

## Historical Marker - L1995 - Defer Elementary School (Marker ID#:L1995)



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#### *Defer Elementary School*

In 1921 Rural Agricultural District No. 1 consolidated five fractional districts, bringing together students who previously met in five separate schoolhouses. Defer Elementary School, the first school built after the consolidation, was named in honor of George Defer (1880-1927) who served as a village trustee and president and as a state senator. Constructed in 1924, in the Tudor Revival style, the school was designed by Detroit architect George J. Haas and decorated with Pewabic ceramic tiles. By 1927 the neighborhood had grown and the school became overcrowded. In 1928 an addition, which included the conservatory, was built. Defer Elementary School is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

#### **Significant Date:**

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

**Registry Year:** 1996    **Erected Date:** 2001

### Marker Location

**Address:** 15425 Kercheval Street

**City:** Grosse Pointe Park

**State:** MI    **ZipCode:**

**County:** Wayne

**Township:**

**Lat:** 42.38253400 / **Long:** -82.93735800

**Web URL:**

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