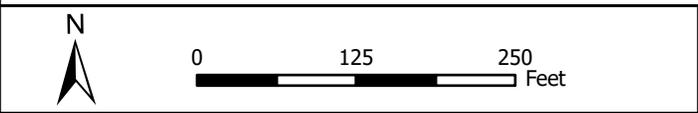


Proposed Nelly Custis Elementary School Local Historic District Boundary



Notes: The Historic District Boundary includes RPC(s): 36-039-015

- Legend**
- Parcel Boundaries
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**APPENDIX ONE:
Current Photographs, Historic
Maps and Photographs**

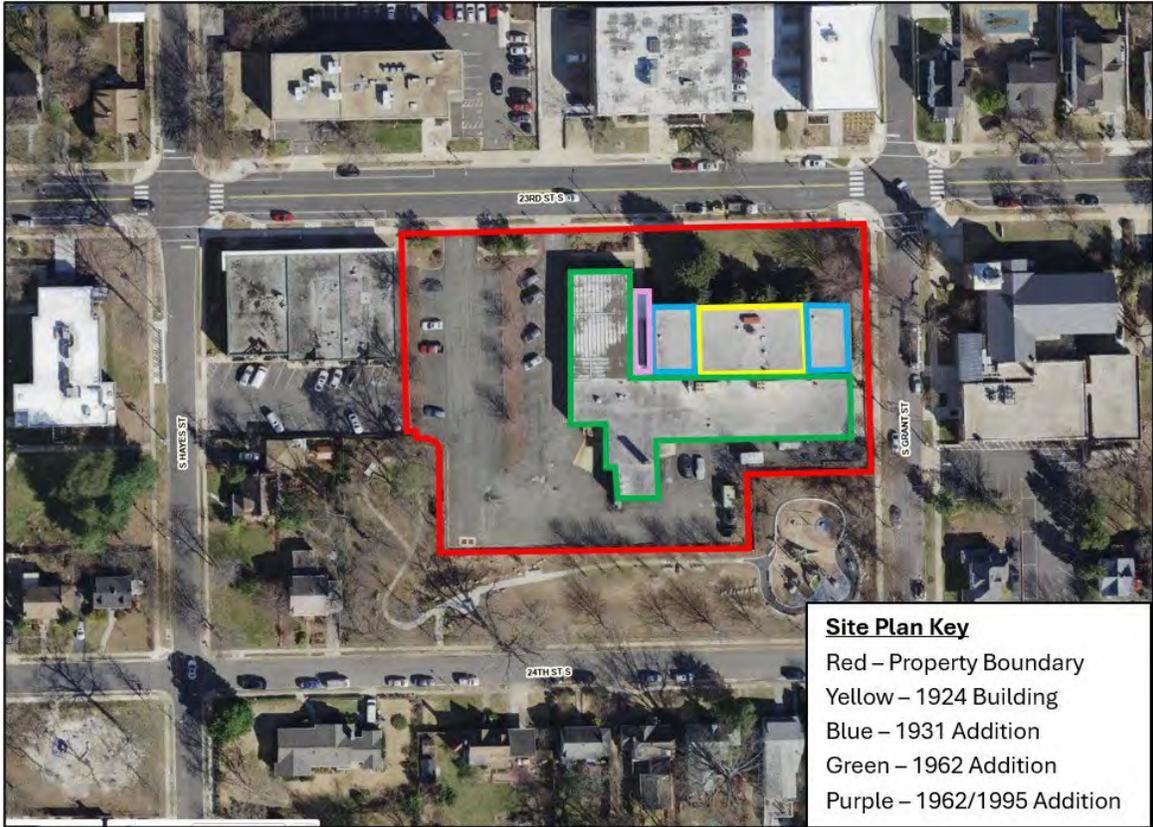


Figure 1: Site Plan showing the building and its various additions, 750 23rd Street South (GIS Mapping Center, Arlington County, 2025).



Figure 2: Landscape and Hardscape, 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 3: Northwest oblique of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southeast. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 4: North elevation (façade) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2024.



