

## Information on Odessa High School

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[Questions and answers specifically requested for the book. Questions were underlined in the original file so I'm guessing from memory.]

1. Name of School - Odessa High School
2. County and District Number -
3. Location - north side of Highway 30, Odessa, NE
4. Current status - still open as a K-6 school)
5. School colors - Red and White
6. Sports teams name - Cardinal
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9. Year last class graduated - 1958  
Number in class - 5  
Names of members last graduating class -Marilyn Crowell, Myrtle Crowell, Hazel Swartwood, Gary Skiles, and Roger Johnston
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The first Odessa school building, for elementary grades, was built near the Union Pacific Railroad tracks about a mile west of this unincorporated village. After it blew away a second building was built in about 1880 in Odessa. It was divided into two rooms to provide for grades 9 and 10. It was torn down and replaced by a two story brick structure which opened in March, 1926 on the same site.

That brick building has had two additions added over the years and is currently used as a K-6 elementary school for the Odessa school district.

In the spring of 1958 the Odessa School District was informed by the Nebraska Department of Education that its high school would not be an approved high school if it continued to operate. The patrons of the district decided to discontinue the high school rather than operate it on a non-approved basis. There were 15 students in the high school at that time, 5 were graduating seniors.

At the present time the district operates as a Class I district with grades K-6. Graduates from the sixth grade go to either Elm Creek or Kearney for their junior and senior high school education.