



75A-028 Ridgeley School

8507 Central Avenue

Capitol Heights

Built in 1927, Ridgeley School is a one-story, hip-roof frame building, typical of the two-room schoolhouses built in Prince George's County in the 1920s. The building originally consisted of two large classrooms; separated by a central passage and an "Industrial Room," but a rear wing with a third classroom was added within 20 years. The construction of this schoolhouse was partially supported by the Rosenwald School Fund, to serve the African-American children of the surrounding community. It is the best example of only nine surviving Rosenwald schools of the 28 originally built in the county. Recently restored by M-NCPPC, it will be opened to the public as a museum.