Figure 5: North elevation (façade) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking South. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 6: Detail of the North elevation (façade) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 7: Detail of North Elevation of the North extension of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking South. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 8: Northwest oblique of the North extension of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southeast. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 9: East elevation of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Southwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 10: Southeast oblique of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 11: Detail of entrance on the East elevation of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking West. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 12: South elevation (rear) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 13: South elevation (rear) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northeast. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 14: South elevation (rear) of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northeast. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 15: Southeast oblique of the South extension of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northwest. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.



Figure 16: Southwest oblique of the South extension of the Nelly Custis Elementary School Building at 750 23rd Street South, Looking Northeast. *Source:* Arlington County Historic Preservation Program, 2025.

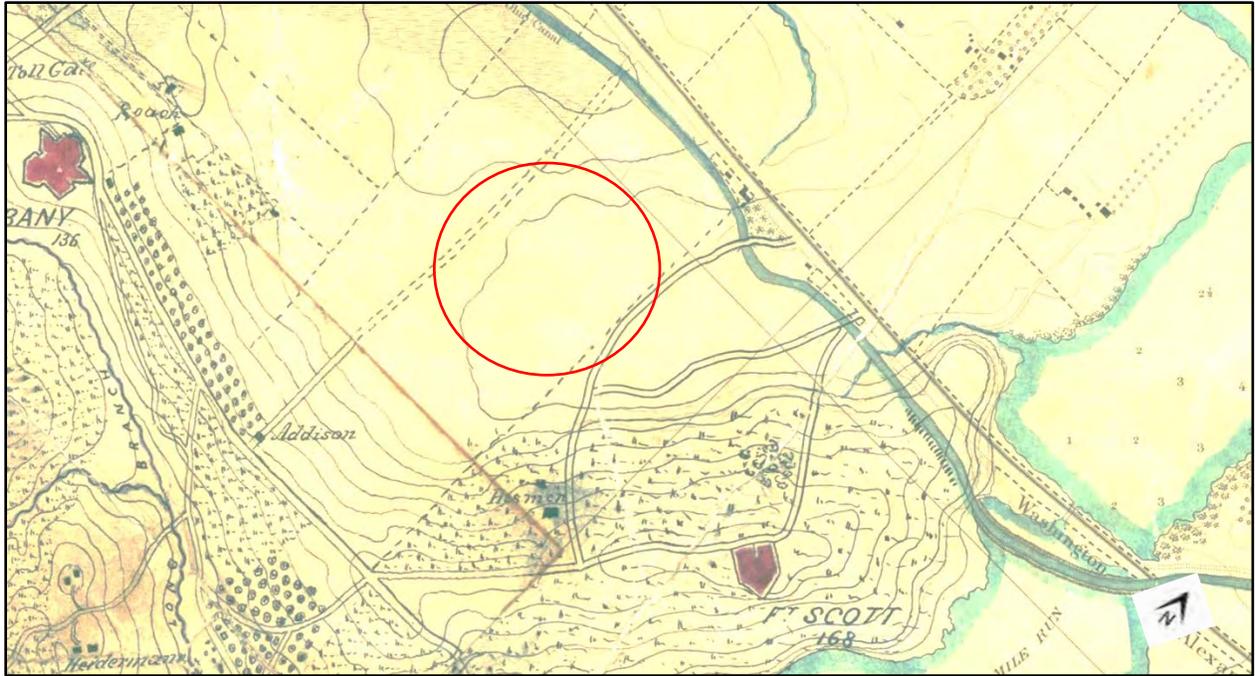


Figure 17: Map from c. 1860 depicting the area of the Aurora Highland neighborhood. The red circle is the approximate location of the Nelly Custis School. *Source: 1860 Map of Washington, D.C., National Archives.*

