

The History and the Future of Elida Local Schools



Many years ago, the first pioneers settled in the Elida area. School was held in a little log cabin north of Elida. In 1868, the Elida School District was created and was moved into a new brick building on Main Street (now the site of the Fire Department) at a cost of about \$5,000. The high school was added in 1892.

Years later, in 1914 the Elida High School was built with a major addition of a Junior High in 1956. The back wing was added in 1959.

In 2011, the current Elida High School opened, and the old Elida Highschool was knocked down. A parking lot was made in its place for the Elida Field House.

Fun facts: The first Elida graduating class consisted of four students in 1893. In 2020, there were around 170 graduating students.

Elida High School



Elida High School was built in 1914.



The new Elida High School building opened in 2011.



Elida School #1
Location Unknown
Elida, Ohio
Built:
Demolished:
Gone



Elida High School #2
101 East North Street
Elida, Ohio
Built: 1914
Closed & Demolished: 2011
Gone



Elida High School #3
101 East North Street
Elida, Ohio
Built: 1928
Closed & Demolished: 2011
Gone



Elida High School #4
101 East North Street
Elida, Ohio
Built: 1933, 1938
Closed & Demolished: 2011
Gone



Elida High School #5
101 East North Street
Elida, Ohio
Built: 1956
Closed & Demolished: 2011
Gone



Elida High School #6
101 East North Street
Elida, Ohio
Built: 1959
Closed & Demolished: 2011
Gone

Gomer

The Gomer School was added in 1969 with the consolidation of the two districts. Over the years it housed many different grade levels.

The Gomer building closed for the first time in 2004-2005. A few years later it reopened for kindergarten classes and stayed open until the 2012-2013 school year. After the final closing of the Gomer School it was knocked down.

Fun facts: Elida's mascot is a Bulldog. His name is Thor. The school colors are orange, black, and gold. Before Gomer consolidated with Elida, Gomer had their own mascot. They were known as the Gomer Bobcats!



Gomer School #1
Location Unknown
Gomer, Ohio
Built:
Demolished:
Gone



The Gomer School was added to the Elida School District in 1969.

Elida Middle School

The Middle School was built in 1981. It currently holds classes from fifth through eighth grade. Once the new elementary building opens it will house sixth through eighth grade students.



Elementary School

The Elida Elementary School, which sits on Pioneer Road, was built in 1962 and a new addition was added in 1967. This building originally housed students in kindergarten through 6th grade, and currently houses students in grades kindergarten through fourth grade.

Fun fact: The new building is a 36 million dollar project.



Elida Elementary was built in 1962. A new addition was added in the back in 1967.



In 2019 the Elementary building project began.

New Elementary School

At this time, a new building is being built and will open for the 2021-2022 school year. There was a ground-breaking ceremony during the fall of 2019. The new building is being constructed directly behind the old elementary building. The old elementary building will be knocked down at the end of the 2020-2021 school year to make room for a parking lot for the new building. The new building will house students from preschool through fifth grade.

Fun Fact: The current elementary building is 67,642 square feet. The new building will be 138,432 square feet.



The new building is 138,432 square feet and will open in the fall of 2021.

Name: Aubriella Oard

**Elida Elementary
1962 - 2021**



Directions: Use the graphic organizer from the above page to re-write your facts and opinions about Elida Elementary. Be sure to include the opening sentence and closing sentence. You should have at least 6 sentences. Don't forget your capitalization and punctuation.

Over the years Elida Elementary has changed in many ways. In 1969 Gomer and Elida became the same school district and in 2013 the Gomer school was destroyed. In 2019 the new school started to be built and is going to open up in 2021. When the new school is built I will miss my old classroom and the memories I have of my friends and teachers. It will be very exciting to see the new classes and cafeteria. There have been many changes to Elida and I think there may be a lot more in the future.

Name: Ruby Kinley

**Elida Elementary
1962 - 2021**



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Over the years Elida Elementary has changed in many ways.

The old school was built in 1962 and an addition was added in 1967. A new school is currently being built and I will be in the 3rd grade when I go to the new school.

One thing I will miss about the old school is the playground. I am looking forward to seeing the inside of the new school.

We have many memories from the past but are looking forward to the future.

Name: Aniyah Flory

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1962 - 2021**



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Over the years Elida Elementary has changed in many ways. The old elementary school held class level of grades of kindergarten through the sixth grade. The new elementary school will be bringing back the preschool and fifth grade to the new building. I am going to miss walking up the first and second grade staircase. I am excited to see how big the classrooms are going to be, meeting new teachers, and making new lifelong friends. We have many memories from the past but are looking forward to the future.

Name: Christiono Luis Burgos

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1962 - 2021**



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The Elida Elementary school was built in 1962, new addition was added in 1967, and in 2019 the newest building project started. The new building is a 36 million dollar project. I'm excited for the new building. The new building is bigger than the old one. A lot of students will be happy. The new school will be open on 2021-2022.



Name: Dalton

Nolte _____

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Hi, My name is Dalton Nolte. I want to tell you what I have learned about Elida Schools history. In 1868 the first Elida School was built. They was moved into a new brick building on Main Street. The classrooms were really small. Elida has had six different schools over the years. They have been torn down since then. They had to go through so many different schools to have room for the new students. After this school year the new school will be ready and the old one torn down. They are lots of other fun facts but learning everything that I have makes me proud to be an Elida Bulldog.

Name: Jonah Schmunk

**Elida Elementary
1962 - 2021**



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Over the years Elida Elementary has changed in many ways. There used to be old schools Elida and Gomer that are now closed. There will be many kids in the new school preschool through 5th graders. I will miss the gyms and smart boards in classes. It will be cool Exploring the new building. We have many memories from the past but are looking forward to the future.