

Historic Resources of Hardin County

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Historic Name: Hardin Springs School (HD-255) Classification: Building
Common Name: Hardin Springs School

Owner: Bill Gray, Leitchfield, KY 42754.

Location: On KY 84 four-tenths of a mile east of the Hardin Springs Bridge.

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	1	<u>Total:</u>	

Description:

The Hardin Springs School is a one-story frame structure built ca. 1900 in a gable front plan. The school is a large single pen building constructed in a rectangular plan. The building has a gable roof of metal standing seam, weatherboard siding and a stone pier foundation. At the main and rear facades are original frame doors. Windows are original two-over-two sash with small projecting frame cornices. On the east facade is an interior brick chimney. There are no outbuildings. The school sits in a wooded area several hundred yards from KY 84.

Period of Significance: ca. 1900-ca. 1940

Area of Significance: Education

Criterion: A

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The Hardin Springs School is notable as an unaltered example of an early 20th century rural schoolhouse. During the late 19th and early 20th century, dozens of one room schoolhouses were constructed throughout the county to serve area students. These schools provided the basic educational training for thousands of pupils in the early 20th century and were an integral part of the county's educational system. In the late 1930s and early 1940s consolidation of schools occurred in the county and schools such as at Hardin Springs were abandoned. The Hardin Springs school is the best remaining example of a one room schoolhouse of the early 20th century in the county. The building has not been altered and displays its original exterior and interior details.

Acreage: Less than one acre.

UTM References: Madrid Quad 16/566090/4162330

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for the Hardin Springs School is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County property tax map 5, lot 12, and the school is centered in a square of which the sides are 75' from each facade. The boundary includes the school and property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

SEE MAP 1
PARCEL 3

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HD-255, Hardin Springs School
Property location
Tax map 5, lot 12
1" = 400'

LEGEND

PROPERTY LINE

5 PARCEL NUMBER

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MAPS TO BE USED FOR