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June 22, 2001

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Application No.: BZA-16723

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed herewith are the documents you requested relating to the approval of the Washington Science and Technology Academy.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

Marjorie H Burke

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Enclosures

cc: Mrs. Maxine Brown-Roberts

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The Washington Science and Technology Academy, Inc. was established in September, 2000. With the realization that Computer/Science Technology is an important component of education and an integral part of our society, the founders thought the name for the school most appropriate.

The philosophy of the school focuses upon the concentrated study of Science and Computer in a special laboratory, beginning on the Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten levels which are the formative years of a child's education. As educators, it is our responsibility to prepare our youth for the challenges, new opportunities, and the promising careers in the new millennium.

The Washington Science and Technology Academy, Inc. is located on the first floor of the William Bishop Educational Center, 2420 Rhode Island Avenue, N.E. The McKendree-Simms-Brookland Church owns the Education Center.

The elementary school of the Washington Science and Technology Academy will consist of forty students and 4 teachers. The academic program will focus upon individualized instruction in small classes.

The students will be assigned to combination grades: 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6. Grade 7 will occupy the third classroom. The Curriculum in grades 1-6 includes Science, Computer, Language/English, Phonics, Mathematics, Social Studies/Geography, History, and Physical Education. The Curriculum for grade 7 includes: English, Mathematics, U.S. History, General Science, Foreign Language, Music and Physical Education.

The school opens at 7:00am and closes at 6:00pm. The academic program begins at 9:00am and ends at 3:00pm. The After School program provides additional time for students to improve their skills and knowledge in Computer and more interesting hands-on experiences in Science as well as time for tutoring and homework.

Attachments

Daily Schedules for Pre-K/K, Elem Sch
Policies and Procedures
Blueprints of Building
Playground Information

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Policies and Procedures

The policies and procedures were developed to promote and ensure a quality child development program for the safety, health, care and nurturing of children.

Registration

The registration of each child is required by the parent/guardian prior to admittance.

1. Complete current health record, including immunization and dental.
2. Authorization to administer medication.
3. Student Release Form

School Hours

1. School opens at 7:00am and closes at 6:00pm
2. Before and After Care for children is provided.

Holidays

1. Labor Day
2. Columbus Day
3. Veteran's Day
4. Thanksgiving
5. Christmas
6. New Year's Day
7. Martin Luther King's Birthday
8. President's Day (George Washington)
9. Good Friday and Easter Monday
10. Memorial Day

Snow Policy/Other Severe Weather Conditions

When there is a heavy snowstorm or other severe weather conditions, our school will be closed according to the D.C. Public School's mandate. Please listen to Channel 4, 5, 7, or 9 and keep your radio tuned to station WHUR for updates on school closings.

Health and Safety

To ensure the health and safety of all children, parents are requested to adhere strictly to the following rules:

1. Please keep your child home if he/she is sick or exhibits any symptoms of a cold or communicable disease (such as fever 100 degrees; diarrhea, vomiting, etc.)
2. Submit a signed release form or approval from your child's physician when he/she returns to school after a prolonged illness.

3. Send a written letter of authorization for any medication/prescription that should be administered to your child during the day. Each bottle of medication must have a label with your child's name, dosage, and times to be given.
4. All over the counter medication, such as Tylenol, will ONLY be given with the doctor's authorization.
5. In addition, the parent must submit an authorization letter to administer any medication to his/her child.
6. Arrival and Departure of all children to and from the school must be recorded. Parents/Guardians are requested to escort your children into the school and sign them in; when departing from school, sign them out. A "Time In/Time Out" sheet will be posted.
7. The parents must supply snacks and lunches. All food must be labeled and stored in appropriate containers.

Outdoor Play

1. All children are required to have outdoor play two times daily, when the weather permits.
2. Teachers and staff will supervise the play activities of the children in a safe, secured, enclosed playground (with a locked gate and fence).
3. Parents are requested to dress their children appropriately for cold weather.
4. Indoor play (inclement weather), teacher will use a room on the ground floor.

Clothing and Personal Items

Dress Code (age 5 years and above)-Children are required to wear uniforms.

a. Girls – Blue and beige plaid jumper or skirt, white blouse, black or blue shoes.
b. Boys – Navy blue cardigan, white shirt, blue and beige stripe tie, navy blue pants (khaki pants for special occasions), blue or black shoes, black leather boots.

