Guide to the
Irving High School PTA Scrapbooks
1963-1986

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Historical Sketch

The Irving Independent School District was established in 1909. In 1912, a group of about a dozen women, known as the “Merry Matrons,” formed a mothers’ club to help with school matters. The group purchased books for the school library and also bought the school’s first piano.

Through the years, various iterations of the mothers’ club organized to serve the school. During the 1930-31 year, the group formalized and became a part of the county, state, and national P.T.A. The original Irving Parent Teachers Association was made up of parents and teachers from all levels of classes in the school district. At that time, there was only one elementary school and one high school which were located next to each other. A separate High School P.T.A. was formed before the 1937-38 year.

Scope and Content

The Irving High School PTA Scrapbooks contain seven scrapbooks and three photo albums from the years 1963-1986. The scrapbooks were made from 1963-1986 by members of the PTA and contain yearbooks, annual histories of the association, certificates awarded by the Texas PTA, material from state conferences, newspaper articles, photographs, and Christmas Pageant programs. The PTA yearbooks contain lists of the association’s officers, directories of the school’s faculty, annual budgets, and the association’s bylaws. The state conference material includes programs and postcards. The newspaper articles and photographs describe PTA meetings and special events related to
the presentation of awards to teachers and students, the improvement of public education, and the effort to prevent and reduce crime in Irving.

The photo albums contain 8x10 inch photographs from Irving High School graduation ceremonies from the years 1979-1981.

Provenance Statement

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Literary Rights Statement

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Container List


Box 1

Volume

1  Scrapbook, 1963-1973
Contains PTA yearbooks, annual editions of the “Historian’s Report,” certificates, newspaper articles, photographs, and printed material from state PTA conferences.

Box 2

Volume

2  Scrapbook, 1963-1968
Contains PTA yearbooks, annual editions of the “Historian’s Report,” certificates, newspaper articles, photographs, and printed material from state PTA conferences.

3  Scrapbook, 1973-1974
Contains PTA yearbook, newsletters and newspaper articles related to Irving High School and Irving ISD, certificates, photographs, and printed material from the state PTA conference.

4  Scrapbook, 1974-1975
Contains PTA yearbook, newsletters and newspaper articles related to Irving High School and Irving ISD, certificates, photographs, and printed material from the state PTA conference.

Box 3

Volume 5

Scrapbook, 1982-1983
Contains PTA yearbook, newsletters and newspaper articles related to Irving High School and Irving ISD, certificates, photographs, and printed material from the state PTA conference.

Box 4

Volume 6

Scrapbook, 1983-1984
Contains PTA yearbook, newsletters and newspaper articles related to Irving High School and Irving ISD, certificates, photographs, printed material from the state PTA conference, and a floor plan of the Irving High School building.

7 Scrapbook, 1984-1986
Contains PTA yearbooks, newsletters and newspaper articles related to Irving High School and Irving ISD, certificates, photographs, and printed material from state PTA conferences.

Series II. Photo Albums, 1979-1981

Box 3

Volume 1

Photo album, 1979
Contains photographs from the 1979 graduation ceremony.

2 Photo album, 1981
Contains photographs from the 1981 graduation ceremony.

Box 4

Volume 3

Photo album, undated
Contains photographs a graduation ceremony.