The first church on this site had been erected in the 1870s, on land which was deeded to Lewis Ridgley and two other black trustees out of the Berry family land holdings. By the 1890s a small community had developed in this area; its focal points were Ridgley Church, the lodge, and, later, the adjoining schoolhouse.⁴

In the 1923/24 academic year, there were 42 elementary schools for black children in Prince George's County. In that year a committee of the Colored Public School Trustees Association conducted a survey of the County's colored public schools, in which it was recorded that a new Rosenwald school was being requested for the Ridgley community. "It is already on the program to build a new Rosenwald school at Ridgeley. The committee can only say that it is urgently needed." The committee went on to encourage the Ridgley community members to pursue their hopes for a new school building, and not to "let up in their drive till the new building is finished, fully equipped and every child has a comfortable seat in which to study."⁵ Six Prince George's County schools were built with Rosenwald support in the 1925/26 year, and four more, including Ridgeley, would be completed in 1926/27.⁶

A formal request was addressed to the Board of Education in March 1926 for a new school for Ridgley, but the Ridgley delegation was informed that their request came too late to put in that year's budget. The Board agreed, however, to support the request if the community would furnish two acres of land for the proposed school. Accordingly, in February 1927, Mary Eliza Ridgeley (daughter-in-law of Lewis Ridgley, who had

⁴ Prince George's County Deeds HB#4:223 (1871), JWB#23:471; cf. Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties PG#72-5

⁵ Colored Public School Trustees Association, *A Survey of Colored Schools of Prince George's County, Maryland, 1923/24*

⁶ In 1925/26, with Rosenwald support, two-teacher schoolhouses were built in Capitol Heights, Lakeland, and Laurel, and one-teacher structures were built in TeeBee, Westwood, and Chapel Hill. In 1926/27, in addition to that at Ridgeley, three more two-teacher schools were built in the County - in Bowie, Clinton, and Collington.

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founded the nearby Methodist church) offered 2 acres of the family's property to the Board for the construction of the school, and the offer was accepted.⁷

At its meeting in June 1927, the Board of Education contracted with Burton A. Ford to erect three colored schools - \$4281.54 for a school at Ridgley, the same amount for a school of the same plan at Clinton, and \$4221.54 for a different design at Collington.⁸ The deed of land from the Ridgeleys was executed two weeks later.⁹ This land lay on the south side of Central Avenue a short distance west of the church, with a right-of-way to the avenue.

Papers in the Rosenwald Fund Archives record that the school was of the two-teacher plan, that the total cost of its construction was \$5300, of which the largest part (\$4400) came from public taxation, \$200 was contributed by the local black community, and \$700 came from the Rosenwald Fund.¹⁰ Ridgeley School opened in the fall of 1927, with two large classrooms, each of which served at least three grade levels. Instruction in home economics and in vocational carpentry was offered in the central passage between the two classrooms. Two privies stood on the two-acre property, as well as space for sports and games. A photograph of Julius Rosenwald was hanging in the classroom. Members of the Ridgeley family remained very much involved in the affairs of the school.¹¹

Within twenty years of the opening of the Ridgeley School, the rear (south) addition was constructed, adding a third large classroom. Later, until 1957, the schoolhouse served as a special center for children with special needs. From 1963 until 2009, the building served as the school-bus management office for the Prince George's County Public Schools. By 2002, when the National Trust brought attention to Rosenwald schools through their listing among the most Endangered Buildings, the Ridgeley school was in deteriorating condition, but was recognized as being Prince George's County's Rosenwald school closest to its original condition. In 2004, a committee formed with the express purpose of bringing about the preservation and restoration of the schoolhouse. Restoration of the building was accomplished through an agreement between the Board of Education and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The building was opened to the public in September 2011 as a museum and educational meeting place.

⁷ Prince George's County Board of Education Journal, 9 March 1926; 8 February 1937.

