

BERKELEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

1978.058 Berkeley Unified School District records

This collection came from the school district probably in the mid to late 1990s and contain papers and documents from about 1900 to 1985.

The materials in Cartons 1-4 and Boxes 1-2 are listed as received in various designated topical sections; see these alphabetic designations below. Volumes 1-43 contain superintendents' annual reports, course of study and curriculum documents, and school directories.

Miscellaneous papers and reports in Cartons 5-7 were assembled from loose materials found on shelves in the archives. See also Miscellaneous reports, 1978.058.022.

Berkeley Historical Society has files of many school yearbooks: Berkeley High Olla Podrida, Mazda, Garfield Gleaner, Willard Target, Burbank Wizard. Miscellaneous literary magazines of various schools are cataloged separately

In addition to the few photographs mentioned in this report, there are many more in the BHS photo files.

A related collection is that of the Berkeley High School Alumni Association, 2013.025.

See S. D. Waterman's 'History of the Berkeley schools' for an early history, published in 1918. (LA245.B45 W3)

For a synopsis of the state of the schools in 1933, see 'Application of Board of Education of the City of Berkeley and of Berkeley School District of Alameda County, 1933.' (1978.091), which contains narrative of the state of each school, with floorplans and photos.

Carton 1-4, Box 1-2 Topical sections

- A General history and files by school name
- B Administration
- C Curriculum
- D Special Programs
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- H Teachers' organizations
- I Community relations

- J Special Activities
- K Berkeley Gazette clippings, 1930-1940 (Removed for separate housing and cataloging: 1978.058.013)

v. 1-43 Bound volumes

- Annual reports of superintendent, 1945-1961
- Course of study, 1933-1956
- Directories, 1904-1960
- Miscellaneous on curriculum and history of Berkeley

Ctn 5-7 Miscellaneous reports

Reports and papers, mainly from the 1990s, although there are a few from the 1920s-1930s and others relating to desegregation of the schools in the 1960s. A separate file of publications, mainly from the mid 1970s to about 1990 originally received with this collection, has been inventoried and housed as Miscellaneous School District Reports, 1978.058.020.

NOTE

The materials listed below are cataloged and housed separately. Materials relating to these schools came from various sources after the receipt of the principal collection above. In cases where there was a file in Section A above, these were combined with the newer receipts to form a more coherent collection.

- 1978.058.001 Individual diplomas from various schools
- 1978.058.002 Hillside School
- 1978.058.003 Washington School
- 1978.058.004 Cragmont School
- 1978.058.005 Jefferson School
- 1978.058.006 Whittier School
- 1978.057.007 Grizzly Peak School
- 1978.058.008 Burbank School
- 1978.058.009 Photograph albums by Hugo Weitz, 1900-1902
- 1978.058.010 Scrapbooks of Berkeley High School student groups
- 1978.058.011 Berkeley Albany Council PTA
- 1978.058.012 Longfellow School
- 1978.058.013 Berkeley Gazette clippings on the schools, 1930-1940
- 1978.058.014 Lincoln – Malcolm X School
- 1978.058.015 Emerson School
- 1978.058.016 BUSD. Department of Art Scrapbooks
- 1978.058.017 Photographs
- 1978.058.018 Berkeley High School
- 1978.058.019 Miscellaneous clippings, 1933-1993 (bulk 1964-1993)
- 1978.058.020 Berkeley school fund records

1978.058.021	Willard School
1978.058.022	Miscellaneous school reports, 1940-1990
1978.058.023	Garfield/King School
1978.058.024	Misc. school newsletters

Carton 1-4, Box 1-2 Topical sections

General and history (Section A)

Note: Some files of particular schools have been removed from this section and integrated with additional materials received separately. See list of these separate collections in the introduction.

