

Goodhue



Goodhue, 1958 SPSA 605-2

The Shoreline Health and Guidance Center was constructed in 1946 as an administrative building by the Shoreline School District. When the Lake City District was annexed into the city of Seattle in 1954, the Nellie Goodhue school building became part of the Seattle School District. Seattle decided to turn the building into a center for children with special needs, at the same time closing nearby Woodhull Hay School. For two years, Woodhull Hay School had served this student population in the Shoreline School District in a residential-type building at 1st Avenue N and (N)E 128th Street.

Because the administrative building had been constructed with office-sized rooms, it could not accommodate large classes. This made it ideal for special education classes, which were much needed in the north end of the city. The new school was named for Nellie H. Goodhue, a retired Seattle Public Schools teacher and the first principal of Washington School. Goodhue had made pioneering contributions to the education of handicapped and exceptional children.

Nellie Goodhue School opened as an annex to Northgate in September 1954, with six classes serving about 40 pupils from the former Woodhull Hay School and 27 additional students. Through the years, the number of classes dropped to four and by 1959 there were 57 students and four teachers. Initially, transportation was furnished by Shoreline buses, which used the garages located behind the school building. Later, transportation was supplied by Seattle Transit buses, which also served Broadview, Jane Addams, and Ingraham schools. An energetic PTA, organized in 1955, actively worked to raise funds and provide additional services for the children.



Goodhue, 1955 SPSA 605-1

Nellie Goodhue School was closed in June 1961, in line with the Seattle School District's policy of integrating special education students into other classes when possible. Goodhue pupils were sent to Northgate and Oak Lake schools, and the building returned to its original use as an administrative center for the north end, housing a guidance center with school psychologists and social workers. The Student Assessment/Appeals Office moved from Goodhue to Wilson in summer 2000. In 2006, the district sold the 3.23-acre tract to a developer, and the property was rezoned for single-family residential.

Details:

Name: **Nellie Goodhue School**

Location: 13720 Roosevelt Way N

Building: Brick veneer, masonry
& wood frame

Architect: n.a.

Site: 3.01 acres

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- 1946: Opened by Shoreline School District No. 412 as Shoreline Health and Guidance Center
 - 1954: Annexed into Seattle School District on July 1; renamed Nellie Goodhue on August 13
 - 1954-57: Operated as annex to Northgate School
 - 1957-61: Operated as independent school
 - 1961: Closed in June as a classroom facility
 - 1961: Used for North (Area) Guidance Center/North Region or Region I Student Services
 - 2000: Student Assessment/ Appeals office moved from Goodhue to Wilson
 - 2006: Property sold
 - Present: Site of a residential development