

Collection name: Thunder Bay Junior High School Collection

Collection number: TBJHC 1

Dates: 1968 to 2019

Quantity: 5 boxes – 2.16 linear feet

Provenance note: Donated by Thunder Bay Junior High School

Biographical & Historical Information:

Established in 1867, the Union School District gave a nine-year education. With ever increasing student populations, the Union School building was deemed as no longer fitting for its' students. By 1889, a new school building (Central High School) was constructed on the original site of the Union School building. The brick building held both elementary and high school level classes, first floor belonging to the elementary program. In 1940, the Central High building was destroyed by fire.

Alpena High School was later constructed on the same site and opened its' doors to the community in September, 1942. With ever increasing student populations a pilot junior high program began at Besser School for middles grade students in 1963. By 1967, a new high a new high school was planned and opened and Central High became Thunder Bay Junior High.

By 1984, the ninth grade class was integrated into the high school. Besser Junior high closed later to be reopened as an elementary school. By 1996, voters passed a bond which allowed for a new junior high campus project, relocating the school to Third and Bagley. The year 1999, marked the final year students walked through the doors of a school on Second and Dunbar.

Source: Rootsweb

(<https://sites.rootsweb.com/~mialpena/HistDoc/tbjhs.htm>)

Scope & Content: *Yearbooks range from 1968 to 2019*

Access: Open to research.

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