

School Records, Education Department

1881 – c. 2000

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Records Location

These records are held by [State Archives and Records Authority of New South Wales \(June 1961 - current\)](#)

Details

These School records (1881-c.2000) originate from individual schools. They include admission registers, punishment books, examination books, stock books, visitors books, staff meeting records and observation books. Of these records, the admission registers are probably of most relevance to people tracing their origins. They record: name and age of child; religion; date of leaving last school; name, residence and occupation of parent or guardian; date of admission to each division; and date of leaving school.

Access Conditions

Most school records are restricted for 30 years, with the exception of visitors books, staff meeting records, punishment books, and observation books, which are restricted for 50 years. For permission to access closed records please contact the NSW Department of Education.

Records older than 30 or 50 years are open access, and are available for viewing at the Western Sydney Records Centre. Contact Museums of History NSW (State Archives) for access to these records.

Records

These records may be a source of information about children who were residents of children's homes, or cared for under a substitute care program, particularly where no other records of that home or program survive. For example, the records of Carlingford Public School may contain information about children from Dalmar at Carlingford.

Museums of History NSW have published list of records in this series that relate to Aboriginal Schools, arranged alphabetically by school. This list, titled [Aboriginal school records, 1876-1979](#) is available on the Museums of History NSW website.

No new records have been added to this series since the year 2000, and records relating to particular schools have been removed from this series and grouped together to form their own series. These can be found by searching the school name in the State Archives catalogue. For additional assistance in identifying relevant school records, please contact State Archives.

A number of records relating to schools in the Hunter and Riverina regions are on loan to the University of Newcastle Archives and the Charles Sturt University Archives, Wagga Wagga respectively. A full listing of these records is available from State Records.

If State Records does not hold the records of a particular school, it is possible that the school itself still holds them. In these cases, enquiries should be directed to the Principal of the school.

More info

Organisations in these records

Related Organisations

- [Department of Public Instruction \(1880 - 1915\)](#)
- [Department of Education, State Government of New South Wales \(1915 - 1989\)](#)
- [Kinchela Training Home for Aboriginal Boys \(1923 - 1970\)](#)
School Records contains records from the school at Kinchela Training Home
- [Department of School Education, State Government of New South Wales \(1989 - 1997\)](#)
- [Department of Education and Training, State Government of New South Wales \(1997 - 2011\)](#)

Resources

- Museums of History NSW, [Index to Schools and related records, 1876-1979](#), No date
- Museums of History NSW, [School Student Records Guide](#), No date
- Museums of History NSW, [School Records Guide](#), No date
- Museums of History NSW, [Aboriginal Resources: An Overview of Records](#), No date

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