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Millington Schoolhouse

2008 \$29,437 Preservation Plan

2010 \$162,712 Exterior Renovations

Grant Recipient: Long Hill Township

Location: Long Hill Twp.

The Millington Schoolhouse #74 was determined to be individually eligible for the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places as an example of an important type of school building. It was constructed c. 1871 as a one-room front gable school, and later expanded to include more classroom space and a library and also served as the Town Hall including a business office and courtroom.

The building was apparently built about 1871 in response to the passage of the state public school law of that year and represents an enlarged, but otherwise relatively little altered building from the first years of rural schools. These schools were the first "public school" building in the modern sense of that term. Among surviving rural school buildings, the Millington school exemplifies an important type of school building, even if not the earliest one-room schoolhouse type.

The 2008 grant provided for the preparation of a Preservation Plan, Register Nomination, and Construction Documents.

The 2010 grant will assist with the rehabilitation of the exterior of the building, including reconfiguration of the accessible ramp; replace stairs to match historic photographs; repair/replace siding and trim; repair/repoint exterior stone and concrete; repair/repaint exterior windows and doors; replace gutters and downspouts; replace roof.