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## Belmont's Gale School added to state register of historic buildings

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CONCORD — The state Historical Resources Council recently added the Gale School in Belmont to the state's register of historic buildings.



Built in 1894 in an era when New Hampshire school districts were consolidating buildings, Belmont's Gale School reflects both the Stick Style and Queen Anne styles that were popular in the late 19th century. It is named after banker Napoleon Bonaparte Gale, a native of Belmont whose donation helped complete the building project.



The State Register has helped to promote the significance of many historic properties across New Hampshire. Benefits of being listed on the State Register include:

- Acknowledgment of a property's historical significance in the community;
- Special consideration and relief from some building codes and regulations; and
- Designation of a property as historical, which is a pre-qualification for many grant programs, including Conservation License Plate grants and New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program grants.