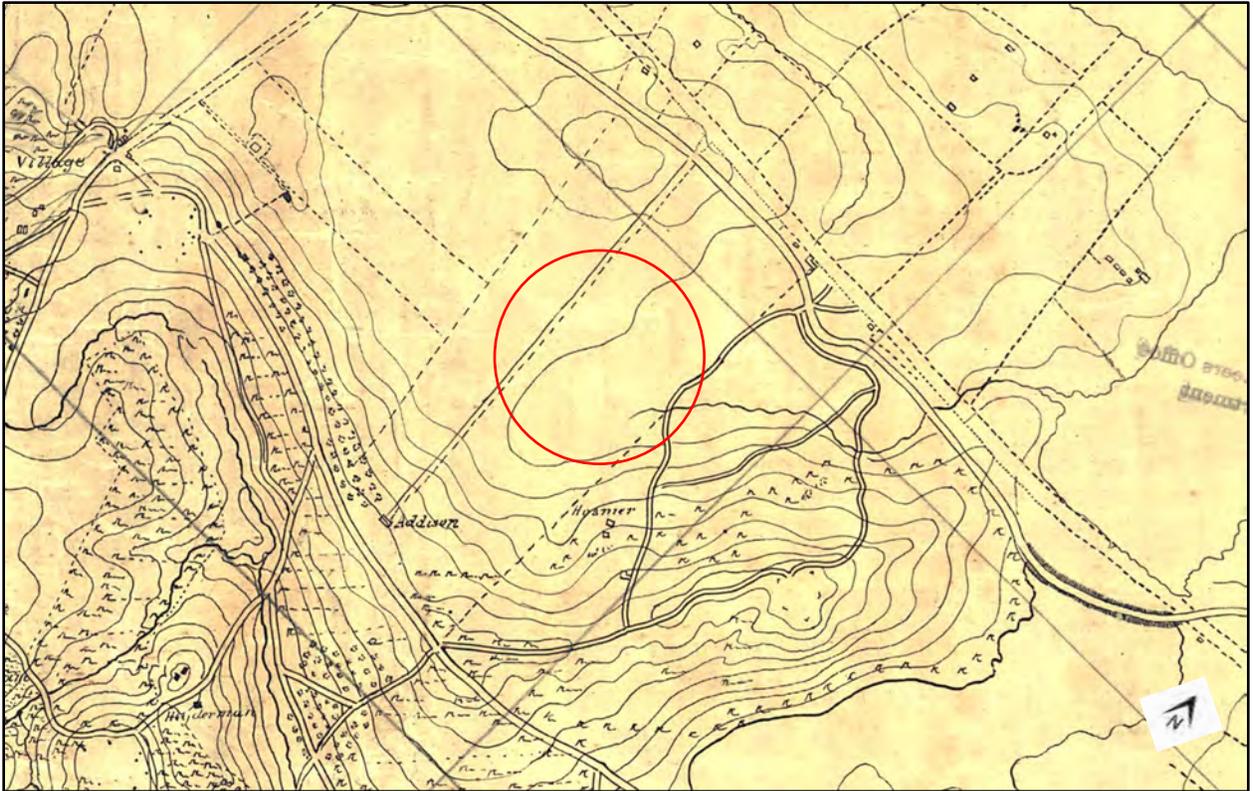


Figure 18: Map from c. 1860 depicting the area of the Aurora Highland neighborhood. The red circle is the approximate location of the Nelly Custis School. *Source:* United States Army. Corps Of Engineers. Detailed map of part of Virginia from Alexandria to the Potomac River above Washington, D.C. 186. [186] [Map], Library of Congress.



Figure 19: Rixey Mansion (1920) in 2010, currently Marymount University, designed by Upman & Adams. *Source:* Infamous Arlingtonian Mary Ann Hall, Rixey Mansion, (accessed January 4, 2026) <https://library.arlingtonva.us/>, Arlington Public Library.

ARLINGTON COUNTY.

CLARENDON, Va., July 5 (Special).
—The school board of Arlington County has issued a call for bids for the construction of three of the elementary school buildings included in the school building program, which also provides for a new senior and junior high school for use of Washington and Arlington districts, a new high school for Jefferson district and several other elementary schools, bonds for which have been authorized. The three for which bids have been asked are to be located at Barcroft, Virginia Highlands and Nauck. The bids, which will be based on plans prepared by Upman & Adams, architects of Washington, D. C., will be received up to noon of Monday, July 21.

