

DeKalb History Center

Winnona Park Elementary School

Scope and content: The Winnona Park Elementary School Collection includes yearbooks, correspondence, student work, and other records documenting the school's history from 1923 to the 1990s.

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Access: Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Reproductions of photographs and permission to publish materials from this collection must be requested from the Archivist, DeKalb History Center. Citations should be made as follows:

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Size: 8 folders.

Organizational History of Winnona Park Elementary School: Winnona Park Elementary School opened its doors in 1923 as part of the City Schools of Decatur school system. Designed by J. W. Sayward, the school provided relief to Glennwood and Oakhurst Elementary schools and originally housed 175 students. At first the school served the first through seventh grades but as of 2011 it had been reduced to kindergarten through third grade. The school building has undergone extensive renovations during its life primarily due to two major fires that occurred in 1959 and May 1975.

Description: The collection focuses primarily on official school records and items produced by students. Correspondence with the parents of future students, building inspections, report cards, construction estimates, and meeting minutes from the 1950s and 1960s provide descriptive details about the school's operation. The documents produced by students include a large number of essays from 1963 concerning the death of President John F. Kennedy and an oral history report from the 1990s that includes photos of former students.

Subject Headings: Where possible, Library of Congress Subject Headings have been used.

Main entries: Winnona Park Elementary School
Decatur City Schools (Ga.)

Subject/Added entries: DeKalb County (Ga.)
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School Systems

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 Elementary Schools
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Folder List

Box	Folder	Contents	Dates
1	1	Winnona Friend Finder and PTA Yearbooks	1963-64, 1969-70 1949-59, 1962-73
	2	Correspondence	1948-1974
	3	Inspections, meeting minutes, and miscellaneous records	1957-1987
	4	Photographs and newspaper clippings	1923-1987
	5	Report Cards and Yearly Report Failures RESTRICTED	1942-1971
	6	Expenditures and Construction Bids	1951-1973
	7	John. F. Kennedy essays by students	1963
	8	Student works	1960s-1990s