⁸ *Ibid.*, 28 June 1927; The schoolhouses at Capitol Heights, Bowie, and Clinton were built on the same plan as that at Ridgeley; only the Ridgeley and Clinton schools survive, though the Clinton school has been greatly altered from its original form.

⁹ Prince George's County Deed #293:88 (16 July 1927)

¹⁰ Julius Rosenwald Fund Archives, Fisk University, Nashville, TN, including letter of disbursement of funds, 1 July 1927

¹¹ Interviews with Mildred Ridgley Gray, 1995 to present

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Major Bibliographical References:

Hoffschwelle, Mary S. The Rosenwald Schools of the American South. Gainesville, FL:
University Press of Florida, 2006.

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Verbal Boundary Description:

The nominated property is described in Liber 293, folio 88 among the Land Records of Prince George's County, Maryland, and shown as Parcel 87 on Prince George's County Tax Map 67.

Boundary Justification:

The nominated property, 2.173 acres, comprises the entire parcel historically associated with the resource.

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Index to Photographs

The following information applies to all photographs which accompany this documentation:

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP) Number: PG 75A-28
Name of Property: Ridgeley School
Location: Prince George's County, Maryland
Photographer: Peter Kurtze
Date taken: August 29, 2012
Location of original digital files: MD SHPO

Photo captions:

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View from NW

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0002.tif
View from NE

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0003.tif
View from SW

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0004.tif
Classroom

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0005.tif
Meeting Room

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0006.tif
Classroom shown in 1930s photograph (Source: Fisk Archives)

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View from NW, 2001; Susan Pearl, photographer

MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_RidgeleySchool_0008.tif
View from W, 2001; Susan Pearl, photographer

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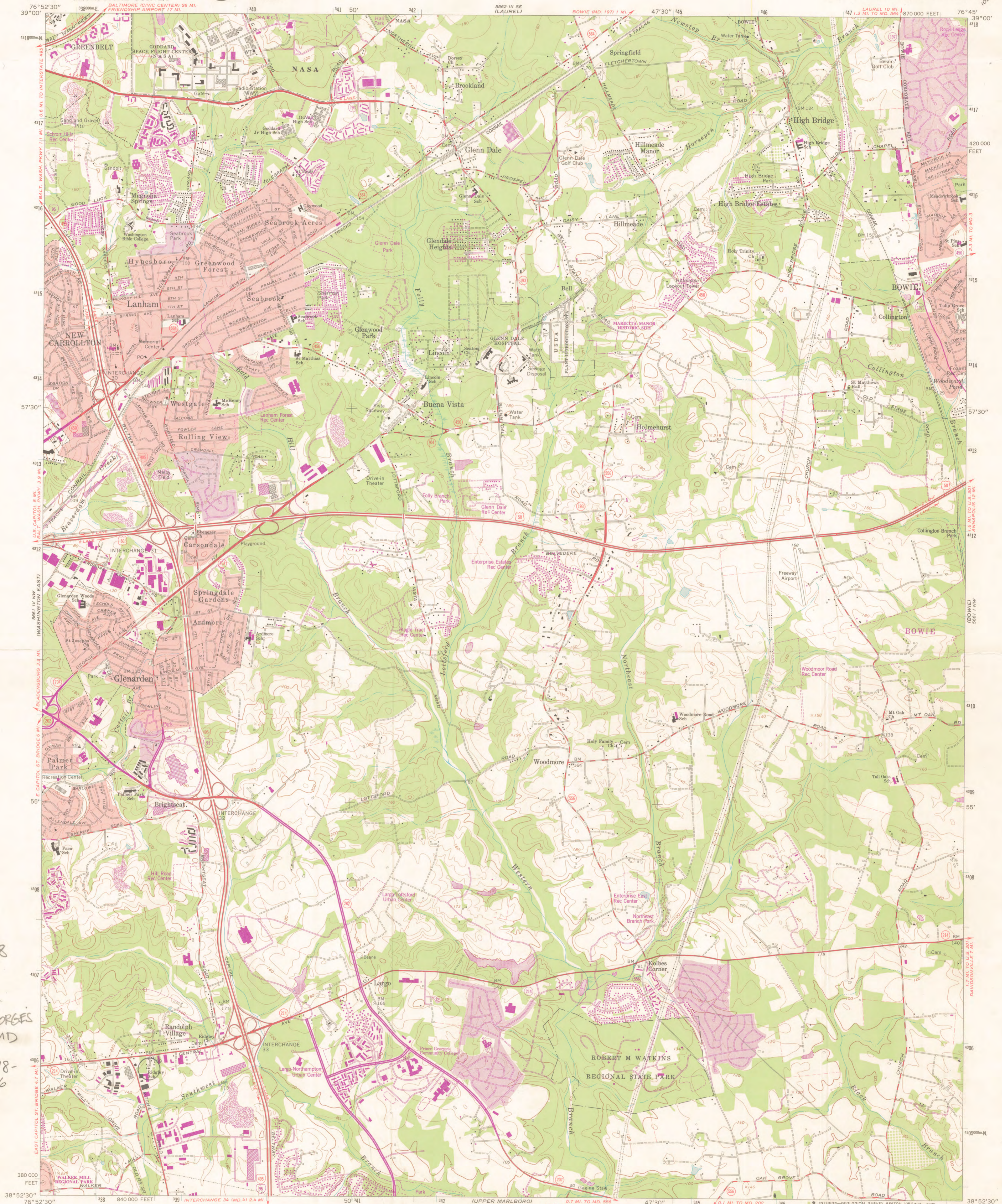
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View from SW, 2001; Susan Pearl, photographer