Nap/Rest Time

1. Children need a rest time after the morning's activities and lunch.
2. Nap time will be provided for two hours, in a quiet, relaxed atmosphere.

General Information

As a requirement for securing an occupancy permit, a comprehensive safety and health inspection was conducted and approved in the areas of construction, plumbing, electricity, zoning, and fire.

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School Policy

1. Applications for enrollment are accepted without regard to race, religion, sex, or natural origin.

2. The Child Development Center and elementary school will be open daily, five days per week from 7:00am to 6:00pm.

3. Parking spaces are available for parents to drop off and pick up their children on Lawrence Street, N.E. Parents and children will also use the entrance on Lawrence Street.

4. Upon arrival, all parents are expected to sign their children in each morning and to sign out each evening.

5. Each parent is asked to notify the school when his/her child will be tardy or absent from school.

6. Fire drills are held monthly to provide practice for safe evacuation procedures.

7. Children who have a contagious disease, such as measles or chicken pox are expected to remain at home. A signed release form from a physician is required for re-admittance to school.

8. Each parent will be notified to pick up his/her child immediately if he/she becomes ill at school. In the meantime, the child will be isolated from other children until the parent arrives.

9. In the event of a serious accidental injury, the staff will contact the parent or person indicated on the enrollment form for instructions so that the child may receive prompt medical attention.

10. The school will be closed on holidays and special days indicated on the yearly calendar. During heavy snow days, the school will be closed, according to the D.C. Public School policy.

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Daily Schedule for Elementary School

7:00am to 8:45am	Arrival Creative Activites Homework Center
8:45am to 9:00am	Preparation for Daily Instruction
9:00am to 9:15am	Morning meeting Prayer Current Events Planning for the day
9:20am to 10:30am	Language Arts Reading Phonics Language/English Spelling
10:30am to 10:45am	Recess
10:50am to 11:45am	Mathematics/Computer
11:45am to 12:00pm	Preparation for Lunch
12:00pm to 1:15pm	Lunch/Outdoor Activities
1:20pm to 2:00pm	Science (3-days) Computer (2-days)
2:00pm to 2:45pm	History/Geography/Social Studies
2:45pm to 3:15pm	Physical Education
3:15pm to 6:00pm	After School Program Computer Science (hands-on activities) Music Literature/Story Time Homework Center Tutoring Creative Activities Art

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THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The child development center is located on the first floor of the William Bishop Educational Center of the McKendree-Simms-Brookland Church. The child development center will occupy two rooms: a nursery class for 8 children (ages 2 and 3 years), a teacher and an aide; and a Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten class for 12 children (ages 4 and 5), a teacher and an aide.

Our philosophy focuses upon the growth and development of children in a loving, healthy, safe, and nurturing environment, which will stimulate and motivate learning. Emphasis will be placed upon the emotional, social, physical and intellectual development of the young child. In addition to the thematic approach to learning an integrated curriculum, the children will enjoy many hands-on-experiences in Science and also learn to use the computer. There will be many opportunities for outdoor activities in an enclosed playground.

The hours of operation are 7:00am to 6:00pm. The parents will have 4 parking spaces on Lawrence Street and an adjoining alley (owned by the church), which will facilitate the dropping off of children and picking them up. Parents will not be permitted to park or use the entrance on Rhode Island Avenue, due to the volume of traffic.

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205 CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

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205.1 Permission for a child development center in an R-1 District is needed for approval by the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

205.2 The child development center of the Washington Science and Technology Academy, Inc. has met all code and licensing requirements of the Department of Health. To date, an application for a license and all documents have been filed, fees paid, and an approval has been given for the operation of our child development center.

205.3 The child development center is located in the William Bishop Education Center. Parents will use the Lawrence Street entrance where it is safe to drop off and pick up their children on a daily basis. There is little traffic on this street. Parents are encouraged not to use the entrance on Rhode Island Ave., which is kept locked at all times.

205.4 The child development center has provided 4 parking spaces to meet the needs of teachers, other employees, and visitors.

