

Table of 19th Century Grand Rapids Public Schools

High Schools (names listed from earliest to most recent)	Architect	Builder	Built Replaced Addition	Location	Notes
Union School Central School Central High School		David Burnett	1849	Ransom, Lyon, Barclay	Stone building, 3 stories
	Thomas Pratt		1867 New	Ransom, Lyon, Barclay	Pratt, Northampton, Massachusetts, Rueben Wheeler, GR, consulting architect. <i>21 schoolrooms</i>
	W.G. Robinson	Hauser & Hayden,	1892 New	Ransom, Lyon, Barclay	
	Robinson & Campau		1910 New	Fountain between College & Prospect	W.B. Ittner, well known school designer of St. Louis MO, was collaborating architect. Henry H. Turner designed the interior.
Union High School			1855	Turner, Third, Broadway	Stone building, 3 stories, 9 rooms
	W.G. Robinson	John S. Farr	1875 New		3 stories, 85 X 108 ft., 21 rooms, outhouses
		N. Rosema & J. Sullivan	1890 add		
	Robinson & Campau	Charles Hoertz & Son	1910 add.		

Primary Schools (names listed from earliest to most recent)	Architect	Builder	Built Replaced Addition	Location (current name of street)	Notes
Coldbrook/Dist. 6 E. Leonard			Before 1860	Plainfield Ave. at Leonard	
			1861	E.Leonard & North	2 story brick, 2 rooms, the first brick school in Grand Rapids
		Charles Hoertz	1897 New		Patterned on Buchanan School.
Ward 2 Primary 1 E. Bridge St. N. Division St.,			1856	E. Bridge (Michigan), Division, Ionia	
			1866		2 story brick building, 5 rooms w/basement

			1908	E. side of Division, South of Crescent	See 20 th Century Schools. 3 story brick. Housed Deaf School & Truant School.
Ward 1 Primary 2 S. Division St.,			1856-57	Plank Road (Division) and Bartlett	
			1865 add		Elevated building and added basement (brick) schoolroom.
		Berend DeGraff	1875	Spring St.(Commerce)	Two-story, 4 room wooden building, 32 X 70ft, above a brick basement at the rear of the original schoolhouse.
	Robinson & Barnaby	Hosken & Maunder	1884-New	S. Division on north side of Bartlett	14 room brick
Ward 3 Primary 3 Fountain St,			1856	North side of Fountain between College & Prospect	Jan. 1873, Ward 3 building was moved from Fountain St. and “fitted up” on the NW corner of Spring St. and Goodrich to relieve congestion at Primary No.2 on S. Division. For a short time it was referred to as Primary No. 9.
			1868 Add		Addition seated sixty pupils.
	Wm. G. Robinson	Gifford & Maunder	1872-New		3 story brick, basement
Ward 4 Primary 4 Wealthy Ave.			1860	NW corner Wealthy & Prospect	
			1869 New	SW corner Wealthy & Lafayette	2 story brick, 6 schoolrooms
	A.W. Rush & Son		1892 Add		4 rooms added
Primary 6 Turner St.			1866	Turner between 11 th and Leonard	2 story wooden building w/3 rooms.
		Wm. Leonard	1874-Add		2 stories, 26 X 36 ft. Lots and building sold in 1888 for \$2200.
	Sidney J. Osgood	Fred C. Miller	1882-New	Turner, Broadway, 11th	Two story, brick building with 12 rooms.
	Williamson & Crowe		1908- Rep.		1908- rebuilt after fire.
Primary 5 Second Ave Grandville,			1870	Near Grandville between current Logan & Pleasant	2 story brick, 2 rooms <i>1908 – shower bath installed in basement as</i>