- Ctn 1:1-2 History, Berkeley 1878-1988
- Ctn 1:3 Allston Way 1900-05
- Ctn 1:4 Columbus 1891-1989
- Ctn 1:5 Edison 1916-1934
- Ctn 1:6 Franklin 1887-1978
- Ctn 1:7 Hawthorne 1910-1941
- Ctn 1:8 John Muir 1916-1983
- Ctn 1:9 Le Conte 1892-1992
- Ctn 1:10 McKinley 1908(?)-1960
- Ctn 1:11 Oxford 1909-2010, and Oxford School Reunion, 1964
- Ctn 1:12 Rose Street 1885-1892
- Ctn 1:13 Thousand Oaks 1908-1996
- Ctn 1:14 University Elementary 1922-1988

Administration (Section B)

- Ctn 1:15 Administration, 1895-96, 1967-69, 1979, 1983, 1991
- Ctn 1:16 Administrative code, 1947
- Ctn 1:17 Administrative code, 1949
- Ctn 1:18 Administrative code, 1958
- Ctn 1:19 Average Daily Attendance, 1933/34
- Ctn 1:20 Berkeley Creative Children 1967, Vol. 1 and 2, 1968 Vol. 3
- Ctn 1:21 Board of Education, Members 1878,'54
- Ctn 1:22-23 Buildings, 1919-1967
- Ctn 2:1 Conferences, 1934: national conferences reports
- Ctn 2:2 Cost Analysis, 1932
- Ctn 2:3 Directory, 1960s
- Ctn 2:4 Equipment & Supplies, 1929
- Ctn 2:5-6 Job Descriptions, Analysis of responsibilities, 1932-33 and n.d.
- Ctn 2:7 Merit System for School Employees of California, 1942
- Ctn 2:8 Pamphlets #5 and 6, 1910-1911, re financing and bonding needs
- Ctn 2:9-10 Policy Statement, 1933, 1960 (2 folders)
- Ctn 2:11 Report Cards, Individual, ca 1914-55; program and registration cards, 1934
- Ctn 2:12 Reports, 1930s-1950s
- Ctn 2:13 Salaries, 1913, 1926, 1928, 1930
- Ctn 2:14 Superintendents, 1884-1930s, 1950s
- Ctn 2:15-19 Superintendent, Bulletin 1932, 1949-1967

Curriculum (Section C)

- Ctn 2:20 Curriculum, General, 1890-99, 1907, 1921, 1936, 1942
- Ctn 2:21 Curriculum, Elementary, 1906
- Ctn 2:22 Curriculum, Junior, 1919-1934,
- Ctn 2:23 Curriculum, High, 1905-1912, 1936

Special programs (Section D)

- Ctn 3:1 Adult Education 1924, 1931-33, 1943,
- Ctn 3:2 Americanization 1925 (only booklet by Hennessey)
- Ctn 3:3 Continuation Evening School, 1932, 1941-42, 1945
- Ctn 3:4 Evening School: 10 year study, 1924-1934
- Ctn 3:5 Kindergarten 1937-1950s, 1990,
- Ctn 3:6 Nursery school 1944, 1948
- Ctn 3:7 Parent Education, ca.1945-1972
- Ctn 3:8 Spastic class; includes photos, 1944, and report, 1945
- Ctn3:9-13 Sunshine School File 1925-1940, 1957
- Ctn 3:14 Vocational School 1920-1933

Departments (Section E)

- Ctn 3:15 Art Department 1931-1940
- Ctn 3:16-17 Audio Visual 1934-1967, including misc. photos
- Ctn 3:18 Conservation of speech, hearing and sight 1932- 1939, including two photos.
- Ctn 3:19 Curriculum 1933-1941
- Ctn 3:20 Dental Hygiene, photos and report ca. 1925-1940
- Ctn 3:21 Elementary General Science 1925-1930s (including visual aids from 1936-1937), report, 1941
- Ctn 4:1 Gifted Children 1941, 1947, report
- Ctn 4:2 Guidance Clinic 1945, 1948
- Ctn 4:3 Health 1922-1948, including photos and report on Berkeley nurses
- Ctn 4:4 Health and Physical Education 1941
- Ctn 4:5 Home Economics ca. 1925-1941, 1961, including photos
- Ctn 4:6 Home Teaching 1931, 1941, 1945
- Ctn 4:7 Motion Pictures 1935-1936
- Ctn 4:8 Music 1955 (Printed materials only)
- Ctn 4:9 Nutrition 1936, 1942-1945, including gov't wartime guidelines
- Ctn 4:10 Placement Bureau 1941
- Ctn 4:11 Professional librarian, 1940-1942, 1964
- Ctn 4:12 Publicity 1937-1940
- Ctn 4:13 Recreation 1932, 1941, including a history of Berkeley playgrounds
- Ctn 4:14 Tests 1932-1937 (articles by Graham C. Loofbourow)

