

The Carver School in Decatur, Morgan County listed in the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage

The Carver School played a pivotal role as the sole provider of education for African Americans in the eastern portion of Decatur until 1966. Constructed in 1927 and called “the east town school,” it was known by several other names, including Gibbs Street School, East Decatur Colored School and Albany Negro School. On March 9, 1935, the Board of Education approved a request to change the name of the school in honor of Dr. George Washington Carver. Today, it is the oldest remaining black school building in Decatur.

The **Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage** is an official listing of places worthy of preservation. The Alabama Historical Commission administers the program, which gives the public a simple way to bring recognition to historic properties. The Alabama Register officially recognizes and honors historic places that are at least 40 years old.

For more information about the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage, visit: www.preserveala.org/alabamaregister.aspx.

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