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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

STATE:

Kansas

COUNTY:

Marshall

FOR NPS USE ONLY ENTRY NUMBER (Type all entries - complete applicable sections) 1972 27 I. NAME COMMON: Frankfort School AND/OR HISTORIC: 2. LOCATION STREET AND NUMBER: REGIO 400 Locust street CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort STATE COUNTY: CODE CODE 20 Kansas 66427 Marshall 117 3. CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY **ACCESSIBLE** STATUS OWNERSHIP TO THE PUBLIC (Check One) N Public Yes: Public Acquisition: District X Building 🔼 Occupied Restricted Private ☐ In Process Site Structure Unoccupied ☐ Unrestricted Being Considered Object □ Both Preservation work ☐ No in progress PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) □ Park Agricultural ☐ Government ☐ Transportation Comments Commercial Industrial Private Residence Other (Specify) X Educational Military Religious Entertainment Museum Scientific OWNER OF PROPERTY 4. OWNER'S NAME: Kansa Unified School District No. 380 STREET AND NUMBER Office of the Board of Education CITY OR TOWN: CODE Kansas 66508 20 Frankfort 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Register of Deeds Marsha STREET AND NUMBER: Marshall County Courthouse CITY OR TOWN: STATE CODE Marysville 66508 Kansas 20 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE OF SURVEY: NONE DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State ☐ County Local NUMBER DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: NPS USE . 1 STREET AND NUMBER: ONLY CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Frankfort School is a two-story rectangular structure in the Renaissance style with a full basement partially above grade. \ Located at the northwest corner of Locust and Fourth streets, the building is situated at a 45 degree angle and faces southeast. Its walls are constructed of greyish-brown face brick trimmed with limestone. The basement is faced with rough hewn limestone blocks laid in uniform horizontal courses. The shingled roof of the building is segmented into four quarters each with a hipped roof. These are interconnected with a steeply pitched central roof. Emphasizing the roof line is an unusually wide overhang which is decorated by closely spaced wood brackets on the soffit. A broad one-story porch supported by six wood columns with ionic capitals emphasizes the main entrance on the southeast facade. Another outstanding feature that makes the building particularly notable is the use of decorative stone trim, especially at the windows. The basement windows occur in the stone basement walls with simple sills and jambs. A massive ribbon of rough hewn stone blocks occurs at the first floor line and separates the stone from the face brick above. It also forms the lintel for the basement windows. The first floor windows are double wide rectangular openings with smoothed stone sills. The sill stone occurs continuously around the building as does a stone band at the window head. Rough hewn stone blocks of alternating width ornament the first floor window jambs. The window heads are flat stone arches of rough hewn tapered stones with a large smoothed keystone. second story windows are double wide with stone sills and jambs similar to the first floor. The second floor windows have a semicircular arched head of large blocks of stone with a huge keystone. Stone quoins of alternating width rough hewn blocks are used at all building corners. A massive brick chimney with stone quoining rises at the center of the northwest facade.

The only major changes to the building's exterior have occurred above the roof line. A cupola formerly was situated atop the entrance tower. Dormers similar to the one behind the chimney were located in each of the outward facing segments of the hip roofs and centered on each side, except the front.



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1880 building which had been struck by lightning on August 20,							
1902, and burned beyond repair. Within weeks after the fire a							
local architect, A. W. Snodgrass, was hired to prepare plans and							
specifications f	or a new school b	uilding. On Novem	ber 21 a picture				
of the proposed	structure was pri	nted in the Frankf	ort Review,				
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would be let soon. Shortly thereafter, two Frankfort men, Olaf Anderson and John C. Reipen, were awarded the contracts, respectively, for the stone work and the carpentry work. Excavation of the basement was completed by mid-December, and the school house was finished in time for classes to begin October 19, 1903, although the opening date had been somewhat delayed. The final cost of the building was estimated to be \$20,000.

At first the elementary school used the first floor and a three-year high school occupied the second floor. (The fourth year was added in 1905.) As the population of surrounding rural areas decreased, many schools were consolidated with Frankfort District No. 35. Following the construction of a new high school in 1923, the building has been used only for elementary classes.

The building is an excellent example of Renaissance influenced turn-of-the-century school architecture in Kansas.



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