205.5 The child development center is located on the first floor of the William Bishop Educational Center, 2420 Rhode Island Avenue, which is owned by McKendree-Simms-Brookland Church. Two of the adjacent properties and one across Lawrence Street are also owned by the church. The church also owns the enclosed playground, on Lawrence Street.

205.6 The addresses of the adjacent properties, owned by the church, are 2411 Lawrence Street, N.E., 2408 Rhode Island Ave., N.E., and 2420 Lawrence Street, located across Lawrence Street, from the Educational Center.

205.7 The enclosed playground is situated at the corner of Lawrence Street and Hoover Road. There is a School Safety Sign and marked off white lines for safe walking to the playground. A locked gate for entrance is located on Lawrence Street.

205.8 The nearest child development center, located at 2316 Rhode Island Avenue, is more than one thousand feet (1,000 ft.) from the William Bishop Educational Center.

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PRIVATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

206.2 The Washington Science and Technology Private School is located in the William Bishop Education Center of the McKendree-Simms-Brookland Church. It is not likely to become objectionable to adjoining and nearby properties because there would be very little noise from students who would be entering the school at the Lawrence Street entrance, where the adjoining property belongs to the Church. There is little limited noise from traffic since Lawrence Street is not a main thoroughfare. A small enrollment, consisting of 60 children, will use this entrance at different times from 7:00am to 9:00am and 3:30pm to 6:00pm.

206.3 There will be 4 parking spaces for parents on Lawrence Street in front of the William Bishop Education Center and also in the alley, between adjoining buildings owned by the Church. Parking for teachers and visitors is also provided in the parking lane on Rhode Island Avenue, in front of the school. Some of the teachers use public transportation.

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AREA VARIANCE

1.C The Washington Science and Technology Elementary School is unique because the McKendree-Simms-Brookland Church cannot provide a parking lot due to the construction of the William Bishop Education Center on the site. The church owns the adjoining building.

2. Because of the unique situation of the William Bishop Education Center, it is difficult for the owner to meet the zoning regulations for parking spaces on the premises.

3.A Public Good

There would be no problem affecting the properties of other people or any traffic congestion on Lawrence Street. By providing four parking spaces in from of the school on Lawrence Street and the adjacent alley, parking will not prohibit neighbors from parking in the spaces in front of their properties.

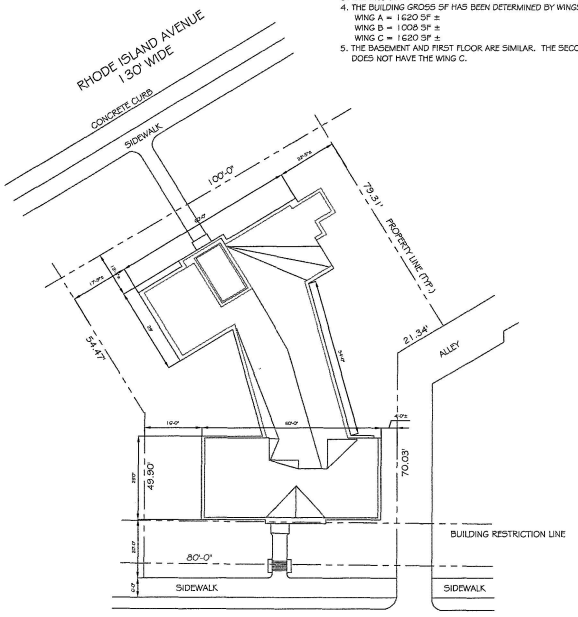
3.B Zone Plan

Under the Zoning regulations, the school will provide four parking spaces for parents and visitors. A dentist's parking lot is located at the corner of Lawrence Street and Hoover Road.

3103.2 There would be a hardship for the owner of the Educational Center to provide a parking lot directly on the site of the building due to the exceptional size and shape of the building.

