

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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Prospect Hill

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| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY | |
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| Town No.: | Site No.: |
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| QUAD: | |
| DISTRICT | IF NR. SPECIFY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR | <input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential |

IDENTIFICATION

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|---|--|------------------|--|-----------|--|
| 1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <i>(Historic)</i> | | The Foote School | | --- | |
| 2. TOWN, CITY | | VILLAGE | | COUNTY | |
| New Haven | | | | New Haven | |
| 3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location) | | | | | |
| 50 Loomis Place (at Canner and Highland Streets) | | | | | |
| 4. OWNER(S) | | | | | |
| The Foote School Association, Inc. <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private | | | | | |
| 5. USE (Present) <i>(Historic)</i> | | | | | |
| Educational | | | | | |
| 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No IF YES, EXPLAIN | | | | | |
| School and office hours | | | | | |

DESCRIPTION

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| 7. STYLE OF BUILDING | | | | DATE OF CONSTRUCTION | |
| Modern | | | | 1957-60 | |
| 8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate) | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: _____ | | | |
| 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood frame | <input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam | <input type="checkbox"/> balloon | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | | | | | |
| 10. ROOF (Type) | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable part | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flat part | <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor | <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip | <input type="checkbox"/> Round | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | |
| (Material) | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt | <input type="checkbox"/> Tin | <input type="checkbox"/> Slate | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Built up | <input type="checkbox"/> Tile | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ | | |
| 11. NUMBER OF STORIES | | APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS | | | |
| 1-2 + b | | Buildings range from 15 x 30 to 155 x 100 (approx.) | | | |
| 12. CONDITION (Structural) <i>(Exterior)</i> | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated |
| 13. INTEGRITY (Location) | | WHEN? | <i>(Alterations)</i> | IF YES, EXPLAIN | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site | <input type="checkbox"/> Moved | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | North addition, 1966, Davis, Cochran & Miller, architects | |
| 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barn | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) Covered walkway; ball park (west) and related cages, fences, etc; terracing, steps and landscaping; asphalt driveways & walkways; playground & apparatus; asphalt parking lot; chain link fence around grounds | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house | <input type="checkbox"/> Shop | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden | | | |
| 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open land | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial | <input type="checkbox"/> Rural | <input type="checkbox"/> High building density | | |

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS
 The school grounds occupy the eastern 1/2 of a large block near the top of Prospect Hill. Low, modern school buildings are nestled within much of the original trees and shrubs of this wooded property. Siting and architecture

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

2 Large buildings and 6 small buildings are clustered along a system of covered and uncovered walkways, elevated above street level and reached by a main, stepped walkway flanked by sections of formal landscaping with small shrubs arranged in a geometric pattern. The buildings are mostly rectangular blocks of different sizes which combine plain brick and glass curtain walls and white paneled surfaces under very broad, low-pitched gable roofs.

18 ARCHITECT
Perkins & Will in association with Carleton Granbury Associates

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

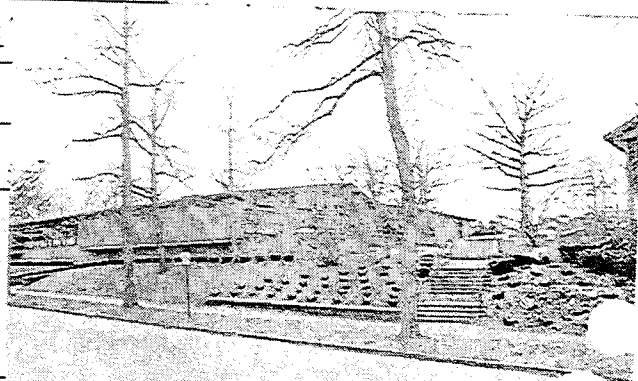
SIGNIFICANCE

Background: The Foote School was founded in 1916. It was originally located in the Massima Clark carriage house (315 St. Ronan Street), the present location of The Foster School. The Foote School moved to this site ca. 1957.

Architectural: Perkins and Will, a Chicago-based firm, was selected by The Foote School Association because of its specialization in school design in the late 1950s. The campus-like grouping of small buildings around a system of courtyard and walkways and the "California Style" design of the buildings were selected as best suited to the topography of this wooded, hilly site, the character of which was to be preserved as much as possible. Since construction encompassed many stages and several years, 2 larger buildings encompassing more facilities under their roofs, were constructed for practical and economic reasons. The use of red and black brick in many of the buildings creates a degree of visual harmony with the red and grey tapestry brick surfaces of the Colonial Revival houses across the street (see 3 and 20 Loomis Place).

SOURCES

Brown, p. 145.
Interview with Frank Perrine, Headmaster, telephone, 6/9/81.

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known Highways Vandalism Developers Other _____

Renewal Private Deterioration Zoning Expropriation _____