

WILLOW GROVE SCHOOL

Willow Grove School, known as District 11, was built in 1814, in the neighborhood of Lambert's Mills. This building was replaced in 1870 by a new school house.

This one room school was open the year round, about 1870, and for several years all grades as well as high school were taught at the same time. Many pupils came from Westfield, which was part of the school district, until 1894. Tuition was charged until 1840.

Before 1880, when the Willow Grove Chapel was built, the building was used as a Sunday School. Some of the teachers were Mr. Backer, Miss Mary Frazee, Miss Wyman, Miss Abbie Littell, Miss Lucia Vail, Oliver Putnam, Miss Susan Osgood, Miss Minnie Crane, and Miss Anna Littell, the last teacher there.

In 1904 it was replaced by a two room wooden building called School Number 2. This school was used until two years ago when it was closed and the children transferred to Fanwood.



School Two, Today