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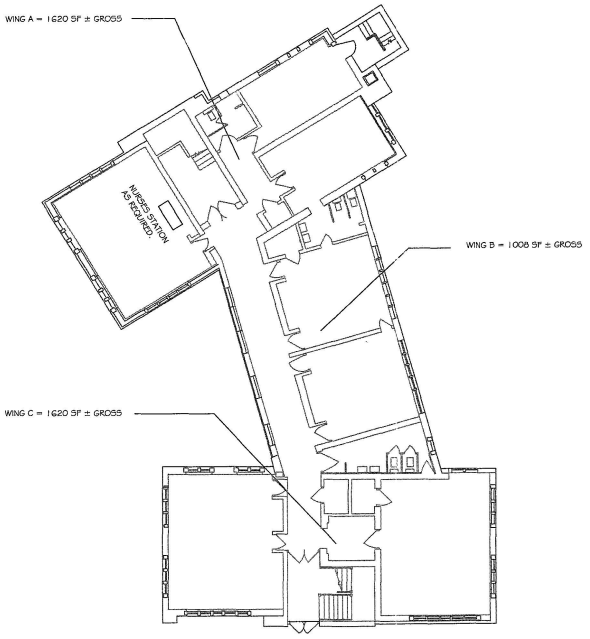
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   WING A = 1620 SF ±
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   WING C = 1620 SF ±
5. THE BASEMENT AND FIRST FLOOR ARE SIMILAR. THE SECOND FLOOR DOES NOT HAVE THE WING C.



NOTE:
NO REVISIONS TO THE EXISTING SITE PLAN IS ANTICIPATED OR PROPOSED.

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EXISITING SITE PLAN
1"=30'-0"



NOTE:
THE GROUND FLOOR IS THE NURSES STATION AS SHOWN FOR DAYSCHOOL USE. THIS REMAINING FLOOR ACCOMODATES CHURCH RELATED, NON-ASSEMBLY ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS.

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EXISTING GROUND FLOOR PLAN
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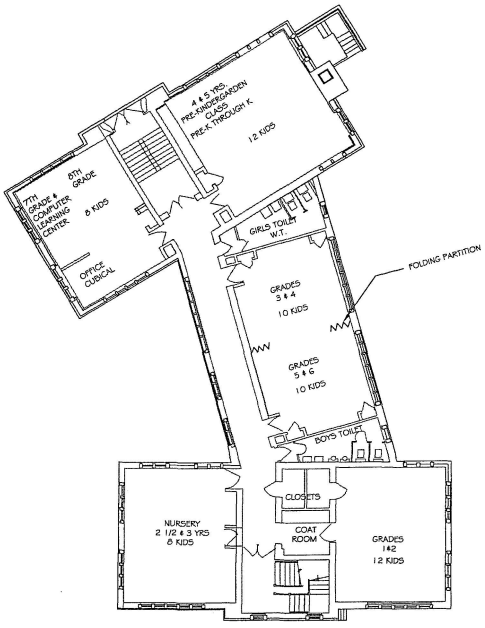
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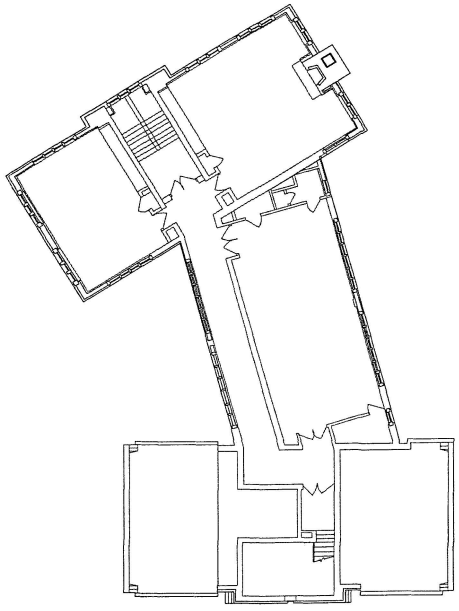
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NOTE:
THE FIRST FLOOR ONLY IS USED FOR THE DAYSCHOOL CLASSROOMS. THIS IS THE ORIGINAL INTENDED USE FOR THIS FLOOR. THEREFORE, A USE CHANGE IS NOT PROPOSED FOR THIS BUILDING.

EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN
1/8"= 1'-0"



NOTE:
THE SECOND FLOOR IS NOT PART OF THE DAYSCHOOL USE. THIS FLOOR ACCOMODATES CHURCH RELATED, NON-ASSEMBLY ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS.

