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COVINGTON COUNTY'S CHURCH STREET SCHOOL ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Church Street School in Andalusia to the Alabama Register of Landmarks & Heritage.

The Alabama Register is a prestigious listing of historic, architectural, and archaeological landmarks. The AHC considers the notable historic properties in this register to be particularly worthy of preservation and appreciation, and therefore deserving of this special recognition.

Constructed in 1923, the Church Street School once served as the city high school until around 1941 and later as the elementary school until 2000. Architects Frederick Ausfield and Carl C. Cooper designed the school at the request of the Andalusia Development Company during the administration of Mayor Trammell Henderson.

Church Street School is an excellent example of Mission Revival architecture. The main floor of the building is currently being restored for use by the Andalusia Ballet Association. Future plans are to complete the restoration of the entire building for use as a community cultural arts center.

The Alabama Historical Commission administers the Alabama Register program, which gives the public a simple way to bring recognition to historic properties.

The Alabama Register officially recognizes and honors buildings, sites, structures, objects, and historic districts that are at least 40 years old.

The Alabama Register designation is honorary and carries no restrictions on property and offers no financial incentives.

*To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the **Alabama Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office.***

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