# HARDING HIGH SCHOOL COLLECTION INVENTORY, 1920s-2006

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# ABSTRACT

Named in honor of Superintendent Harry Patrick Harding, Harding High opened in September 1935, on Irwin Avenue, in Charlotte. The building remained a high school until 1961, when the Irwin Avenue building was designated a junior high school. The high school was moved to Alleghany Street, and was named Harding University High School the same year. The Irwin Avenue building later became an elementary school, and finally a Head Start Center. By the late 1980s, the building was demolished, with the exception of the auditorium and gymnasium, and another structure was built to accommodate the Irwin Avenue Open Elementary School.

Today, Harry P. Harding University High School is located at 2001 Alleghany Street, in Charlotte. It was established in 1992 as a Math, Science, and Technology school, and added International Baccalaureate to its program in 1995.

This collection contains artifacts, audio/visual materials, documents, newsletters, photographs, posters, and scrapbooks.

## ACCESS

This collection is currently being processed. Please contact the Carolina Room at (704) 416-0150 or email us at <u>ncr@cmlibrary.org</u> regarding research within this collection.

## PREFERRED CITATION

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## REFERENCES

Harding High School, Class of 1957. *Harding High History*. <u>http://www.harding1957.com/History-of-Harding-High-School.htm</u>

## **RELATED MATERIALS**

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#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains materials relating to Harding High School, including newsletters, student activities, reports, scrapbooks, programs, and many other items.

#### PREMLIMINARY INVENTORY

CONTENTS	BOX	FOLDER
#1 Scrapbook, clippings of school activities, 1944-1947	Shelf	
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#2 Scrapbook, clippings of school activities, 1939-1940		
#3 Notebook, minutes of PTA, 1946-1971; bylaws of PTA passed		
1962; Volume I notebook (newsletter issues) The Ram Page,		
1982/1983 to 1989/1990		
#4 Volume I notebook, The Ram Page Staff, 1982/1983 to		
1992/1993; Volume II notebook, <i>The Ram Page</i> , 1990/1991-		
1995/1996; Volume III notebook, The Ram Page Staff, 1993/1994-		
1996/1997; Volume III <i>The Ram Page Staff</i> , 1997/1998-1999/2000;		
Volume III The Ram Page Staff, 1996/1997-1999/2000; Volume IV		
The Ram Page, 2000/2001-2002/2003; Volume IV The Ram Page		
2000/2001-2002/2003		
#5 Harding High School Faculty Handbook, 1974 draft		
#6 Notebook, Dedication Program, 1962; numerous photographs		
of staff and courses		
#7 Notebook of Basketball programs, 1968-2003		
#8 Envelope of Who's Who in the South, 1952 and 1927; 3 framed		
photographs; 8 additional photographs		
#9 nothing listed		
#10 Wood plaque "Harding Booster Award," 1986-1990		
#11 Plate "Presented to Harry P. Harding University High School		
from the Crew of U.S.S. Charlotte"		

#12 nothing listed		
#13 Commencement brochure, Davidson, 1951 (4)	Shelf 2	
#14 Scrapbook of Harding Sports, newspaper clippings, 1942-1943 and 1943-1944		
#15 Various programs honoring H.P. Harding, birthday wishes, letters from second graders		
#16 Folder of assorted poetry published in school system		
#17 Assorted play programs, poetry, 1949-2002		
#18 Letters from students of Wesley Heights re: Harding's		
retirement		
#19 Scrapbook for Future Teachers of America, 1968-1972		
#20 Scrapbook "Report to the Nation,"—Second Peace Winner in		
Charlotte City Schools, c. 1942-1943		
#21 4 notebooks, Harding University High School in the News,		
1994-1997, 1997-2001, 1997-1999, 1999-2003		
#22 Records and scores on all Ram sports and history		
#23 Folder—"Archives 'Bones'"		
#24 Photographs, early 1960s		
#25 Various commencement programs; sports awards and		
banquets, National Honor Society, 1968-2002; commencement		
programs, 1946-1997		
#26 Framed certificate to Coed Jr., Civitan Club from Cotswold		
Civitan Club, 1971		
#27 50 <sup>th</sup> Reunion books for Classes 1946 and 1947		
#28 Harding High School general bulleting and reunion books of		
1943, 1946, 1947 (45 <sup>th</sup> and 50 <sup>th</sup> ), 1949, 1953-1954, 1972, 1977, 1988		
#29 Plaque to Harding High School Media Center Staff for		
Distinguished Service by 1991 Harding High School Executive Council		
#30 Notebook of football programs, 1950-1979		
#31 Notebook of football programs, 1945-1949; program Charlotte	Shelf	
Central High vs. Salisbury, 1944 and Central vs. Gastonia, 1946	3	
#32 Wooden plaque "City Champs Girls 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball,"		
1940-1943		
#33 5 photographs of May Court, Queen Barbara Harrison, 1952		
#34 Harry P. Harding High School blueprints		
#35 Various documents, 1999-2000, PTSA proposed budget, bus		
routes, article on Harding High School 30 <sup>th</sup> best in country		