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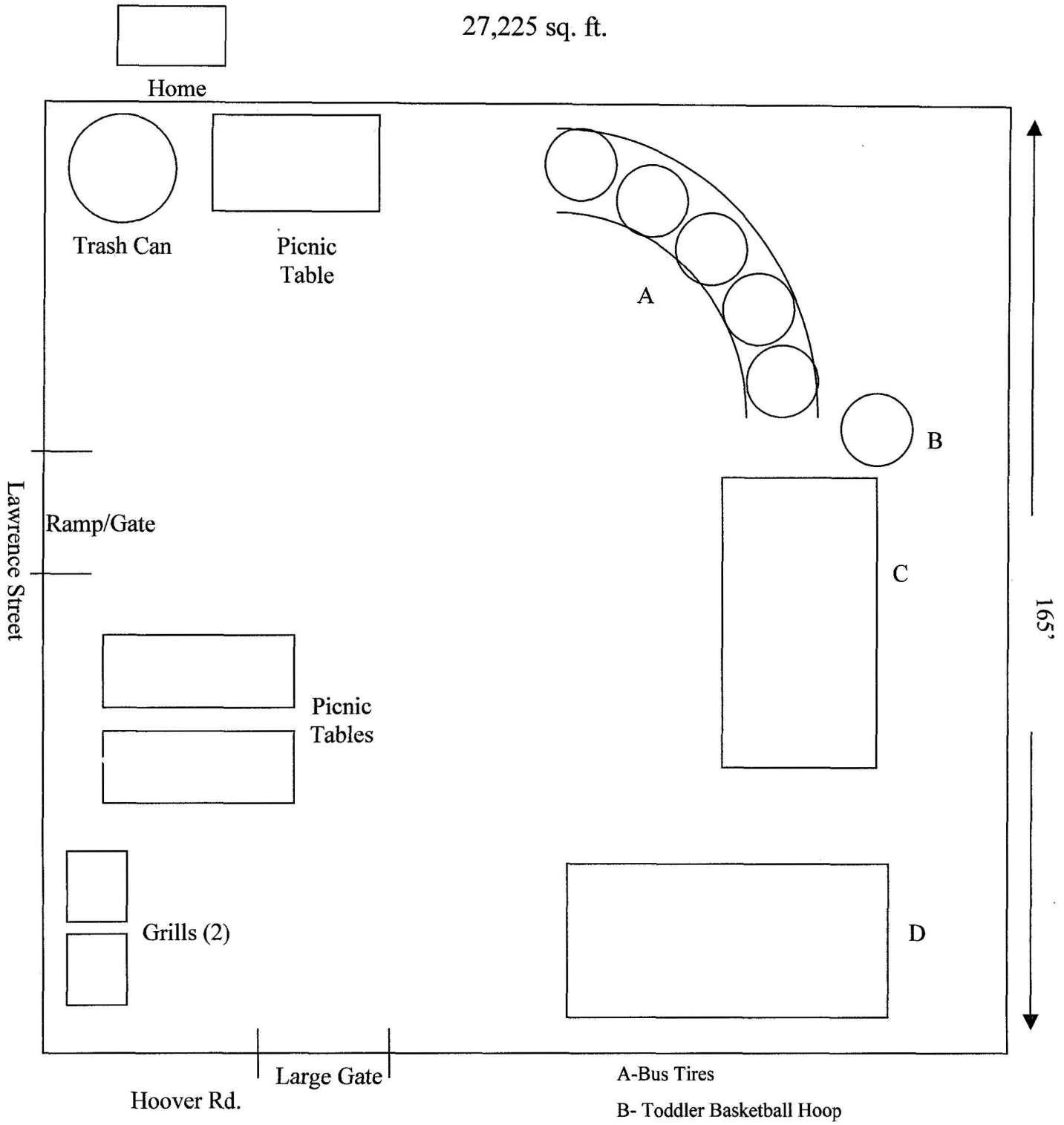
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McKendree-Simms-Brookland United Methodist Church

Playground

27,225 sq. ft.



A-Bus Tires

B- Toddler Basketball Hoop

C- Jungle Gym (w/3 slides (S/M/Spiral)

D- Swings (1 baby, 1 regular)

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