

New Birmingham High to Open



1100 Students To Attend Groves School

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Birmingham Wylie E. Groves high school—the new quarters for some 1100 area students this fall—has been getting a great deal of attention.

At the corner of Evergreen and 13 Mile roads, many a passing motorist has watched construction of the building progress steadily through the long, cold winter.

Educators have carefully coordinated their ideas with architects and engineers, who have spent hundreds of hours poring over drawing boards and coffee cups detailing the new school.

Local police and firemen have kept close watch on it.

And, many a passing student has looked at the new Groves High wondering what his upwards of 30 hours a week there would be like. He will find out in a few weeks.

HE WILL FIND out that the architects, Linn Smith Associates, Inc. of Birmingham, have designed a unique architectural focal point—an umbrella roof of thin-shelled concrete.

It hovers over the main cross-roads of the school, the center of population as well as the hub of student research and library facilities. (See photo)

HE WILL FIND too that, the building is a one-story structure consisting of distinct areas of instruction, separated by landscaped inner and outer courts.

The largest area is made up of
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Twenty-five tons of cement were poured to make this thin-shelled roof over the library at the new Birmingham Wylie E. Groves high school. The architectural focal point of the building was designed by Linn Smith Associates, Inc., architects of the project. An additional nine tons of ce-

ment was used in the thin-shelled roof over the lobby. Sufficient concrete will have been used in the project to lay an eight-foot wide concrete sidewalk from Birmingham to the Detroit river.

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