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Guide to the

Colored School No. 1 records

1881-1977 [bulk 1882-1911]

Sc MG 400

Summary

Creator: Colored School No. 1 (Brooklyn, New York, N.Y.)

Title: Colored School No. 1 records

Date: 1881-1977 [bulk 1882-1911]

Size: 0.42 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Gift of David F. Samuel, October 1990.

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Abstract: Colored School No. 1 in the Fort Greene Section of Brooklyn, New York, founded in 1827, was preceded by the African Free School. Following the establishment of the public school system in Brooklyn in 1850, the African Free School was incorporated into the system and renamed Colored School No. 1. In 1887, following the end of segregated schools in Brooklyn, the Colored Schools were renamed, and Colored School No. 1 became Public School 67. This collection consists of three ledgers from Colored School No. 1. The Admissions book, (1882-1897) contains the names of the students, their ages, addresses, grades, and parents' names. The Discharge book (1882-1897) lists the students' names, class number, reason for leaving, and remarks. The Visitors' book includes registrations for visitors entering the building (1893-1911); it includes such individuals as T. McCants Stewart, a Black attorney and member of the New York City Board of Education, and Booker T. Washington, a friend of Stewart's. Additionally, there is a scrapbook compiled between 1976 and 1977 by David Samuel, a former principal of P.S. 67, the successor to Colored School No. 1. The scrapbook includes photocopies of photographs of the original building and prominent people associated with the school; a brief history of the school and faculty; information about other colored schools in Brooklyn; and material on Blacks and education during the late 19th century.

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American children -- Education
African American elementary schools
African American students
Schools -- New York (State) -- New York

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New-York African Free-School

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- b. 1 f. 1 History
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- b. 1 f. 3 Renaming P.S. 67 to Charles A. Dorsey School
- b. 1 f. 4 Miscellaneous
- b. 1 f. 5 Other colored schools
- b. 1 f. 6 Two certificates (awards of merit) to Joseph Shannon 1881
- b. 1 f. 7 Graduates in the Discharge book