



(Old) Douglass High School

600 NORTH HIGH AVENUE, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA



(Old) Douglass High School, also known as Page Woodson High School, is individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places (2007) and is designed in Classical Revival style. It was built with red brick and originally constructed in 1910 with the name Lowell School. It was designed by the architecture firm Layton, Smith, Hawk. The building was originally designed as a three-story building with a raised basement and a rectangular footprint; additions were added on to the school in 1934 by Layton, Hicks and Forsyth architects. These additions included a new auditorium, gymnasium, pool, and additional classrooms for the increasing population. Also, during this time the building moved from an all-white school to the only all-Black high school in Oklahoma City. Modifications were made once again in 1943 by the architectural firm of Sorey, Hill, Sorey. The new additions to the building transformed what was a rectangular building to a U-Shaped building with a courtyard area in the middle. The school officially closed in 1993.

The school now serves as market-rate apartments. The exterior masonry was cleaned, repaired, and repointed. The 1948 pool addition was demolished, an ADA ramp was installed, new architecturally appropriate windows and doors were installed, and a new roof was installed. On the interior, the corridor configuration was maintained with historic features retained, the perimeter walls were minimally furred out to add insulation, original flooring and ceiling materials were restored, and new mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire suppression systems were installed. The auditorium was restored.

In addition to renovation of the school, new apartments designed by Butzer Architects & Urban were constructed on the site.

Project Profile

Year Built: 1910

Start of Rehab: 3/18/2015

Rehab Completion: 6/1/2017

Date of Certification: 7/21/2017

Original Use: High School

New Use: Market Rate Housing

Est. Total Project Cost: \$31,444,380

Est. Qualified Rehab Costs: \$15,746,927

Est. Combined Federal/State Tax Credit (40%): \$6,298,770

Historic Preservation Consultant:

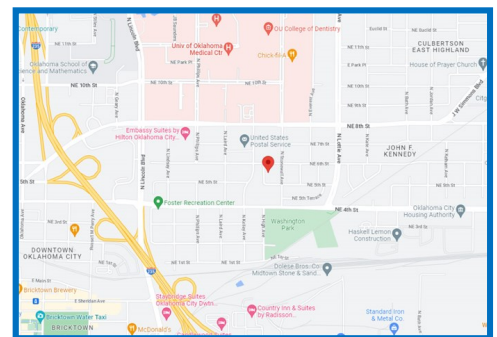
Ray, Ellis & LaBrie Consulting, LLC

Architectural Consultant:

Smith Dalia Architects, LLC

Property Owner/Developer:

Ronald Bradshaw; New Page Oklahoma, LLC



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