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El Paso Public Schools

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P. O. BOX 1710

El Paso, Texas

July 5, 1946

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

Library
Money donated for
books to the
school. Parents &
people.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

El Paso's Board of Education recently secured approval to construct a new modern 30-room elementary school to relieve crowded conditions here. The naming of the school was left up to the Latin-Americans living in the district.

The Parents and Teachers Associations met and had votes on names submitted. All schools in El Paso in the past have been named after Texas Heroes. The name of a local veteran who died at Rapido was submitted along with that of Franklin Delano Roosevelt Elementary School. You will be interested to know that the final vote was in favor of naming the school Franklin Delano Roosevelt Elementary School, and by a big "majority."

The first floor has been completed. The school will have a large lunchroom, which will participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture School Lunch Program. It will house over 1000 children in grades 1-6 who have been on part time or have been attending during summer months a "fourth term" because it was the only way we could give all the children nine months of school. The building is of face brick and block glass, modern in every way, with built-in steel lockers, custodian's living quarters, a nurse's clinic, rest rooms for teachers and all other modern conveniences and improvements for classroom environment and comfort.

With every good wish to you, I am,

Most cordially,

C. W. Webb

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