



Descriptive Summary:

Title: The Association for Childhood Education Collection

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Creator: The Association for Childhood Education

Dates: 1929-1930; 1945-1971

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Biographical Note

The Association for Childhood Education (A.C.E.) was organized at Northern Normal and Industrial School in 1915 under the guidance of Lida M. Williams as the Kindergarten-Primary Council. In 1931, the association became a branch of the Association for Childhood Education and adopted the national name to reflect its state and national organization affiliations. Members of the club included students of the Kindergarten-Primary department and others interested in promoting the social and professional growth of childhood education. The purpose of the association was to encourage and promote progressive education for young children and to stimulate interest and further acquaint students with the teacher's role in child development. A.C.E.'s motto was "He who serves the child, best serves humanity". The association sponsored many events throughout its active years, including parties for children of faculty members, banquets, lectures, and "Fairyland", an annual event to give the children of Aberdeen and the surrounding area a day of fun. A.C.E. disbanded around 1970.

Scope and Content

This collection is arranged in one series: Meeting Minutes. The minutes are arranged chronologically. The collection is entirely in English.

Series Descriptions:

Series Title: Meeting Minutes

Boxes: 1

Dates: 1929-1930; 1945-1971

Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Series Title: Meeting Minutes

Box #1

Book 1 Kindergarten-Primary Council meeting minutes (1929-1930); Association for Childhood Education meeting minutes (1964-1971)

Book 2 Association for Childhood Education meeting minutes (1945-1960)