

Algona Junior and Senior High School Building and High School Building Annex

Algona Junior and Senior High School Building and High School Building Annex are historic buildings located in Algona, Iowa, United States. It opened as Algona High School in 1931, and it served that purpose until 1970 when a new high school building opened on the south side of town. In 1951 an annex building was built on the corner of South Harlan and East Nebraska Streets. The buildings were then converted into a middle school beginning in 1971 and they continued to serve that purpose until 2008. Both buildings were listed together on the National Register of Historic Places in 2014 for its architectural style and its contribution to history. The structure was built in the Neoclassical style and was designed by the Des Moines architectural firm of Proudfoot, Rawson, Souers & Thomas. The building was designed at the time when extracurricular activities for sports and theatre, multi-function areas as gym/cafeteria and library/study hall, and "progressive education" ideologies that provided more hands-on learning for science, commercial, manual training, and domestic science were all becoming popular.



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