

Sunset/Hytop School

Location: S34/T1/R5E

Funds: \$130

1908: One teacher

1918-1919 Not Listed

1923-1924 Nola Proctor, 3 months at \$60

School District: 82 (Sunset)

School District: 106 (Hytop)

Teacher in 1923: Summer Term, none defined

Trustees in 1923: Wade Clark, Noel Houston, and W. W. Parker (Sunset)

Trustees in 1923: Tom Sanders, Asa Bell, and D. C. Thackerson (Hytop)

Teacher in 1939: Charlsie Young (under Hytop)

School Location: Hytop

Grades: 1-6



According to Wendell Page, students who attended Sunset or Hytop School lived at Jericho, the logging camp of the Davidson, Hicks, and Green Lumber Company of Cowan, Tennessee. Jericho was abandoned in 1925. The families moved to Cowan. The school closed. The area today is in the Skyline Management Area. Some teachers at this school are Mabel Gillis (1901), Sam B. Winger (1902), Miss Warren (1915), Nola Proctor (1923). and Charlsie Young. The school existed as early as 1901 and was functioning as a school as late as 1942. The school property was sold in 1951.

Jul 4, 1901 PA: Nat News. “Mabel Gillis went to Hytop Friday where she will begin her school.”

Sep 18, 1902 PA: Hytop News. “Our School closed at Poplar Spring and Mr. Hall returned home at Larkinsville.”

Oct 30, 1902 PA: Hytop News. “S. B. Winger opened school on the mountain last Monday.”

Nov 27, 1902 PA: Hytop News. Mr. Manning, of the Talladega school for the blind, was here this week. Miss Dovie Paschal return to Talladega with him.”

Mar 10, 1903 PA: Hytop News. “S. B. Winger’s school is out and Sam is busy building on this homestead. He attended the Institute at Larkinsville.”

Oct 7, 1915 SC: Hytop Dots. “Miss Lucy Fricks returned home last Sunday after a stay of four months in our midst and we miss her very much. Miss Warren, teacher of Sunset school, had a nice entertainment last Saturday night.”

Nov 4, 1937 PA: Financial Report for Jackson County Schools. Jess Parks and Wade Clark were paid \$3.00 each for providing wood for Hytop School.

Nov 10, 1938 PA: Financial Report for Jackson County Schools. W. A Parker paid \$12.50 for providing wood for Hytop School.

Jun 26, 1941 PA: “Friends of Man, a story filmed in the mountains of NC, shown as Hytop School.”

Oct 29, 1942 PA: Financial Repot for Jackson County School. Willie Parker paid \$16.75 for providing wood for Hytop School.

Feb 15, 1945 PA: Farm meeting held at Hytop School.

Aug 2, 1951 PA: "Sale of School Property. Notice is hereby given that the Jackson County Board of Education will accept sealed bid until 12 o'clock noon August 31, 1951 on the school property listed below....Sunset—2 acres of land...Signed Delbert Hicks, Superintendent of Education."