

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	WEY.119
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Jefferson School
<b>Common Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	200 Middle St
<b>City/Town:</b>	Weymouth
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	Weymouth
<b>Local No:</b>	
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	
<b>Architect(s):</b>	Woodcock, Shepard S.
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	Queen Anne
<b>Use(s):</b>	Business Office; Public School
<b>Significance:</b>	Architecture; Education
<b>Area(s):</b>	WEY.E: Central Square Historic District
<b>Designation(s):</b>	Nat'l Register District (2/13/1992); Nat'l Register Individual Property (5/12/1981)
<b>Building Materials(s):</b>	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Wood Clapboard; Wood Shingle; Glass



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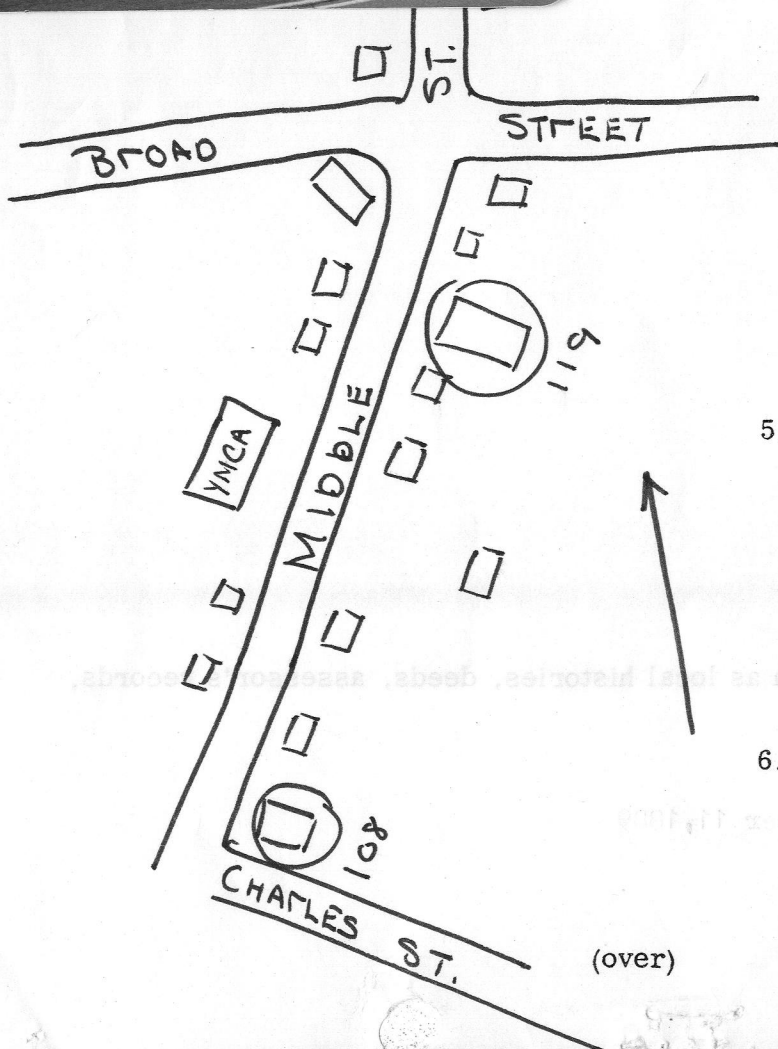
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1. Town Weymouth

Address 200 Middle Street

Name Jefferson School

Present use Offices and classrooms for

School Dept. projects

Present owner Town of Weymouth

3. Description:

Date 1889

Source Queen Anne

Style Weymouth Town Report-1889

Architect plans of S.S. Woodcock

Exterior wall fabric clapboard/shingle

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features see attached

Altered concrete steps Date unknown

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less \_\_\_\_\_ Over one acre X

Approximate frontage 70'

Approximate distance of building from street

80'

6. Recorded by Sharon Cassani-Clarke

Organization Weymouth Historical Comm.

Date 2/15/79

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Town of Weymouth

Original use Education

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates School Dept. projects

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/ invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/ humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Community development	<input type="checkbox"/>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Built in 1889, the Jefferson School remains as one of the outstanding buildings in Weymouth. (see attached for architectural evaluation). The four-room school was designed and adapted from the plans of S.S. Woodcock that had been drawn for the six-room Washington School constructed in 1887.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Weymouth Town Report-1889

The Weymouth Gazette-September 11, 1889



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Weymouth Historical Commission

21 March 1979

Architectural Evaluation of The Jefferson School  
at 200 Middle Street

Jefferson School is a fine Queen Anne structure which has undergone few alterations, hence has retained most of its late 19th century characteristic details. The massing and silhouette is relatively simple and symetric when compared to houses of the Queen Anne style which strived for the picturesque with their jagged profiles. The rational plan of the interior, four large corner classrooms (two on each floor) and the anterooms reflect the exterior configuration. The facade is made up of a large central cross gable pavillon, decorated with scalloped shingles on a pent roof which separated the two floors, two Queen Anne horizontal windows ( plain pane surrounded with small square lights) and a panel of geometric strap work which emphasizes the buildings axial symetry. The whole is dominated by an octagonal clock tower topped by a tall dome. On each side of the front is a corner porch, with typical Queen Anne turned posts as supports. Small dormers in the cross gab le and triangular dormer windows on the tall hip roof relieve the severity of the rool line. The school is now painted white, but originally it was probably taupe (as seen in a 1936 watercolor) or grey.

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PLAN RECORD

CASE **C** RACK **2A** APART. **2** NO. **72432**  
BUILDING **Jefferson School** STORIES  
CITY OR TOWN **Weymouth** STREET **Central Sq.**  
TO BE USED FOR **School** CLASS  
OWNER **Town of Weymouth**  
ARCHITECT **Ray G. Parker**  
CERTIFICATE APPROVAL—SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS—REFERRED  
DATE **7/14/38**  
INSPECTOR **Boyle**