Lawless School

This site is named for a local Fresno educator Albert "Toby" Lawless. Lawless was a native of Fresno and was educated in local schools receiving his college education and teacher education at University of California, Fresno. He joined the local school system immediately following his graduation from college in 1940 and was assigned to Fresno High School where he taught continuously until 1956, except for four years of service in the armed forces during World War II. Upon leaving Fresno High School in 1956, Lawless became a consultant in the Fresno Unified School District Attendance Department and from there in 1959 moved to become vice principal of Edison High School until 1963. He was then appointed Director of Health, Physical Education and Recreation until his untimely death in 1964.

"Toby" Lawless was a beloved and respected leader among his students and in the entire community in the field of athletics, physical education and health. The school site was named in honor of Mr. Lawless by the Fresno Unified School District Board of Education in September, 1979. It serves the elementary school age children in the area adjacent to its location grades K-8.