

## Douglas School District

The district was established October 4, 1859 and was one of the earliest school districts in Siskiyou County. The school site (the last school house is still standing) is located at approximately five miles from Etna on the Callahan-Etna Road at its junction with French Creek Road. As far as is known, this is the site of the first log school house of the district.

In 1899-1900 Miss Lena Dangle was the teacher. She received a salary of \$65.00 per month for a seven and half month term. There were nine pupils that year. In 1940 the district was annexed to the Etna Union District.

It is interesting to note that one of the original discoverers of Scott Valley, Trapper Meek, a Hudson Bay beaver trapper, finally settled in this vicinity.

### Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: October 4, 1859 – No description given (2-154) (Also see reference referred to in 2-132 and 2-133)

February 7, 1860 – School Districts No. 17 & 18 combined to form Douglas School District No. 17 (2-172)

January 5, 1886 – Boundary changed, description given (4-94)

April 3, 1905 – Part of French Creek School District given to Douglas School District, description given (7-170)

August 5, 1930 – Suspended and ordered re-established (15-312)

January 3, 1940 – Annexed to the Etna Union Elementary School District 918-275)



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