Figure 20: Newspaper article from the *Evening Star* requesting construction bids for three elementary school buildings in Arlington County, including for an elementary school building in Virginia Highlands based on plans prepared by Upman & Adams. Source: "Arlington County" *Evening Star*, July 6, 1924, pg. 25. www.newspapers.com.



Figure 21: Barcroft Elementary School (1924) designed by Upman & Adams of Washington, D.C., located at 2110 Washington Boulevard. *Source:* "Our School", Barcroft Elementary School, (accessed February 13, 2026), <https://barcroft.apsva.us>, Arlington Public Schools.



Figure 22: Washington and Lee High School (1924), designed by Upman & Adams. Located at 1300 North Quincy Street. Reconstructed in 2006. *Source*: “Washington and Lee High School”, *Arlington Magazine*, (accessed February 13, 2026), <https://assets-arlingtonmagazine-com>.



Figure 23: Woodrow Wilson School (1920) and rear addition (1925), which was designed by Upman & Adams. Located at 1601 Wilson Boulevard until demolished in 2017. Photographed in 1932. *Source*: “The Wilson School”, (accessed February 13, 2026), <https://library.arlingtonva.us>, Arlington Central Library.



Figure 24: Lee Arts Center (1926), formerly the Robert E. Lee Elementary School, designed by Upman & Adams. Located at 5722 Langston Boulevard. *Source:* “Lee Center Study”, (accessed February 13, 2026), <https://www.arlingtonva.us>, Arlington County Government.



Figure 25: Longworth House Office Building (1933) in the 1980s, designed by Upman & Adams of Washington, D.C. *Source:* “Longworth House Office Building”, Society of Architectural Historians, (accessed January 4, 2026), www.sah-archipedia.org.

In the presence of more than 150 persons the Stars and Strips were raised over the new Nellie Custis school at Virginia Highlands by members of Star-Spangled Banner Council No. 8, Junior Order of American Mechanics, who also presented a Bible to be used in the school. The State flag was presented by members of the Sunday school class of Mrs. Isabella Davis.

Clyde C. Lamond, chairman of the Arlington county school board accepted the two flags and Bible in the name of the school. Addresses were delivered by Misses Speakman and Johnson, of the Junior Order Council.

Professor Fletcher Kemp, superintendent of schools, said last night that the school will open today and classes will begin at the usual hour. Miss Virginia Storck, and Miss M. Reynolds will be the teachers and M. Florine, caretaker.

Figure 26: Newspaper reporting on the opening of Nelly Custis School in Virginia Highlands on December 8, 1924. Source: "Garrison Road Dedication Planned" *Times Herald*, December 8, 1924, pg. 3, www.newspapers.com.



Figure 27: Nelly Custis Elementary School in 1930 prior to expansion in 1931. *Source:* Nellie Custis, Arlington County, School Buildings Service Photographs Collection, 1930, Library of Virginia.

