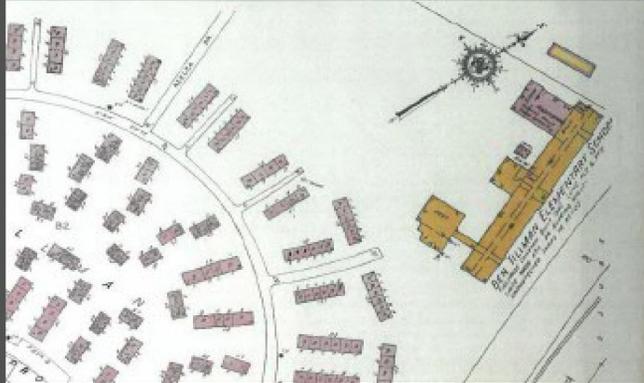


# RONALD E. MCNAIR ELEMENTARY



The Ronald E. McNair Elementary school, formerly the Ben Tillman School, provided education to the children of the North Charleston community for sixty-eight years.



1942

The Ben Tillman housing development was constructed for employees of the Charleston Navy Yard after the United States entered World War II.



1943

Charleston saw an increase in population and student enrollment, which led to the construction of the Ben Tillman School.



1964

The Ben Tillman School became one of the first all-white schools in Charleston to host African American students.



2016

The Ronald E. McNair School closed in 2007 due to low enrollment. The school district continued to use the building for other elementary schools until 2016.