Related Organizations (Section F)

- Ctn 4:15 Junior Red Cross 2 photos and report, not dated
- Ctn 4:16 Junior Traffic Police 1930 (photos), 1935-1938, 1950, 1955

Special Forms & Education (Section G)

- Ctn 4:17-19 Radio, 1937-1939 (3 folders: , surveys and study on radio usage in classroom, and studies by Mary M. Flinn
Ctn 4:20 School Libraries 1934-1941

Teachers Organizations, General (Section H)

- Ctn 4:21 Berkeley Teachers Organization 1935-1945
Ctn 4:22 Principals & Supervisors Association 1941 (Paper by C. L. Biedenbach)
Ctn 4:23 Salary Committees 1918-1934
Ctn 4:24 Teacher Retirement 1946

Community Relations (Section I)

- Ctn 4:25 Community Counseling Service 1945, report
Ctn 4:26 PTA; report on early history by Mrs. W. H. Marston

Special Activities (Section J)

- Ctn 4:27 American Education Week 1925-1939
Ctn 4:28 Co-coordinating Council 1932, 1935-1937, 1941, 1945
Ctn 4:29 Federal Emergency Education Program 1933, 1934
Ctn 4:30 Golden Gate Exposition Certificate 1939
Ctn 4:31 Infantile Paralysis 1944 (national membership certificate)
Ctn 4:32 School Fair 1922-1923, photos
Ctn 4:33 Study of Berkeley Schools, 1944 by Fook, Tim Chan
Ctn 4:34 United Nations 1944, 1992 flier for UNICEF
Ctn 4:35 Works Progress Administration 1935 report on employing women in Visual Education Department; WPA project 407

Publications, General

See also separate chronological list of publications: 1978.058.020

- Ctn 4:35 Financial statement, 1974-1976
Ctn 4:36 Statistics 1958, 1963-1984, 1965-1966, 1977-1992, 1985
Ctn 4:37 Bond campaign 1959, 1960, 1965

Materials on school integration

- BOX 1:1-4 Integration See also Carton 6

Berkeley Gazette Clippings, 1930-40 (Section K)

Removed for separate housing as 1978.058.013.

Bonds (Section L)

- Box 2:1-2 School bonds 1934
Box 2:3 School bonds 1948
Box 2:4-6 School bonds 1960

Vol 1-43 Bound volumes

Note: dates were taken from spines; for example '45-46' usually stands for 2 academic years, 1945/46 and 1946/47.

Annual report of superintendent

- v.1 1945-1946
- v.2 1949-1950
- v.3 1950-1952
- v.4 1952
- v.5 1953-1955
- v.6 1955-1957
- v.7 1957-1959
- v.8 1959-1961

Administrative documents

- v.9 1918-1928

Courses of study (volume number following title is that printed on spine)

- v.10 Grades 1-2 (v.1)
- v.11 Music, Social Studies Course of Study Committees (v.3) [1933/34]
- v.12 Course of study, 1935/36 (v.4)
- v.13 Course of study, 1936-1937 (v.5)
- v.14 Course of study, 1938-1939 (v.6)
- v.15 Course of study, 1939-1940 (v.7)
- v.16 Course of study, 1940-1942 (v.8)
- v.17 Course of study, 1942-1945 (v.9)
- v.18 Course of study, 1946-1947 (v.10)
- v.19 Course of study, 1948 (v.11)
- v.20 Course of study, 1949-1954 (v.12)
- v.21 Course of study, 1953-1954 (v.13)
- v.22-23 Course of study, 1954-1956 (v.14-15)
- v.24 Course of study, Vocational Nursing 1956 (v.16)
- v.25 Course of study, 1956-1958 (v.17)
- v.26 Course of study, Intermediate Schools, 1912-1918
- v.27 Course of study, Elementary Schools, 1915-1918
- v.28 Course of study, Monographs, 1918-1928
- v.29 Course of study, Monographs, 1919-29-1932
- v.30 Course of study, Social Science, 1932
- v.31 Arts, English, Home Economics [ca.1934-1936]