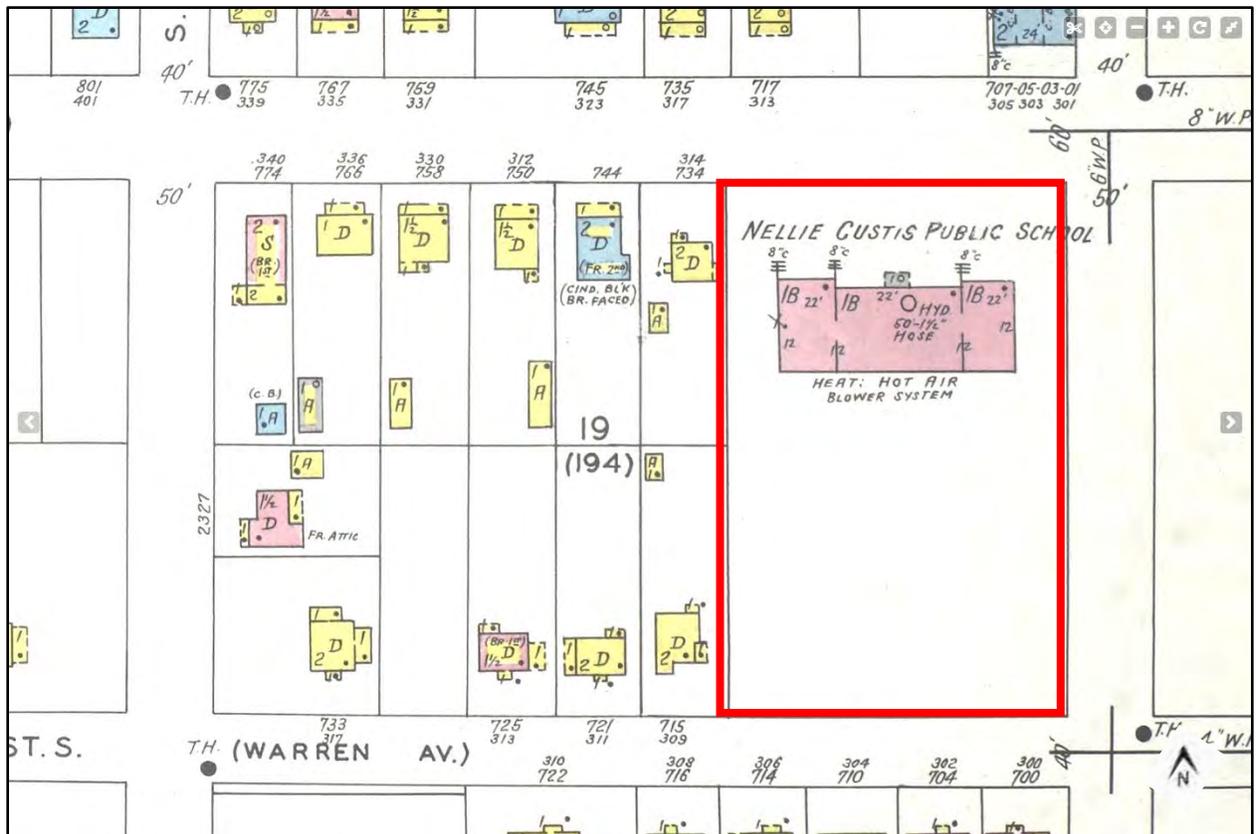


Figure 29: Map from 1936 depicting Aurora Highland neighborhood. The red square is the Nelly Custis School. Source: *Sanborn Fire Insurance Map*, Library of Congress.



Figure 30: Nelly Custis Elementary School in 1932 after the 1931 expansion. *Source:* Fire Insurance Survey, 1932, RG 32-7-8-1, Central Library of Arlington County.

