



HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) Miss Porter's School Daycare Center - Sarah Porter
 Building Name (Historic) Miss Porter's School
 Street Address or Location Mountain Road, within Sarah Porter's School grounds.
 Town/City Farmington Village _____ County Hartford County
 Owner(s) Miss Porter's School Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Day Care Center
 Historic Use: School Building
 Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? Yes No
 Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____
 Style of building Greek Revival with later Gothic Revival elements Date of Construction 1849

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

- Clapboard Asbestos Siding Brick Wood Shingle Asphalt Siding
- Fieldstone Board & Batten Stucco Cobblestone Aluminum Siding
- Concrete (Type _____) Cut Stone (Type _____) Other _____

Structural System

- Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
- Other _____

Roof (Type)

- Gable Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth
- Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other _____

(Material)

- Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate Asphalt Shingle
- Built up Tile Other _____

Number of Stories: 1.5 Approximate Dimensions 40x20'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? _____

Alterations? Yes No If yes, explain: Possibly cross gables a later addition

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____
 District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)

Related outbuildings or landscape features:

- Barn Shed Garage Carriage House Shop Garden
 Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- Open land Woodland Residential Commercial Industrial Rural
 High building density Scattered buildings visible from site

• Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

Daycare center for the Miss Porter's School. School buildings occupy surrounding area.

• Other notable features of building or site (*Interior and/or Exterior*)

Architect _____ Builder _____

• Historical or Architectural importance:

Sarah Porter opened her school for girls in Farmington in 1847. Porter believed that women should be the beneficiaries of a rigorous and comprehensive course of study to prepare them for the future as guardians of a virtuous republic. By 1885, Sarah Porter had bought the original schoolhouse and surrounding properties to accommodate increasing numbers of students. She supported reforms in divorce and property laws that had disadvantaged women and founded the Farmington Lodge Society to bring "tired and overworked" girls from New York City to Farmington during their summer vacation. In 1943, it was incorporated as a non-profit institution which continues today. This schoolhouse building was erected for use by the Farmington Female Seminary, later known as Miss Porter's School. Today the building serves as a daycare center.

• Sources:

<http://www.cwhf.org/inductees/education-preservation/sarah-porter>

Photographer David C. Berg Date 3/2012

View Sarah Porter School, View to South. Negative on File _____

Name _____ Date _____

Organization The Ottery Group

Address 3420 Morningwood Drive Olney, Maryland 20832

• Subsequent field evaluations:

Threats to the building or site:

- None known Highways Vandalism Developers Renewal Private
 Deterioration Zoning Other _____ Explanation _____