					<i>experiment for pupils & residents of district</i>
	Sidney J. Osgood	Hosken & Maunder	1882 Add		4 rooms added plus heating & ventilation. Needed to relieve congestion at Primary No.7.
	W. G. Robinson		1888 Add		4 rooms added <i>One story, one rm. Frame bldg with stove used as kindergarten on property.</i>
Primary 7 N. Ionia St.,			1870	Ionia between Walbridge & Coldbrook	1870-Rear of schoolhouse built, 2 stories.
			1872,		1872-front built, 3 stories w/basement. All brick, 8 rooms
			1889 Add		
Primary 8 Jefferson St.			1870	California, Gold, Jefferson (Lexington)	3 story brick, 5 rooms
	Sidney J. Osgood	F. G. Shepard	1882 Add		<i>Added 6 rooms or 5?</i>
Primary 9 Center St Sheldon		Sheridan & Cockerell	1875	Central (Sheldon), McDowell (Eighth, Delaware)	2 story brick, 4 rooms. Built on model of Spring St. School except of brick instead of wood.
	Sidney J. Osgood	Fred C. Miller	1882 Add		Brick, two stories, stone foundation, one large room and two recitation rooms on each floor.
Primary 11 Henry St.,			1878	Henry, James, Wealthy, Sherman	
			1889 Add		4 rooms added
Primary 10 Pine St.,			1879	First, Pine (Tamarack)	2 story brick
			1891 Add		4 rooms added
			1894 ?		
		Prange & Mohnke	1898 add.		4 rooms
Primary 12 Coit Ave.,			1880	Coit, Trowbridge, Fairbanks	2 story brick, 4 rooms
			1908 add.		4 rooms, first school structure w/flat roof
W. Leonard St.	Sidney J. Osgood		1882	W.Leonard between Quarry & Elizabeth	Steam, city sewer

Plainfield Ave	Robinson & Barnaby	J.D. Boland	1884	Quimby, Hanover Ct.	Two story brick, six rooms (to relieve congestion at Ionia & Coldbrook Schools).
	W.G. Robinson		1887 Add		4 rooms added
S. Ionia St.	W. G. Robinson	John Olson	1884	Ionia, Fifth (Franklin)	Wooden Bldg, built in 1874, moved to site from Spring St. in 1884 after completion of S. Division St. School. Refitted for \$2000.
E. Bridge St.	W. G. Robinson	H.D. Belcher	1885	South side of E. Bridge (Michigan) near College	6 room brick school. (To relieve congestion at Fountain & Coit Schools). White brick
		J. H. Fry	1890 Add		4 rooms
Seventh St. Stocking,	W. G. Robinson	H.D. Belcher	1885	Seventh, Stocking	Same plans as E. Bridge St. school adopted for Seventh St. White brick.
Straight St.			1883	Straight, Watson	Property with existing house refitted for school.
			1885 New		8 room brick school
			1890 Add		
Madison Ave.	W. G. Robinson		1888	Madison, Franklin	Brick, 12 rooms. Bd. of Ed. voted to use plans of Turner School, S.J. Osgood, architect. Perhaps Robinson's fee was for modifying Osgood's plans.
Baxter			1891	Dosker (Baxter), Dolbee	1891 annexation to the city
Congress St.			1891	Congress, Lake Dr.	1891 annexation to the city
Diamond St.			1891	Diamond, Fountain	1891 annexation to the city
Lake			1891	Wealthy, School St. (Norwood)	1891 annexation to the city
Oakdale		J. Lahuis & J.E. Verhey	1891 Add	Oakdale, Seymour, Kalamazoo	1891 annexation to the city. 2 story frame. City built 2 room addition.
					New 4 rm. frame bldg. w/closets on rear of lot
Union Primary		John Sullivan	1891		On Union HS grounds, 3 story brick 11 rooms
Walker			1891	W. Leonard	1891 annexation to the city. 2 story frame, stoves,
Paris			1857	"Ballard's Corners"	Township school. 1 story frame, 2 rooms.
			1891	Madison near Garden	1891 annexation to the city.
			1892		Brick, 12 rooms, replaced 2 room frame

					building
Hall St.	W.G. Robinson		1892	Hall, Grandville Ave.	Brick, 8 rooms
			1899 Add		4 rooms
		Appleyard, Johnson Co.	1908 Add		4 rooms
Jefferson Ave			1892	Jefferson, Cass, head of Fair	Brick, 8 rooms
	A.W. Rush & Son		1898 Add		
Sibley St.	J.H. Daverman		1892	Sibley, Indiana, S. Lane	Brick, 8 rooms
Widdicomb St.	J.H. Daverman		1892	Widdicomb, W. Leonard	Brick, 8 rooms
			1902-Add		
Palmer Ave			1893	Palmer, Watrous, Ann	
	Robinson & Campau	John Jungbacker	1907 Add		4 rooms
Buchanan	J. H. Daverman		1896	Buchanan, Brown, Griggs	Constructed on plan of Palmer School
	Robinson & Campau	John Jungbacker	1907 Add		4 rooms
			1896		Much needed repairs not made to buildings due to lack of funds
			1898		Water closets added to some schools