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## Summary Information

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## Historical Note

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The Child Development Laboratories are administered by the Department of Family and Child Ecology at Michigan State University (MSU). They allow MSU students to observe and participate in early childhood learning activities. The Child Development Laboratories consist of several preschool programs, two of which preceded the creation of the Child Development Laboratories. The College Nursery School opened in June 1927 and operated in various buildings on campus. Its name was changed to the Laboratory Preschool in 1955.

The Spartan Cooperative Nursery School was opened in 1948 to accommodate veteran students' families and was located in two Quonset huts near the Munn Ice Arena. In this program, parents paid reduced fees in exchange for participating in the preschool. The Spartan Nursery School received funds from the Head Start Program in the 1960s and trained teachers for the program. The two facilities were united as the Child Development Laboratories and

both moved to the Central School Building in East Lansing in 1988. A second campus opened in 2004 through collaboration with Haslett Public Schools and Head Start.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains press clippings, photographs, correspondence and publications from the history of the Child Development Laboratories. There are also materials dealing with the history of the Laboratory Preschool and Spartan Cooperative Nursery School and the purchase and renovation of the Central School building to house the two programs. The photographs consist of scrapbooks with early shots of the Spartan Nursery School as well as the Child Development Laboratories. Also included are blueprints of the Spartan Nursery School from 1948.

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## Administrative Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Children
- Education, Preschool -- Michigan -- East Lansing
- Education
- Nursery schools -- Michigan -- East Lansing
- Correspondence
- Photographs
- Scrapbooks
- Michigan State University. Child Development Laboratories
- Central School (East Lansing, Mich.)
- Michigan State University. Department of Family and Child Ecology
- Michigan State University. Child Development Laboratories

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## Collection Inventory

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Records		
Title/Description	Instances	
Central School Building, Undated	box 2003	folder 1
Central School Building Historic Preservation & Newsclippings, 1984-1987, 1989, Undated	box 2003	folder 2
Correspondence, 1952, 1959, 2001, Undated	box 2003	folder 3
Fundraiser, 1987	box 2003	folder 4
History of the Child Development Laboratories, 1950, 1966, 1972, 1986, Undated	box 2003	folder 5
"Laboratory Preschool Parent Handbook" , 1981	box 2003	folder 6
<i>Lansing Magazine</i> , September 1988	box 2003	folder 7
Photographs in September 1988 <i>Lansing Magazine</i> , 1988	box 2003	folder 8

Miscellaneous, 1950, 1988, Undated	box 2003	folder 9
"MSU Daycare Programs- Descriptive Profiles", June 1980	box 2003	folder 10
Newspaper Clippings, 1947-1951, 1953-1957, 1959	box 2003	folder 11
Newspaper Clippings, 1957-1992, Undated	box 2003	folder 12
Pamphlet- "Abilities: What Babies Can Do" , 1980	box 2003	folder 13
Pamphlet- "Enjoy Your Baby, Enjoy Yourself" , 1980	box 2003	folder 14
Relocation of Spartan Cooperative Nursery School and Laboratory Preschool to Central School Building, 1985-1986, Undated	box 2003	folder 15
Report of the Spartan Nursery School, 1949	box 2004H	folder 1
Spartan Cooperative Nursery School Guest Registers, 1948-1954	box 2003	folder 16
Spartan Cooperative Nursery School Correspondence and Newspaper Clippings , 1949, 1955,1967-1968, 1971, Undated	box 2003	folder 17
"Spartan Nursery School Parent Handbook" , 1981	box 2003	folder 18
"Spartan Nursery School Parent Handbook" , July, 1982	box 2003	folder 19
Spartan Nursery School Reports, First Report, December 1948	box 2003	folder 20
Spartan Nursery School Reports, Second Report, March 7, 1950. (Graduation 1948 issue of "The Record" included), 1950	box 2003	folder 21
Spartan Nursery School Reports, Third Report, July 1951, (MSC 1951 Commencement Program included), 1951	box 2003	folder 22

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## Photographs

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Central School Building, 8 x 10, Black and white, Undated	box 2003	folder 23
Central School Building, 8 x 10 Color, Undated	box 2003	folder 24
Central School Building, Black and white, Before Renovation, 1987, Undated	box 2003	folder 25
Central School Building, Color, After Renovation, Undated	box 2003	folder 26
Children's Activities, 1928-1987, Undated	box 2003	folder 27
Children's Activities, 5 x 7, 1990, Undated	box 2003	folder 28
Children's Activities, Black and White, Undated	box 2003	folder 29

Children's Activities, Black and White, 1951, 1957-1959, 1965, Undated	box 2003	folder 30
Children's Activities, color, Undated	box 2003	folder 31
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Black and white negative of girl, Undated	box 2003	folder 42
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Negatives, Undated	box 2003	folder 45
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## Scrapbooks

Title/Description	Instances	
1947-1967	box 2005H	volume 1
1947-1949	box 2004H	folder 2
1949, Undated	box 2004H	folder 2
photocopy	box 2004H	folder 3
Part 1	box 2004H	folder 4
Part 2- oversized pages	box 2005H	folder 2

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## Oversized

Title/Description	Instances
Blueprints- Spartan Nursery School, 1948	drawer 11

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## Audio

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Oral History of the Spartan Cooperative Nursery School with Betty Garlick, December 19, 1995 <u>Digital Object: <a href="#">Interview with Betty Garlick, December 19, 1995</a></u>	cassette 1251

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