

Thursday Trivia Question:

Where was a farm first purchased in Minnesota at the turn of the century to host an SDA academy?

Trivia Answer:

Through 1898-1899, efforts were made to relocate the Minneapolis Preparatory School ("Conference School") on a farm. A farm was purchased in a rural area near Anoka – however, opposition arose to having a school in the area – so, with great disappointment, the farm was resold and the school moved to the city of Anoka and was renamed the Minnesota Industrial School.



The Minnesota Industrial School in Anoka



In 1904, a farm was located at Maple Plain and the school moved there where it acquired the name of Maplewood Academy.

Maplewood Academy at Maple Plain

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