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Ca. 1930

New Midway Consolidated School

Woodsboro, Maryland

Private

The New Midway Consolidated School, built to replace several small one-room 19th century schools, is a good example of a rural school of its time, with simple Colonial Revival details, and a central hall plan. A wing was added in the 1960's with a hyphen connecting the old and new sections.

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Modern Period 1930 A.D. - Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning  
Social/Educational/Cultural

Resource Type:  
Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:  
Education/School/grammar school

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic New Midway Consolidated School

and/or common New Midway Elementary School

## 2. Location

street & number 12226 Woodsboro Pike  not for publicationcity, town Woodsboro  vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Board of Education

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town Frederick state and zip code MD. 21701

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick Street folio

city, town Frederick state MD. 21701

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered

altered

**Check one**

original site

moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing Resource Count: 1

(Typed on separate sheet)

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

**Specific dates** Ca. 1930 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or  
Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  
Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Personal interview with Mr. John Reeves, New Midway, April, 1991

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property 3.5 acres

Quadrangle name Woodsboro, MD Quad.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A            
 Zone Easting Northing

B            
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax Map 34  
Parcel 1

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

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# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date May, 1991

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city or town Frederick state MD. 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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## 7.1 Description

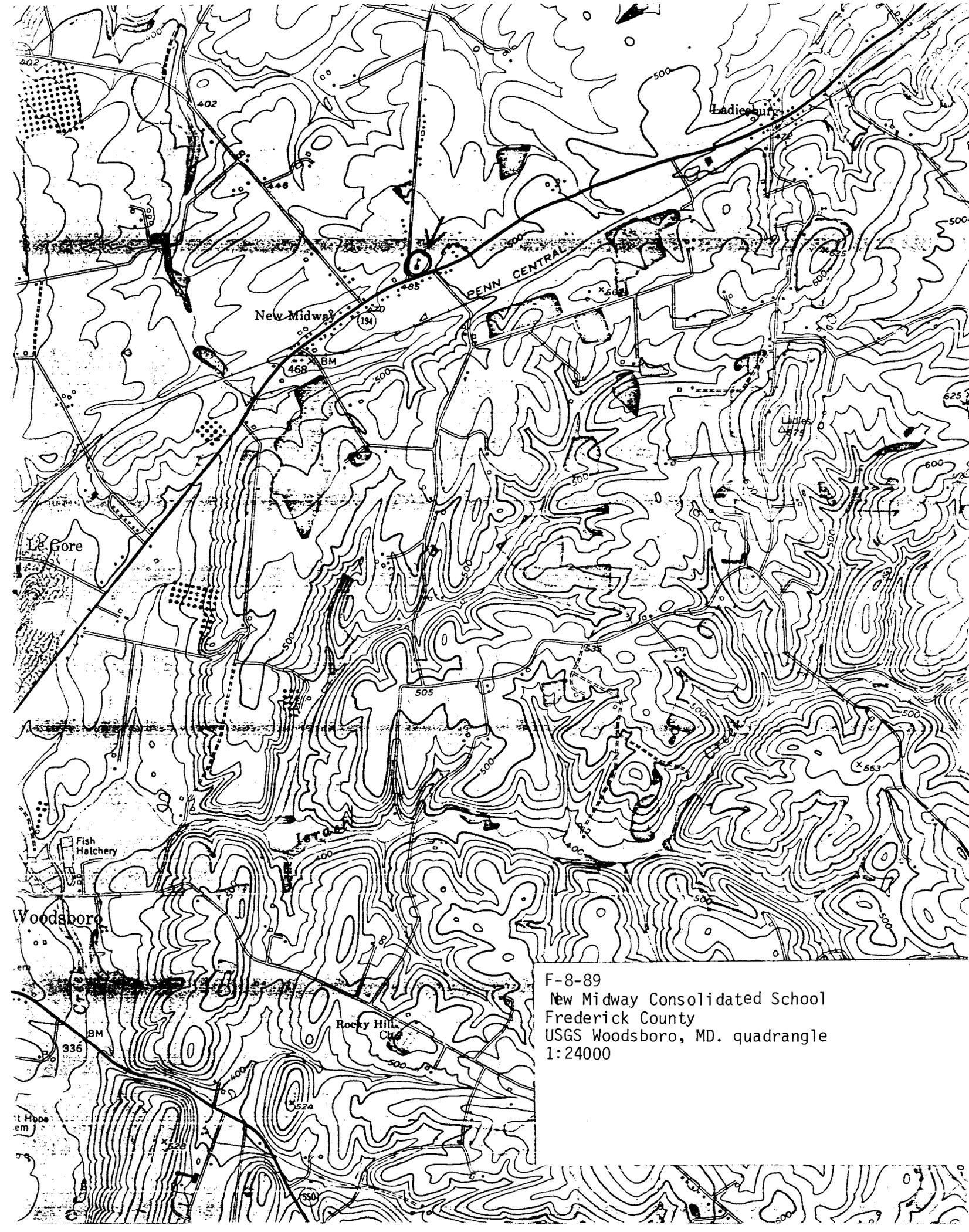
The New Midway Consolidated School is a two-story brick school with simple Colonial Revival details and a hipped roof with a central cupola built about 1930 on the northeast corner of Woodsboro Pike and Detour Road near New Midway, Maryland. The building is adjoined by a one-story 1960's brick extension with a connecting hyphen to the original structure.

The main building appears to have a central hall plan with the main entrance originally on the southeast elevation. This facade had three bays with a central stairwell lighted by the center window. The two flanking windows are now filled in with brick. Stone trim still defines the former openings. The ground level is covered with stucco, possibly over an original rusticated or stone base. The doorway has a modern flat canopy which links with a similar canopy over a walkway toward the current main entrance in the 1960's wing. Above the canopy is an inset stone inscribed "New Midway Consolidated School" below the central window lighting the stairwell. Brick quoins define the corners of the building. The north and south elevations have six bays of large windows with replacement anodized aluminum sash. The sills and lintels are linked by stone belt courses and diamond stone decoration is located between the floors. The cornice has a deep soffit over a simple frieze. The slate roof rises to a central cupola with louvers and a dome roof.

### 8.1 Significance

The New Midway Consolidated School is a good example, although altered, of an early 20th century rural school. The Colonial Revival details of quoins, stone trim with brick walls, hipped slate roof, and belt courses are commonly found in educational buildings of the period in both urban and rural locations. The simple doorway differentiates the rural school which usually had one main entrance. Urban schools often had multiple entries, sometimes marked for boys and girls or as entry to specific facilities, such as an auditorium or gymnasium. The New Midway School joined together small schools in New Midway, the Grove Academy on Detour Road (F-8-90) and Ladiesburg. These had been one-room brick and frame late 19th century school buildings. The 1930's school reflected reforms in education concerned with improved facilities.

The New Midway School is the best example of the early 20th century school located in the Walkersville region. Further research into educational history and site-specific studies need to be done to establish the education context in Frederick County.



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USGS Woodsboro, MD. quadrangle  
1:24000



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South elevation

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West elevation

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