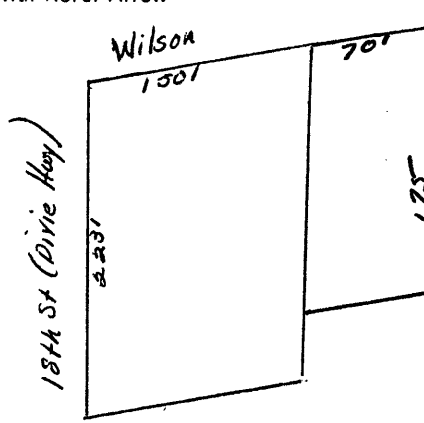
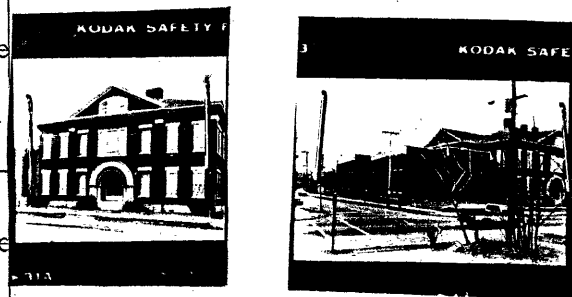


KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Map # 20

1. Historic Name (s) Columbian School ✓ Louisville Board of Education		22. ADD/County JF-L-W-SW 407 056	
Original Owner		23. Zoning Classification Magisterial District	
Present Name John C. Strother School		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Louisville West 079	
3. Owner's Name Jefferson County Board of Education		25. UTM Reference 16 606100 4232220 Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Address 3322 Newburg 40213		26. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building X	
5. Location 18th & Wilson ✓		27. District Yes No X Name:	
6. Open to Public Yes No X	7. Visible from road Yes X No	8. Ownership Private X Local State Federal	
9. Local Contact/Organization Landmarks Commission		28. Significance Evaluation meets NR criteria - d	
10. Site Plan with North Arrow 		11. Architect M.Q. Wilson	
		12. Builder E. Long	
		13. Date 1893 [5]	
		14. Style Classical Romanesque Rev 13-6	
		15. Original Use educational - 9	
		16. Present Use educational	
		17. Condition 02 Interior Exterior good	
18. Description The Columbian School is a two-story, brick structure combining classical and Richardsonian motifs. The facade consists of three bays articulated by pilasters with foliate-decorated capitals. The center bay contains voussiors springs from squat piers with Romanesque capitals with foliate decoration. Next to the piers are two squat smooth columns with matching capitals. A second arch springs from the columns bearing the name		29. Status National Landmark National Register Landmark Certificate Kentucky Survey Local Landmark HABS/HAER	
		30. Theme Primary architecture 03 Secondary Other	
		31. Endangered Yes No X	
		32. ATTACH PHOTO 	
19. History This school was constructed in 1893 and first called the Columbian school. The name was later changed to the John C. Strother School. The structure was originally named for the Columbian Exposition in Chicago of 1893.		Roll No. 98 Picture No. 32-33 Direction	
20. Significance This school is an excellent example of late Victorian architecture combining classical and Richardsonian motifs.		33. Tape No. Negative No. 34. Prepared by: Marty Hedgepeth, Director of Research	
		35. Organization Landmarks Commission	
		36. Date February 11, 1981	
21. Source of Information Coran Directory of the City of Louisville. Date on building.		37. Revision Dates 38. Staff Review	

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of the school. The doorway is recessed and currently boarded but appears to consist of three coupled wood doors articulated by incised pilasters. Flanking the entry is one window on either side with a simple stone lintel and sill. The second story contains three coupled windows in a stone surround, are above the entry flanked by the same fenestration as the first floor.

The side bays set back slightly and contain two windows per floor also of the same fenestration as the center bay. The facade has several rows of raised brick banding running between the pilasters. Above this is an extended cornice with dentils. A brick pediment rises over the central bay and has a denticulated raking cornice. The pediment is pierced by a segmental, stone arch which contains two small windows and "1893". The arch has a smooth keystone and springs from incised pilasters.

A small bay on the south side is set back and continues the same cornice treatment but is pierced on each floor by an arched opening with brick voussoirs. A red brick addition of modern vintage is on the north side of the building.

21. Civic Opinion, 6 March 1926

10. The main structure and addition take up the majority of the lot. A pool and late building are on another lot. Approx. 1.1 acres.