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#36 Correspondence re: consultant for self-study, 1969; addendum		
report to Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; Report of		
Harding High School personnel		
#37 Attendance reports, 1935-1959		
#38 Teachers' Handbook, undated		
#39 3 Herbert Spaugh Jr. High, 1961, 1965, 1966		
#40 Notebook of evaluative criteria reports, 1960, National Study of		
Secondary School Evaluation		
#41 Correspondence to Dr. and Mrs. H.P. Harding 1945-1959;		
clippings, booklet on New Orleans; Sterling silver bookmarks;		
historic photographs; druggist's receipt; notebook of poetry, 1925;		
other booklets including autobiography of Charles Luther lves		
#42 Charlotte Observer article on 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of Harding High		
School, 1985		
#43 2 laminated pages of above newspaper		
#44 Harry P. Harding School Evaluation 1979 with 5 year Interim		
Review Report, 1983-1984		
#45 Scrapbook of clippings, 1941-1942		
#46 Scrapbook of H.P. Harding upon retirement; photographs;		
birthday wishes, etc.		
#47 Oversize		
#48 Scrapbook for SAE Club, 1974-1977		
#49 Framed letter from Jimmy Carter, President, to graduates of		
Harding High School, 16 May 1977		
#50a Harding University High School Athletic Program books,		
2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2003; and various football programs in		
notebook, 2002-2005		
#50b Notebook of football programs, 1985-2000		
#50c Box of football programs and basketball programs		
#51 and 52 Oversize		
#53 Notebook "Books that have Influenced My Life"; students and		
teachers—includes photographs of students and their list of books;		
other assorted papers		
#54 Envelope with invitations, programs, and clipping on 50 <sup>th</sup>	Shelf	
Anniversary, 1985; Dedication Program, 1962	4	
#55 Envelope with Charlotte Central High School "The Rambler"		
newspaper, 1947 (1) and 1958		
#56 Oversize		
#57 Framed article about sisters playing tennis for Harding Rams		
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one without; yellow tank top; red tank top; white tank top; white		
shorts; 2 white tank tops; 3 red tank tops; yellow tank top; purple		
and white stripe long sleeve shirt—soccer		
#75 Girls Basketball uniforms with key to who wore them and		
years; 2 heavy short sleeve shirts and older purple and gold cap		
belonging to "bones"		
#51 2 posters 1999—Harding sports dates; 2 posters, 2003—	Shelf	
sports schedules; another 2003 poster	7	
#56 Photograph of Harding Class of 2006		
#52 Plastic poster advertising BBQ sale		
#47 Tube—1 page Brackett Association blue print of library, 1981		
#66 Special Archives including memorabilia praising Harding. His		
1 <sup>st</sup> grade certificate, 1901; Certificate for superintendent; honorary		
degree from Davidson; personal papers; numerous graduation		
certificates		
#74e Long box of uniforms (12-15 approximately); items of clothing		
and name tag for Marty Mulligan, Harding archivist and coach,		
1997		
#12 Large bronze plaque from DAR, 1947-1967, recipients of good		
citizenship		
#9 Large wooden scrapbook entitled "On the Road to Success in a		
Year Review"		