

Information on Ravenna 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 - **Ravenna High School**
2. County and District Number - Buffalo County Dist. #69
3. Location - West edge of Ravenna, NE
4. Years of operation - 1884 as a grade school; 1887 [high school?] (still open)
5. School colors - Blue and White
6. School Mascot - Bluejay
7. School Song -
8. Year of first graduating class - 1893
Number in class - 1
Names of members first graduating class - Ella Pool (First boy, Jerry Hlava, graduated in 1898)
9. Year last class graduated - 1991
Number in class -
Names of members last graduating class -
10. Sports championships -
11. First school board members - First school board members were Erastus Smith, D. Hutchison and Frank Coulter
12. Famous Graduates -
- 13.

The original one-room school house built in 1884 when the district was organized was replaced three years later by an \$18,000 structure which housed both the grade and high school. A few years later an addition was put on the building. In 1915 (or 1911-12) a new high school building was erected. This one cost \$40,000.

Some Ravenna citizens were incensed that the new high school in 1911 was built so close to Grand Avenue (first called Appian Way). It was felt that the students would be distracted by the noise of the street cars which were projected to run up and down that street. Street cars were never installed. In 1943 (or 1945) the building burned. The new building which was built to replace it has served as the junior high school since the new high school was built on the west edge of the city in 1968.