

Oregon Historic Site Record

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME			
address:	1131 SE Oak St Portland, Multnomah County (97214)	historic name:	Holy Names Academy
assoc addresses:		current/other names:	St. Francis School
location descr:		block/lot/tax lot:	240 / 1-8 / 1N1E35CD 9100
		twshp/rng/sect/qtr sect:	1N 1E 35
PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS			
resource type:	Building	height (stories):	1.0
elig evaluation:	not eligible/non-contributing	total elig resources:	0
prim constr date:	1908	second date:	1949
		total inelig resources:	1
		NR Status:	
		date indiv listed:	
primary orig use:	Church School	orig use comments:	
second orig use:	Civic	prim style comments:	
primary style:	Victorian Eclectic	sec style comments:	
secondary style:	Northwest Regional	siding comments:	Lap siding
primary siding:	Horizontal Board	architect:	Francis Jacobberger
secondary siding:		builder:	
plan type:	Modern School		
comments/notes:			
Extensive modifications, 2nd story removed. Building has very integrity to 1949 date, but negligible integrity to prior periods.			
GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS			
Survey/Grouping Included In:	Type of Grouping	Date Listed	Date Compiled
Buckman Neighborhood RLS 2010	Survey & Inventory Project		2010
Farmstead/Cluster Name:	St. Francis of Assisi		
SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY			
NR date listed:	N/A	106 Project(s):	None
ILS survey date:		Special Assess Project(s):	None
RLS survey date:	05/01/2010	Federal Tax Project(s):	None
ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION			
<i>(Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations)</i>			
<p>The former St. Francis Academy or St. Francis of Assisi School is a one-story building located at the northwest corner of SE Oak and SE 12th Avenue. The building is comprised of two buildings connected by a central gabled wing. The building segments sit on a raised, daylit concrete basement. The west section has a truncated hipped roof with an intersecting gabled center wing that connects to the east wing. The east wing roof forms a shallow U-shape comprised of a hipped gable roof with intersecting gable on hip roofs projecting west. This east wing is oriented north to south along SE 12th Avenue. The entire building is clad with wide lap siding. A horizontal streamlined emphasis is provided by two wide bands at the cornice and water table consisting of narrow horizontal bands of wood channeled siding. These details were added to tie its overall appearance with that of the neighboring church that was built in 1938. The windows are one-over-one hung sash, many of which have vinyl clad replacements. The main entry is located on the south façade of the central wing and is accessed by concrete steps. Open stickwork supports the porch entry that is topped by the banded cornice that projects over the porch entry. Windows opposite the double doors are narrow vertical paired hung sash. A one-story shed roof addition is located on the rear (north) elevation. The older school buildings was remodeled and reduced to one-story with a day light basement in the early 1950s. Its exterior was designed to conform to the style of the new church built in 1938.</p>			
HISTORY			
<i>(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present)</i>			
<p>The school started in 1886, and was known as the Academy of Holy Names. The original architect is not clear and modifications to the original building were made in 1907 by Otto Kleemann. The school later became St. Francis Academy Day and Boarding School. See associated history of St. Francis Assisi Church. The school was purchased by the St. Francis parish from the Holy Names order in 1945. Not long after, a school remodelling project began. The modern detailing of the adjacent church, built in 1938, was incorporated into the exterior detailing of the school. In 1949 alteration designs were completed by Francis B. Jacobberger per drawings on file with City of Portland. The work was carried out in the early 1950s. The Archdiocese of Portland began the major remodel of the school in 1953. The upper floor of the school was removed and half the school was demolished (Portland Building Permit Records 1953).</p>			
RESEARCH INFORMATION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Title Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps Obituaries <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Directories	Census Records Biographical Sources <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newspapers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Permits	Property Tax Records SHPO Files State Archives State Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Histories Interviews Historic Photographs
Local Library:		University Library:	
Historical Society:		Other Respository:	
Bibliography:			
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