

# Otjen School

**Location:** East side of Chicago Road, north of Ryan Road

**District:** 7

**Built:** 1915

**Closed:** 1968

The first Otjen School was a wood structure built on Chicago Road in 1870. It was replaced by a brick building in 1877. In 1915, a new schoolhouse was built. Otjen school District 7 resisted becoming part of the consolidated school district but ultimately could not win that battle. The school was changed to offer kindergarten to grade 6 in 1955. It continued in operation until 1968 and the building was demolished in 1969. The location is now the site of Otjen Park.



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The 2nd Otjen School District 7 built 1877



Otjen Park, 2019