Directories

- v.32 1904/05-1905/06, 1913/14-1917/18. See Alameda County school directory for some of the missing years. (L903.C23A4)
- v.33 1919-28
- v.34 1928/29-1935/36
- v.35 1936-1940

- v.36 1940-1945
- v.37 1945-1950
- v.38 1950-1955
- v.39 1955-1960

Miscellaneous bound volumes

- v.40 Development of the Bureau of Curriculum, 1932-1942
- v.41 Curriculum practice in California schools, 1936
- v.42 Sourcebooks on the history of Berkeley, 1939
- v.43 History of the Berkeley Emergency Educational Program, [1934/35]

Ctn 5-7 Miscellaneous volumes and reports (see also 1978.058.022)

- Ctn 5:1 Berkeley school property survey, Jesse B. Sears. 1926
- Ctn 5:2 Report by building survey commission, 1934
- Ctn 5:3 Hazards in Berkeley school buildings, 1934
- Ctn 5:4 School housing and school organization survey (Hart Peterson survey) [p.1 of table of contents missing]
- Ctn 5:5 Structural evaluation of buildings, 1978
- Ctn 5:6 Sample Measure H needs assessment instruments & summaries. BUSD Measure H Office, 1987.
- Ctn 5:7 A tentative proposal for the development of a work training program under the provisions of the Economic Opportunities Act of 1964, submitted by City of Berkeley, Berkeley Unified School District, Oct. 1964
- Ctn 5:8 Recommendations for expenditures of Measure H revenues FY 1987-88. Measure H Planning and Oversight Committee. June 1987.
- Ctn 5:9 Summary of Measure H Planning and Oversight Committee recommendations for the expenditures for FY 1987-88.
- Ctn 5:10 Progress report on reconfiguration policy decisions. Nov. 1994.
- Ctn 5:11 Two notices re class size under Measure H. 1987.
- Ctn 5:12 Experimental schools in Berkeley [booklet]. 1971.
- Ctn 5:13 Experimental schools program [booklet]; cover title: Alternative education. 1972.
- Ctn 5:14 Facilities construction plan, 1992-2002. Review draft. Jan. 1995
- Ctn 5:15 Berkeley schools enrichment project: an overview. Fall 1993
- Ctn 5:16 Board workshop, May 24, 1995: discussion of 1995/96 goals
- Ctn 5:17 Berkeley schools excellence project; annual plan FY 1996. June 1995
- Ctn 5:18 East Campus playing fields project: draft environmental impact report. v.1. Prepared by Brady/LSA. Aug. 1999
- Ctn 5:19 Interracial problems and their effect on education in the public schools of Berkeley, California. Report to the Board of Education by An Advisory Committee of Citizens. Oct. 1959

