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### Campus School

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**Record Group:**  
Campus School Records

**Overview of the Collection**

Title: Aliases:	Campus School Records Ella Van Hoesen Campus School, School of Practice, Campus Laboratory School
Inclusive Dates:	1886-1984 (Inclusive)
Extent:	3 linear feet
Language:	English
Repository:	SUNY Cortland College Archives Memorial Library 81 Prospect Terrace Cortland, NY 13045 <a href="https://cortland.libguides.com/c.php?g=354291">https://cortland.libguides.com/c.php?g=354291</a>

**Biographical History**

When the Cortland Normal School was established in 1868, it entered into an agreement with the community to educate local children. The original location of the Normal School was downtown Cortland (where the courthouse stands today off of Church Street). This building was burned down in 1919. However, before the Normal School was built, the Cortlandville Academy was mainly responsible for educating school children. In efforts to build a new normal school for area and competing with other regions, including McGraw and Binghamton, Cortland engaged into an agreement with the academy to construct a new building but also take on local children as well. This financial agreement helped entice New York State to approve the location of Cortland for a normal school. Since its founding, the normal school was also a campus school, also commonly referred to as a school of practice.

The school of practice was beneficial to the future teachers the Cortland Normal School would help produce. This gave college students (referred to as pupils then) the opportunity to engage directly with the children through various classroom experiences such as the kindergarten class for example. Essentially this was a teacher-training opportunity. After the Normal Building burned down in 1919, Old Main was constructed in 1923. The school would move to the top of the hill (where SUNY Cortland currently resides). Old Main stood as the single building on campus for many years until the campus started to expand beginning in the 1950's.

Ella Van Hoesen (originally from Preble, NY) graduated from the Cortland Normal School in 1889. She started her teaching career at Cortland in 1903 and taught for 35-years and eventually become the Principle for the School of Practice. Upon her retirement in 1938, the Board of Visitors renamed the School of Practice to the Ella Van Hoesen Campus School. Decades later, during campus expansion, Van Hosen Hall was built in 1963 as a dedicated space for school children.

In the late 1970's and early 1980's many New York institutions suffered from financial hardships and SUNY started to rethink their positions. The SUNY Board of Trustees evaluated the role of the university toward campus schools and the community. Finally, in 1981, due to financial motivations and a changing university plan, the Ella Van Hosen Campus School officially closed at Cortland after 113-years of service.

### **Scope and Content Note**

This record includes curriculum information (faculty records and student work), master plans/re-organization, clippings and reports on the closure of the school. There are also number of newsletters, annual reports, memorandums, and yearbooks. The majority of the records detail the Campus School from the 1940's to the 1970's, but early rosters dating back to 1869.

### **Related Materials**

This record includes student yearbooks from the Campus School, see Student Publications for College Yearbooks.

Van Hosen Hall Records are available within the College Buildings Record Group

### **Access**

No special restrictions for access. Physical access would be required for some materials.

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### **Processing Information**

This record is currently fully processed.

### **Finding Aid Information**

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### **Arrangement**

The materials are arranged by the record group, then series. Said materials are processed primarily to the folder level, with about a third of item level materials intermingled throughout. There are ten series included in these records. The order of the series goes: Correspondences, Memorandums, Reports and Statistics, Center for Research and Development/Demonstration, Steering Committee, Faculty and Student Records, Grass Roots Center, Institute for Experimentation in Teacher Education, Programming and Special Events, and Student Materials.

## Inventory

### Series 1: Correspondences

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 26	Folder 1	Faculty Members	1946-1968
Box 26	Folder 2	Discontinuation of Campus School	1972-1981
Box 26	Folder 3	Franklin Coolidge and Foster Brown	1949-1953
Box 26	Folder 4	To Parents	1966-1973
Box 26	Folder 5	Student Concerns	1953-1954

### Series 2: Memorandums

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 26	Folder 6	Teaching and Curriculum	1946-1973
Box 26	Folder 7	Master Plans	1967-1974
Box 26	Folder 8	Enrollment	1953-1956

### Series 3: Reports and Statistics

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 27	Folder 3	Summaries	1965-1973
Box 26	Folder 14	Annual Reports	1953-1964
Box 26	Folder 10	Annual Reports	1970-1973
Box 26	Folder 11	Annual Reports	1973-1974
Box 27	Folder 1	Classroom and Building Reports	1958
Box 27	Folder 2	Speech Laboratory	1955
Box 26	Folder 12	Statistics	1966-1968
Box 26	Folder 13	Teaching and Curriculum	1963-1984

### Series 4: Center for Research and Development/Demonstration

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 27	-	Program for Teachers Report, Volume 1	1975
Box 28	Folder 1	Reports	1972-1974
Box 28	Folder 7	<i>Working Paper</i> by faculty	1972-1973
Box 28	Folder 8	Memorandums	1967-1973
Box 28	Folder 9	Philosophy	1970's
Box 28	Folder 10	Publicity	1970

### Series 5: Steering Committee

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 28	Folder 2	Proposals and Guidelines	1969
Box 28	Folder 3	Memorandums	1969-1970
Box 28	Folder 4	Minutes	1968-1970

### Series 6: Faculty and Student Records

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
Box 28	-	Roster of Students, Cortland Normal School	1869-1894
Box 28	Folder 5	Elementary Student Enrollment	1952-1980
Box 28	Folder 6	Faculty Rosters	1957-1972

### Series 7: Grass Roots Center

Container 1	Container 2	Title	Date
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Box 29	Folder 1	Workshops and Pamphlets	1983
Box 29	Folder 2	Newsletters	1975
Box 29	Folder 3	Reports	1974-1979

**Series 8: Institute for Experimentation in Teacher Education**

<b>Container 1</b>	<b>Container 2</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
Box 29	Folder 4	<i>Super Heart Newsletters</i>	1979-1982
Box 29	Folder 5	Super Heart Curriculum Guides	1981
Box 29	Folder 6	Programs	1973-1980
Box 29	Folder 7	Policies	1980
Box 29	Folder 8	Reports	1975-1980
Box 29	Folder 9	Memorandums	1974-1978
Box 29	-	Follow Up Study of CBTE Graduates	February 1978
Box 29	-	Self Study	November 1978
Box 29	-	Effects of Multiage Grouping on – Achievement and Self-Concept	April 1979
Box 30	Folder 1	Quest Daily News	1973-1972
Box 30	Folder 2	Quest Daily News	1979-1980

**Series 9: Programming and Special Events**

<b>Container 1</b>	<b>Container 2</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
Box 30	Folder 3	Education	1959-1968
Box 30	Folder 4	Graduation	1886-1982
Box 30	Folder 5	Concerts	1962-1982
Box 30	Folder 6	Plays	1947-1976
Box 30	Folder 7	Science Fair	1964-1965

**Series 10: Student Materials**

<b>Container 1</b>	<b>Container 2</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>
Box 31	Folder 1	Writings	1963-1974
Box 31	-	Little Dragon Yearbook	1957
Box 31	-	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1958
Box 31	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1964
Box 31	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1965
Box 31	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1966
Box 32	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1967
Box 32	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook	1968
Box 32	-	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Campus Yearbook (Signed by Students)	1968
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