

## A Bit of Trivia:

1941

Three of four elementary buildings were constructed at a cost of \$246,500 on the east, north and west side of town. A contest was held to name the new buildings with the board choosing: Brickell, Slocum and Spencer.

1947

Kindergarten classes first offered at all three public grade schools.

1949

The fourth elementary building was constructed on the south end of town and known as the Defiance Township School and instructed students up to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

1953

Brickell, Slocum and Spencer schools were expanded by four rooms.

1958-59

The Township School became part of the Defiance City Schools and was renamed Anthony Wayne.

1961

Cafeterias opened in the district's three elementary buildings. Anthony Wayne School expansion completed with 10 new classrooms, multipurpose room and offices at a cost of \$261,281.

2009

The Defiance Elementary School for grades Pk-5 opens in January. The district sold Anthony Wayne to the Catholics Schools; Slocum to the City of Defiance where a new municipal building is being erected; and Spencer to the County Commissioners for a Senior Citizen Center. The site where Brickell stood is vacant.