- Ctn 5:20 Fitness for youth. Berkeley Public Schools health and physical education. 1957
- Ctn 5:21 Evaluation narrative of the Early Growth Center, July 1, 1971-June 30, 1974
- Ctn 5:22 Interracial gains and goals. Council on Social Planning. Aug. 1961
- Ctn 5:23 Facilities Planning Assumptions. April 1991
- Ctn 5:24 First estimate FY 2001 budget with full class size implementation per Berkeley schools excellence project measure. Feb. 2000. Budget review, second interim, July 1997-January 1998. FY 1998. March. 1998 (2 items)
- Ctn 5:25 Notes on the school master plan for Berkeley, by J.A. Dorst, May 1968
- Ctn 5:26 Ell School Plan Draft 1999-2000
- Ctn 5:27 Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education & Superintendent of Schools 1999-2000 Major Goals 1999-2000 Budget Requests Special Board Meeting: Budget Workshop March 27, 1999
- Ctn 5:28 Berkeley Unified School District Discipline Policy & Procedures Adopted January, 1991
- Ctn 5:29 Berkeley Unified School District Master Plan for Services to limited and non English proficient students as required by AB 507
- Ctn 5:30 A problem with Measure A implementation, by Jim Masters, Nov. 1994
- Ctn 5:31 List of school principals and secretaries, and school calendar, 1992/93.
- Ctn 5:32 Report on the 1995/96 reconfiguration plan and approval of 1996/97 reconfiguration. November 1995.
- Ctn 6:1 Real estate asset management: an evaluation of development potential and preliminary policy framework. 1989.
- Ctn 6:2 Berkeley schools enrichment project (measure H): site-administered enrichment program guidelines. 1990.
- Ctn 6:3 K-8 history/social science adoption. 1991.
- Ctn 6:4 Delivering our educational vision: Berkeley school facilities in the future. 1992.
- Ctn 6:5 FY 1994 final budget; 1995: first estimate and final 1996 budget. 1993
- Ctn 6:6 1995/96-1996/97: Guide to Berkeley schools
- Ctn 6:7 1997/98-2000/01: Guide to Berkeley schools
- Ctn 6:8 Audio visual instruction materials [catalog]. 1996.
- Ctn 6:9 The public schools: official organization. 1924/25. (also included in vol. 33 above)
- Ctn 6:10 Integration, n.d.
- Ctn 6:11 De facto segregation in the Berkeley schools; report of a citizens committee, Fall 1963
- Ctn 6:12 Desegregation of the Berkeley Public Schools: its feasibility and implementation, May 1964

- Ctn 6:13 Integrated quality education: a study of educational parks and other alternatives for urban needs, July 1968
- Ctn 6:14 Report of the Berkeley school master plan committee, v. 1, Oct. 1967
- Ctn 6:15 Report of the Berkeley school master plan committee, v. 2, Oct. 1967
- Ctn 6:16 School site utilization studies and reports, 1979-83:
 16:1 1983 updates (Sedway report)
 16:2 Project redesign, 1982
 16:3 Supplement to Task force on school reorganization and desegregation, 1981
 16:4 Citizens committee on school reorganization and desegregation, 1981
 16:5 Citizens master plan facilities committee, 1978
 16:6 Declining enrollment – closing schools: problems and solutions (AASA critical issues report, 1981?)
- Ctn 6:17 Desegregation; a multicultural model for all students. 1975
- Ctn 6:18 Sensitivity training for students. n.d.
- Ctn 7:1 Preliminary report by the School Building Advisory Committee. Nov. 1991
- Ctn 7:2 Preliminary report by the School Building Advisory Committee. Rev. Dec 1991
- Ctn 7:3 School building safety measure information book. Jan. 1992
- Ctn 7:4 Engineering and geotechnical engineering Investigation, Cragmont Elementary School. Vol. 1. June 1993
- Ctn 7:5 Delivering our education vision: Berkeley school facilities in the future—recommendations. Jan. 15, 1992
- Ctn 7:6 Delivering our education vision: Berkeley school facilities in the future—recommendations. Approved by the Board of Education, Jan. 29, 1992
- Ctn 7:7 Report of the Berkeley Unified School District Superintendent's ad hoc task force on school organization. Feb. 1993
- Ctn 7:8 Schools of excellence: a plan for the future—principles. Prepared by the Master Plan Committee. Jun 1990.
- Ctn 7:9 Berkeley Unified School District's strategic plan, 1991-1996. Draft. Dec. 1991.
- Ctn 7:10 Berkeley Unified School District's strategic plan, 1992-1996. Dec. 1991.
- Ctn 7:11 New voluntary plan to achieve racial desegregation of all public schools in the City of Berkeley. May 1995.
- Ctn 7:12 Facilities construction plan. Feb. 1996
- Ctn 7:13 Facilities construction plan. Feb. 1997
- Ctn 7:14 Facilities construction plan—review draft. Feb. 1995.
- Ctn 7:15 Parents Handbook for Elementary Schools, 1957