



**BLACKWELL**

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**PARK** Blackwell School  
National Historic Site

**STATUS** Approaching Finish Line

**INTEL** This would be one of the few national park sites dedicated to contemporary Latino history. The Blackwell School tells the story of de facto segregation in the Texas borderlands, where students of Mexican descent were educated separately from their white peers at so-called “Mexican schools,” until mandatory integration laws. Today, Blackwell is one of the last schools still standing in good condition, and NPCA joins alumni and local partners that want the site protected as a national park for all.

The Blackwell School National Historic Site Act, led by Representatives Tony Gonzales (R-TX) and Filemón Vela (R-TX), as well as Senators John Cornyn (R-TX) and Alex Padilla (D-CA), has passed both Houses of Congress, but will go back to the House for minor changes and then will be ready for the President’s signature.



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