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SUMMERFIELD SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Summerfield, Oklahoma 040, Leflore County 079; Sec. 22, T 5 N, R 23 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Leflore Board of Education, Box 67, Leflore, OK 74942

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Leflore County Courthouse, Poteau, OK 74953

DESCRIPTION: Good condition; unaltered; original site

A four-room building, the Summerfield school is a single story, rectangular $(42' \times 72')$ structure constructed of untooled and uncoursed native sandstone. The hipped roof, now coverd with composition shingles, has a gable dormer without lights above a frontal entry archway and recessed doors. Wood sash windows on concrete sills reach to the eaves. A concrete block lean-to addition has been attached to the north end; it does not destroy the integrity of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936-37; builder/architect: Oklahoma State Dept. of Education pattern book

The school building is significant because construction of it provided work opportunities for destitute laborers in the Summerfield community who had been forced on relief rolls for lack of jobs in the private sector. It also created a new environment more favorable to learning than existed previously. Because of its type, style, scale, materials and workmanship, the building is architecturally unique within the the community.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Summerfield, Okla. 1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: 15 329430 3892410

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Follow U.S. highway No. 271 southwest of Wister some ten and one-half miles and turn east on a paved county road, going one-half mile to the Summerfield community. The school property is in the southeast portion of the town, beginning at the SE corner of the SE 1/4, of the NE 1/4, of the NE 1/4, of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 22, T 5 N, R 23 E, and running north 208 feet, west 208 feet, south 208 feet and east 208 feet.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 112-A, 112-B



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Section number _____ Page ___ SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD NRIS Reference Number: Various Date Listed: 9/8/88 Various Various Oklahoma Property Name County State WPA Public Buildings, Recreational Facilities and Cemetery Improvements in Southeastern Oklahoma, 1935-1943 TR Multiple Name This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination/dogumentation. 9-8-88 te of Action Signature of the Keeper Amended Items in Nomination: The actual resource count for the entire multiple property nomination should be 50 contributing buildings and 9 contributing structures (no non-contributing resources). Each of the individual properties should be counted as one building with the following exceptions: Roberta School Campus--2 buildings; Spencerville School Campus--2 buildings; Stroup Park Swimming Pool and Bathhouse--1 building, 1 structure; Wetumka Cemetery Pavilion and Fence--2 structures; Twyman Park--2 buildings, 4 structures; Jeff Lee Park Bathhouse and Pool--1 building, 1 structure; and Colony Park Pavilion--1 structure. (Stroup Park Swimming Pool and Bathhouse is being returned to the OK SHPO because of substantive problems which must be clarified.)

Scipio School--Ownership should be private, not public.

Roberta School Campus--Acreage should be two, not less than two.

The level of significance for all properties is local.

The above information was confirmed during a 9/8/88 telephone conversation with Oklahoma Deputy SHPO Melvena Heisch.