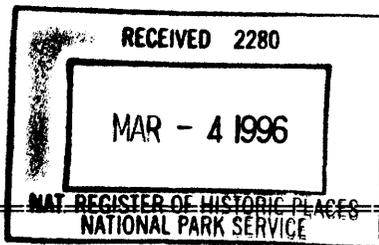


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REGISTRATION FORM



1. Name of Property

historic name Warwick School

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 3/4 mi e, 1/4 mi n of Jct. US177 & US66 not for publication N/A
city or town Chandler vicinity X
state Oklahoma code OK county Lincoln code 081
zip code 74834

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this XX 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 XX meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (N/A See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Blake Wade
Signature of certifying official

1 March 1996
Date

Oklahoma Historical Society, SHPO
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 commenting or other official

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): _____

Edson H. Beall 3:4:96
Entered in the
National Register

for
Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

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

Category of Property (Check only one box)

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

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 2 </u>	<u> 1 </u> buildings
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> sites
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> structures
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> objects
<u> 2 </u>	<u> 1 </u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) WPA Resources in Lincoln County, Oklahoma

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6. Function or Use

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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: EDUCATION Sub: school

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: SOCIAL Sub: meeting hall

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: WPA Standardized Style

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE
roof ASPHALT
walls STONE:Sandstone
other _____

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

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8. Statement of Significance

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

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ECONOMICS

EDUCATION

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance 1940-1943

Significant Dates 1940

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8. Statement of Significance (Continued)
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Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Works Progress Administration, builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	<u>14</u>	<u>680550</u>	<u>3950730</u>	3	___	___
2	___	___	___	4	___	___

N/A 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.)

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Cynthia Smelker
organization Okla. Historic Preservation Survey date 1 July 1993
street & number Oklahoma State University telephone (405) 744-5679
city or town Stillwater state OK zip code 74078-0611

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Additional Documentation
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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)

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

name Town of Warwick

street & number c/o Rt. 1, Box 780 telephone _____

city or town Chandler state OK zip code 74834
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SUMMARY

The Warwick School is an excellent example of a Works Progress Administration (WPA) school in Lincoln County. Constructed in 1940, the school maintains its setting within the residential area of Warwick, Oklahoma. Warwick is a small Lincoln County hamlet located approximately three miles east of Wellston and eight miles southwest of Chandler. Boasting two-rooms, the Warwick School is typical of the WPA schools built in Lincoln County. Built in the WPA Standardized style, the building exhibits many representative WPA features. These features include use of native stone for construction material, exposed rafter tails, ribbon windows, round arched entries, and a stone chimney. The rectangular, one-story building is topped by an asphalt covered gable roof with a dropped, asphalt covered, gable roof extension. The walls are constructed of polychromatic native sandstone with a concrete foundation. The three round arched entries, two on the east side and one on the west elevation, contain wood, slab doors. The wood, double hung windows, for the most part, have not been alternated. Decorative details consist of a 1940 WPA plaque, ribbons windows and exposed rafter tails. The school retains its integrity to a fairly high degree.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

As the primary facade, the east elevation contains the characteristic ribbon windows and stone chimney, as well as two round arched entries and exposed rafter tails. The ribbon windows are two bands of six wood, double hung, nine-over-nine windows. The centrally located, native stone, slope chimney visually separates the ribbon windows into two distinct sets. On either end of the elevation are round arched entries containing wood slab doors. Both entries have voussoirs with a keystone. (Photograph 1)

The north and south elevations are similar in design. The north elevation has two windows located to the outside limits. The western window is wood, double hung, six-over-six, while the eastern window is wood, double hung, six-over-one. A rectangular vent is located high in the gable on both elevations. The south elevation also contains two short windows. However, on this side of the building the windows are located more to the inside of the elevation. Both of the south elevation windows have been boarded over. (Photograph 1 and 2)

The west elevation features two narrow, four-over-four windows and two short fixed windows, a round arched entry and exposed rafter tails. The round arched entry with voussoirs and keystone is centrally located. A metal pipe railing and concrete stairs lead to the double wood slab door. (Photograph 2)