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View from S, 2001; Susan Pearl, photographer

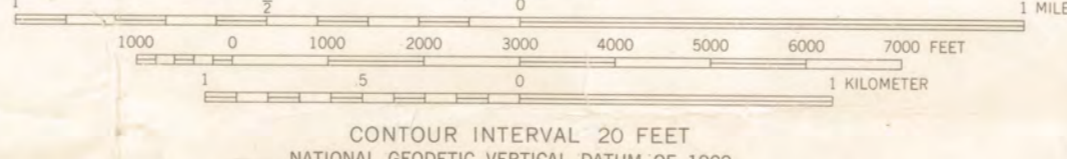
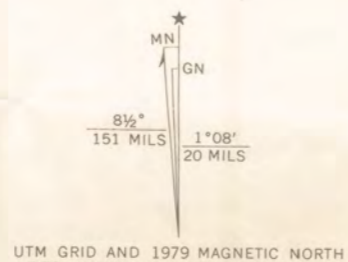


PG 75A-28
RIDGELEY
SCHOOL
PRINCE GEORGES
COUNTY, MD
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Mapped by the Army Map Service
Edited and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS

Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1938 and 1943. Topography by planimetric surveys 1944. Revised by the Geological Survey 1965.
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum 10,000-foot grid based on Maryland coordinate system 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 18, shown in blue.

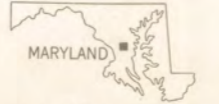
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked.
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown.
There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of the National or State reservations shown on this map.
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas.



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
Interstate Route	U.S. Route
	State Route



LANHAM, MD.
N3852.5-W7645/7.5

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LANHAM, MD
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THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092. A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs taken 1977 and other source data. This information not field checked. Map edited 1979.
Boundary lines shown in purple compiled from latest information available from the controlling authority.





















