

# **Palmer School Building Story Slides Collection 405**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
<b>Title</b>	Palmer School Building Story Slides
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1953-1954
<b>Extent</b>	1.0 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	This collection of slides documents the building of the new Palmer School from 1953-1954. Included are images of the construction of the school, classrooms, teachers, and events surrounding the dedication of the building.

## **Biographical/Historical note**

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The original Palmer School was built in 1893 at the corner of Palmer Avenue and Lafayette Street. It contained eight rooms, with space for 400 students. In 1953, as part of the Board of Education's Support our Schools (S.O.S) building program, the original school building was demolished, as were houses that faced Ann and Palmer streets, to make way for the new school building. Construction on the new Palmer School began in 1953 and was designed by architect James K. Haveman. The school opened in the spring of 1954. This collection of slides documents the story of the building of the new Palmer School.

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## **Scope and Contents note**

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The Palmer School Building Story Slides collection contains over 150 slides documenting the building of the new Palmer School in 1953-1954. Along with images of the construction phases of the building are images of students, teachers, P.T.A. Groups, and classroom activities.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Geographic Name(s)**

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History -- 20th Century

## **Subject(s)**

- Buildings -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- Photographs
- Education -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- History

## Collection Inventory

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