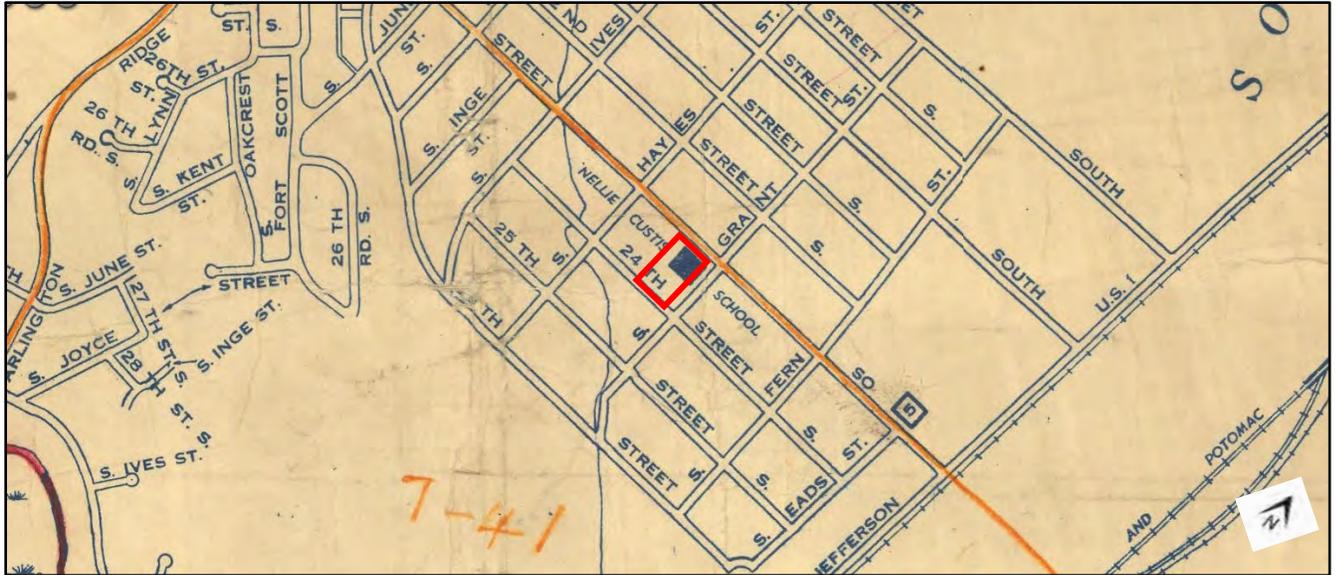


Figure 31: Map from 1940 depicting Aurora Highland neighborhood. The red square is the Nelly Custis School. *Source:* 1940 Census Enumeration District Maps, National Archives.

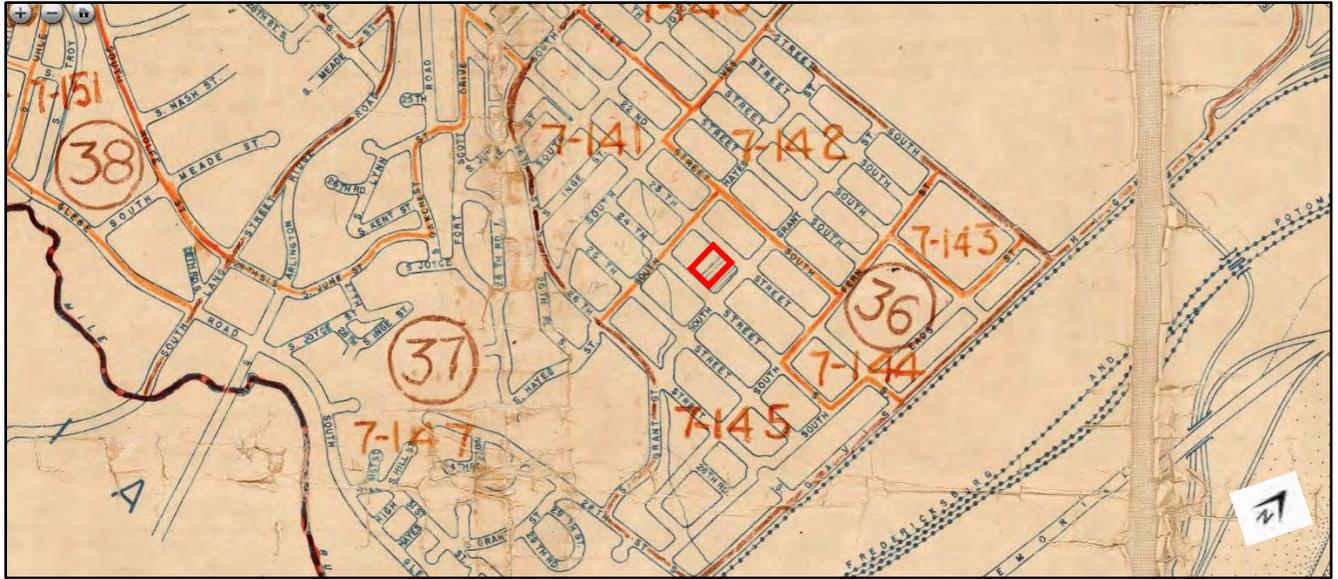


Figure 32: Map from 1950 depicting Aurora Highland neighborhood. The red square is the Nelly Custis School. *Source:* 1950 Census Enumeration District Maps - Virginia (VA) - Arlington County, National Archives.