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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: RESUBMISSION

PROPERTY Ridgeley School
NAME:

MULTIPLE Rosenwald Schools of Maryland MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MARYLAND, Prince George's

DATE RECEIVED: 3/20/15 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/05/15
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 14001093

DETAILED EVALUATION:

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 5/1/2015 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

On resubmission the state has described the building's condition prior to its recent rehabilitation and has described the recent work and evaluated the building's historic integrity.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept A&C
REVIEWER Patrick Andrus DISCIPLINE Historian
TELEPHONE _____ DATE 5/1/2015

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



Maryland Department of Planning
Maryland Historical Trust

Sustainable — Attainable

November 13, 2014



Mr. J. Paul Loether, Chief
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
1201 I (eye) St., NW
Mail Stop 2280
Washington, DC 20005

RE: ROSENWALD SCHOOLS OF MARYLAND—Multiple Property
Documentation RIDGELEY SCHOOL - Prince George's County, Maryland

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed is documentation for nominating the Multiple Property Documentation of the Rosenwald Schools of Maryland and the Ridgeley School, Prince George's County, Maryland to the National Register of Historic Places. Please note that, although the photographs which accompany this documentation are more than two years old, the nevertheless accurately represent the current appearance of the resource. The state review board and the owners concur in my recommendation for listing. Should you have questions in this matter, please contact Peter Kurtze at (410) 514-7649.

Sincerely,

J. Rodney Little
Director-State Historic
Preservation Officer

JRL/jmg

cc: State Clearinghouse #MD20120309-0137

Enclosures: NR form Multiple Property Documentation Form-38 pages
NR form and 7 continuation sheets
1 USGS map
6 - 5x7 b/w prints
1 - CD

Correspondence: letter, Little to McCave, 15 February 2012
letter, Janey to Little, 23 April 2012
CLG recommendation form, 1 May 2012

Martin O'Malley, Governor
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor

Richard Eberhart Hall, AICP, Secretary
Amanda Stakem Conn, Esq., Deputy Secretary

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Ridgeley School
NAME:

MULTIPLE Rosenwald Schools of Maryland MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MARYLAND, Prince George's

DATE RECEIVED: 11/14/14 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 12/11/14
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 12/26/14 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/31/14
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 14001093

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: Y SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 12/31/2014 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See attached Return sheet for detailed comment.

RECOM./CRITERIA Return

REVIEWER Patrick Adams DISCIPLINE Historian

TELEPHONE _____ DATE 12/31/2014

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Evaluation/Return Sheet

Property Name: Ridgeley School
MARYLAND, Prince George's County

Multiple Property Submission: Rosenwald Schools of Maryland MPS

Reference Number: 14001093

Reason for Return: The nomination is being returned for additional information. Section 7 of the nomination form (Description) does not adequately describe the nominated building. Ridgeley School has recently undergone a major renovation, yet the nomination form does not describe the building's condition prior to the rehabilitation. Please provide additional information describing the condition of the building (interior and exterior) prior to the renovation work and provide details on what original materials remain. Please provide photographs of the building (if available) prior to the renovation.

Patrick Andrus, Historian
National Register of Historic Places
12/31/2014
patrick_andrus@nps.gov



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Maryland Historical Trust

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Wendi W. Peters Deputy Secretary



March 18, 2015

Mr. Patrick Andrus
Historian
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
1201 I (eye) St., NW
Washington, DC 20005

Re Ridgeley School, Prince George's County, Maryland
Reference Number 14001093


Dear ~~Mr. Andrus~~:

Thank you for your comments on the National Register nomination for Ridgeley School, which was returned to our office for additional information.

Per your return comments, please find enclosed the following:

- The original cover page;
- An additional page (page 3) for Section 7, which addresses the rehabilitation of the building and its integrity;
- 4 photographic prints, an archival CD containing the image files, and a revised Photo Index. These photographs were taken in 2001, and accurately represent the appearance of the property prior to rehabilitation.

I hope this information satisfies your concerns; if you have any further questions or comments, please let me know.

Thank you for your assistance in securing National Register listing for this resource as expeditiously as possible.

Best regards,



Peter Kurtze
Administrator, Evaluation & Registration
Maryland Historical Trust