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A contributing concrete cellar is located to the southeast of the building. (Photograph 3) A noncontributing stone garage is situated to the southwest of the school. (Photograph 4) And a small, cinder block pump house is situated directly west of the school building. (Photograph 2)

ALTERATIONS

The building has undergone only negligible alterations. The school's rear windows and one window on the east side have been boarded over. Additionally, the lower six panes of the eastern window on the south elevation has been replaced with a single pane. These alterations do not seriously impact the integrity of the school. The Warwick School continues to maintain a high degree of integrity in terms of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship and conveys the feeling of its past environment.

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SUMMARY

The Warwick School is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A. The school is historically significant as an example of a project undertaken by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in Lincoln County, Oklahoma. The work relief provided by the WPA allowed many destitute people to survive the trying times of the 1930s while also stimulating the local, and therefore state and national, economies. The Warwick School is also historically significant due to its educational function. The construction of the new school building allowed for enhanced educational opportunities in Lincoln County during the latter half of the 1930s, the last real era of the small, rural school. The school is further eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C. The building is architecturally significant as a good example of the WPA Standardized style as applied to rural schools. Contextually, the Warwick School relates to "The Works Progress Administration (W.P.A.) in Lincoln County, Oklahoma, 1935-1943." The associated property type is WPA Resources, subtype Education-Related Buildings.

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE

The WPA constructed the Warwick School in 1940. The construction of the new building produced not only needed jobs for local men but also increased the economic viability of the immediate area. This in turn fortified the state and national economies. The building project further resulted in an improved educational facility which increased the quality of education in Lincoln County while also providing an enhanced space for community events.

The project was approved on 9 April 1940 with work underway by 24 July of that year. The project was financed locally with a 2,500 dollar bond. This was matched with 5,410 federal dollars to bring total project cost to 7,910 dollars. The project included demolishing the old building, salvaging materials and grading the grounds, as well as erecting the new school. On the average, thirty-two men benefitted from employment on this job.¹ The Warwick School remained in use as a school until 1968, when the Warwick School District was consolidated with the Wellston School District. Since that time, the community of Warwick continues to use the building as a community center.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Due to its construction by the WPA, the Warwick School is architecturally significant. WPA-built architecture varied in size, shape, exterior features and decorative details; however, all possess one or more unifying feature that identify it as WPA constructed. As an example of the WPA Standardized style,

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the Warwick School is representative of many distinguishing WPA characteristics. These include use of polychromatic native sandstone for construction material; a functional design; limited architectural features consisting of three round arched entry porches and a stone chimney; and, minimal decorative detailing composed of ribbon windows and exposed rafters. The building remains in excellent condition, attesting to the quality of work put into the construction project by the local WPA workers.

The Warwick School is typical of the WPA schools constructed in Lincoln County. It bears a distinct similarity to the Concord, Midlothian and Crescent schools. The design of each school is essentially identical. The basic design, however, does not apparently follow any of the available school patterns from the Schoolhouse Planning Division of the Oklahoma State Department of Public Instruction. The type and placement of the majority of exterior and decorative features on these four schools are also basically the same. All four schools have double bands of ribbon windows separated by a chimney and at least three entrances with the majority being round arched with voussoirs. Additionally, the size and placement of entrances and single windows is almost duplicated on each school. The Warwick School is distinguished from the other schools by the lack of distinguishing characteristics. The school is the epitome of this WPA school design with no accessory features.

ENDNOTES

1. Index to Reference Cards for Work Projects Administration Project Files, 1935-1942, (National Archives [Microcopy T-935 Rolls 54-56; T-926 Roll 11; T-936 Roll 13], Washington, D.C.).

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"Warwick School." Oklahoma Landmarks Inventory. Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office, Oklahoma City.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

All Block 69, Warwick, T14N, R3E, Section 17.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundaries were derived from the legal description on record at the Lincoln County Assessors Office and include the property historically associated with the school building.