

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: **-1681606918**

**Property Name:** Bunker Hill School  
**Address:** 6 Bunker Hill DR  
**Apartment #:**  
**Ownership:** Private  
**ZIP:** 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	28	11

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:**

**NRIS Number:**

**HABS/HAER Number:**

### Description:

The Bunker Hill School at 6 Bunker Hill Drive is a two-story tall, three-bay wide, four-bay deep, frame private residence constructed circa 1850 in a vernacular style. A two-story, three-bay addition was added to the rear of the dwelling in 1993, along with a one-story, one-bay addition to the northwest elevation. The front-gabled roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and has a return cornice on the front elevation. A central brick chimney pierces the roof at the ridgeline. The exterior of the rectangular dwelling is clad in board and batten siding. A stucco frieze runs beneath the eaves and extends to the side elevations. Two-story cantons are located at the corners of the building, beneath the frieze. Fenestration on the front elevation consists of two-over-two, double-hung replacement wood-sash windows within pediment-top stucco surrounds. The entrance, located in the southwest corner of the building, consists of a wood paneled door with a wood screen door. Pilasters flank the door, which is sheltered by a pediment hood. Fenestration on the northwest and southeast elevations consist of two-over-two, double-hung replacement wood-sash windows within pediment-top stucco surrounds. The one-story, one-bay addition on the northwest elevation features a gable-front dormer and an overhang porch with wide square column supports. Character-defining elements of the dwelling include a return cornice, two-story cantons, and a stucco frieze that runs beneath the eaves on the front and side elevations. The property includes a one-story garage and a one-story shed, constructed after the district's period of significance.

History: The Bunker Hill School was constructed circa 1850 and was called the North School upon its opening. It served as a schoolhouse

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until 1896, when the Old Cranbury School at 23 North Main Street was completed (Chambers 2012:63). The Bunker Hill School first appears cartographically on the 1861 Walling map of Cranbury Township. It was the only building on Bunker Hill Drive at the time, then an unnamed street. It is the only building on Bunker Hill Drive on the 1872 Beers atlas and the 1876 Everts and Stewart map. The 1916 Sanborn map shows that the Bunker Hill School, by then a private residence on what was then called Brainerd Place, had a one-story wraparound porch, removed sometime after 1933. The 1933 Sanborn map shows a two-story frame outbuilding north of the dwelling; this outbuilding is now on the tax parcel associated with the John J. Bradley House at 10 Bunker Hill Drive

**Setting:**

The Bunker Hill School at 6 Bunker Hill Drive is sited on an L-shaped parcel (Block 28, Lot 11) located on the north side of Bunker Hill Drive in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing southwest and is set back approximately 20 feet from Bunker Hill Drive. A paved driveway leads north from Bunker Hill Drive to a one-story garage located northwest of the dwelling. A one-story shed is between the dwelling and the garage. The property is heavily wooded. The Bunker Hill School at 6 Bunker Hill Drive is located in a primarily residential neighborhood surrounded by residential properties dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries.

**Registration and Status Dates:**

**National Historic Landmark?:**

**National Register:** 9/18/1980

**New Jersey Register:** 8/9/1979

**Determination of Eligibility:** 3/25/1977

**Certification of Eligibility:**

**SHPO Opinion:**

**Local Designation:** 9/26/1988

**Other Designation:**

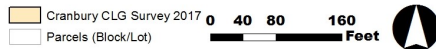
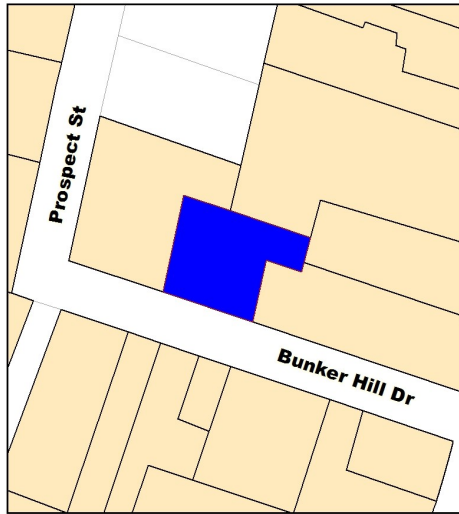
**Other Designation Date:**

**Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?**

**Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?**

**Location Map:**

**Site Map:**



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