



Irvington High School

A Tour and History



A Brief History

The current Irvington High School building opened in 1965. The high school had previously been located at the Main Street School building.

The current High School is on the former site of “Cedar Lawn,” since 1886 the country estate of Isaac Stern, founder of Stern’s Department Store.



The main residence burnt in a fire in 1963 and its remnants were taken down to make space for the new high school, completed in 1965.



Irvington High School and the Science and Music Wings

Stop 1

The high school moved locations in 1965 due to an increase in population and need for new facilities. In the 1980s, the school was renovated and rebuilt. In 2003, the science and music wings were built, as well as the cafeteria, which are shared with the new Middle School, which was formerly at the Main Street School. At the time, Irvington was the fastest growing school district in New York, prompting the construction of the new wings.



Irvington 1940 (top) and Irvington 1995 (bottom); the school site is enclosed in the white rectangle.

Mosenthal Library&Maher Gym

Stop 2

When the new gym was constructed in 2003, the original gym was named for Gina Maher, head coach of the girls basketball program since 1975 and the first in New York State to reach a career 700 wins. Scott Mosenthal was a teacher, coach and principal over his 38-year career before he retired in 2013.

Meszaros Field and Oley Track

Stop 3

The improved track and field were dedicated on October 1, 2016. Harold Meszaros was an IHS graduate who became a teacher, football coach and the school's first athletic director. Peter K. Oley taught in the district since 1956, and his record as a track and field coach was 431-47.

Irvington Middle School

Stop 4

In 2003, the middle school was added to the site. The middle school features a different, more modern-looking design than the high school. The decision to build the middle school was made due to a rising population as the student population had nearly doubled in 2003 from the early 1990s. The completion of the building created the campus we see today.

Campus Auditorium and Gym

Stop 5

The 720-seat Campus Auditorium and gym, with fitness center, were added in 2003 along with the middle school. A new library was constructed in the location where the old auditorium used to be.