Although fire gutted the original Administration Building on December 5, 1917, within a year workers had restored the building to a state in which it could again temporarily house offices and classrooms. Almost immediately the State Board of Education nevertheless recommended construction of a new administration building. The state legislature agreed to build on land donated by the City of Lewiston and allocated $150,000 to construct the building plus an additional $15,000 to purchase additional land adjoining the property donated for the building.

The two-story Administration Building built in 1921 is a rectangular building with basement and auditorium wing. The main floor east wing originally housed the Lewiston Normal School Library. In 1970 the east wing was remodeled to accommodate business offices.

Through the years, the building has housed classrooms, theater, library services, student support services, instructional programs, community programs, administration, and business offices.

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