

Guide to the **School Records Collection: Ithaca Public Schools**

General – Financial Records

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COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This box contains financial records generated by the Ithaca Public Schools, ranging from the 1840s to the 1990s. Folder 1 contains the earliest documents in the collection, which include handwritten lists of building supplies and teacher salaries. Official city tax rolls in bound books from 1893 and 1894 can be found in folders 2 and 3. Late 19th century newspaper clippings concerning school budget decisions and meetings of the Board of Education are in folder 4. Folders 5 and 6 contain reports about spending and possible sources of revenue for schools; the earlier report (folder 5) was the result of a research project by a student at the College of Agriculture at Cornell University, while the latter (folder 6) was presented directly to the Board of Education. Folder 7 contains two documents from the 1990s. One is a summary of budget issues and basic facts and figures, prepared by three parents on the district's budget steering committee. The other document is a condensed version of a strategic budget plan for the school district from 1994, drafted by a district administrator.

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