

Central High School Yearbook Collection (AC71)

Introduction:

The Central High School Yearbook Collection consists of nearly 50 yearbooks.

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Central High School

Title: Central High School Yearbook Collection

Date Range: 1927- 1976

Size: 3.13 linear feet (8 boxes)

Collection Number: AC71

Donor Information:

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Citation Note:

Central High School Yearbooks Collection (71), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri.

Administrative Information:

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AC07 Sumner High School Collection

AC09 Lincoln High School Collection

AC72 Kansas City Regional High School Yearbooks Collection

AC73 Jackson County Genealogy Collection

Historical Sketch:

Central High School dates as far back as 1867, making it the oldest school in KCMO. The school board rented rooms on the bottom floor of its first location, the Stark Building at 11th and Locust since the board did not own any school buildings until after the Civil War. The board bought the

building outright in 1868. In 1882, the Stark Building was torn down and a new school building was erected on the property. Then, in 1915, the school moved to a new location at Linwood and Indiana. Central's student demographic, originally a White-only school, changed after *Brown v. The Board of Education* in 1955, becoming predominantly Black. In the '90s, the school moved to Indiana and 33rd St. The school's name was changed to Central Academy of Excellence in 2012. Ten years later, Central became one of ten schools the Kansas City Public Schools proposed be closed. However, the proposed closure was cancelled in 2023.

Scope and Content Note:

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- f. 12 1943 Centralian
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- f. 15 1945 Centralian
- f. 16 1946 Centralian
- f. 17 1947 Centralian
- f. 18 1947 Centralian- 74th Anniversary Edition
- f. 19 1949 Centralian

- f. 20 1949 Centralian
- f. 21 1950 Centralian
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- f. 45 1974 Masterpiece
- f. 46 1975 Centralian
- f. 47 1975 Centralian
- f. 49 1976 Centralian

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