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1 The District 1 Brick Schoolhouse
248 Main Street, Norwich

Built in 1845, the school served students who lived in the southern end of the center village until 1888, when the town purchased the old Norwich University north barracks and moved village students there. Private residence.

2 Beaver Meadow Schoolhouse
240 Chapel Hill Road

This District 3 schoolhouse was built in 1922, replacing a schoolhouse that had burned that summer. The school closed in 1946. It now serves as a community center.



3 Root Schoolhouse
987 Union Village Road

Root Schoolhouse was built in 1937 to replace one that had burned the year before. There had been several schools in the district since it was formed in 1791. Like the Beaver Meadow Schoolhouse, it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



4 Union Village Schoolhouse
93 Academy Road

The Union Village School was truly a union school, once sitting on the town and county lines and financed jointly by Thetford and Union Village residents. It now serves as a parish house for the church.



5 Pompanoosuc Schoolhouse
1408 U.S. Route 5

This schoolhouse, now a private residence, was moved to its present location and enlarged because it was too near the road and lacked adequate space for a playground. The schoolhouse served the northeast part of Norwich and was the last to close, in 1951.

6 Marion Cross School
NHS Parking Lot, 277 Main Street

After a fire destroyed the old Norwich University south barracks, a new 4-room village school was built over the foundation in 1898.



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