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PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION Box 1026 PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120		7. Local survey organization Philadelphia Historical Commission		5. Surname name Laura H. Carnell School	1. County Philadelphia
8. property owners name and address School District of Philadelphia 21st and Winter Streets Philadelphia, PA 19103		9. tax parcel number / other number 886270500			
12. classification <input type="checkbox"/> site <input type="checkbox"/> structure <input type="checkbox"/> object <input type="checkbox"/> building <input type="checkbox"/> Thematic in N.R. district yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/>		13. date(s) (how determined) 1930-1931 14. period 1930-1931		15. style, design or folk type Late Gothic Revival	
16. architect or engineer Irwin T. Catharine		17. contractor or builder Unknown		18. primary building mat./construction Brick with stone & terra cotta trim	
19. original use School		20. present use School		21. condition Excellent	
22. integrity Very good					
23. site plan with north arrow 		2. municipality Philadelphia 6. other name (historic name if any) N/A 3. street address or specific location 6101 Summerdale Ave., a.k.a. 1100 Devereaux St. 4. survey code			
24. photo notation					
25. file/location					
26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings) A 3-story, 8-register, brick school set upon a raised basement. The outside registers are blank, featuring a large diapered brick panel. The central four registers each have five windows in a 1-3-1 arrangement and are separated from each other by brick piers containing terra cotta capitals above the third floor window line. The registers next to the outside contain ground floor stone arched entryways, a stone 2-story bay at the second and third floors, paired windows within a single opening at the fourth level and a crenellated battlement at the top marked by four small towers at each corner. Generally, the details of this building follow those introduced in 1922 with the Jenks and Morrison Schools, but brought to full flower in this design. A small rear addition was constructed in 1953.					
27. history, significance and/or background The School District undertook a massive construction program in the 1920s. Between 1924 and 1930, it erected six 3-story, 8-register, yellow brick, Art Deco elementary schools on Irwin T. Catharine's model of type 144; they appear in this nomination. He used this same basic form and plan in three other schools in 1929-1931, including the Laura H. Carnell School, which substituted red brick for yellow and Academic					
28. sources of information Edmunds, Chronological List of Public School Buildings, 1818-1934 School Board, "New School Buildings Under Contract"				29. prepared by: J. M. Moak	
(continue on back if necessary)				30. date 5-20-87	
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27. HISTORY/SIGNIFICANCE (continued)

Gothic for Art Deco. This group of three -- or more properly nine -- illustrates the proliferation of school buildings in the 1920s, the versatility of Catharine, and a peculiar stylistic ambiguity or tension between statements of modernity and tradition. The group of three were also among the last of Catharine's designs in the Academic or Collegiate Gothic style. The Carnell School has very good integrity.

National Register Criteria: C, Architecture

Boundary Justification: The nominated property contains the contributing building and all historically associated land.

There is one contributing building on the nominated property.

Verbal boundary: the nominated property is tax parcel #886270500.

EVALUATION

This building warrants listing on the National Register for its place in the history of education and of school architecture in Philadelphia.

EVALUATOR(S)

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Philadelphia Public Schools TR

State Philadelphia County, PA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 11. Bregy, F. Amadee, School **Substantive Review** Keeper Linda McClelland 11/15/88
Attest _____
- 12. Bridesburg School *no change* Keeper Linda McClelland 11/10/89
Attest _____
- 13. Brown, Joseph H., School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
Attest _____
- 14. Carnell, Laura H., School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
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- 15. Cassidy, Lewis C., School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
Attest _____
- 16. Catharine, Joseph W., School **Substantive Review** Keeper Linda McClelland 11/15/88
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- 17. Chandler, George, School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
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- 18. Childs, George W., School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
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- 19. Comly, Watson, School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
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- 20. Conwell, Russell H., School **Entered in the National Register** Keeper Helene Byer 11/18/88
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Carnell, Laura H., School

MULTIPLE NAME: Philadelphia Public Schools TR

STATE & COUNTY: PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia

DATE RECEIVED: 10/04/88 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 10/18/88
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 11/03/88 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 11/18/88
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 88002251

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 11/18/88 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Phila. Public Schools TR

Phila. County

Laura H. Carnell School

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Front Facade

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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