

Little Shasta School District

The first official reference to this district is in 1869. However, a plaque on the school indicates that the first school building was erected and occupied in 1858.

The school houses, as far as is known, have always been located at the present site, which is approximately seven and half miles east of Montague on the Lower Little Shasta Road. One description of the early Little Shasta School states, "The old rough board, box-shaped school house with its battered cracks and boxed eaves stood for many years as a work shop on the old Ranous Ranch after its school life was over. It was built in 1860 where the present school house now stands".

The earliest school records show that in 1899 Miss Mary Hays was the teacher. School was held for seven and half months with 27 pupils in attendance.

This school is one of the very earliest schools in Siskiyou County and has now been in continuous operation for about 117 years!

Boundary description in records of County Superintendent of Schools.

Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: There is no record as to the date of establishment. The earliest date of any reference in board of Supervisors minutes is August 2, 1869 (see 1918 book)

August 2, 1869 – Little Shasta District divided and Table Rock District established (3-48)

May 2, 1870 – Above division worded (3-89)

August 4, 1873 – Boundary change (3-218)

February 6, 1877 – Boundaries re-defined and clarified (3-362)

April 3, 1905 – Boundary change petition rejected (7-170)

September 21, 1908 – Tax rate election (7-555)

September 24, 1908 – Canvass of tax election (7-540)

February 2, 1914 – Boundary change between Table Rock and Little Shasta (9-420)

April 6, 1920 – Part of Hovey Gulch School District annexed to Little Shasta School District (12-137)

July 2, 1940 – Little Shasta Union school District dissolved and Little Shasta School District re-established, boundaries described (18-336)

September 23, 1952 – Hearing on boundary change (22-276)

November 8, 1952 – Hearing on boundary change continued (22-314)

December 2, 1952 – Boundary changed (22-326)



Little Shasta Grammar School, 1888. Siskiyou County Office of Education School History Collection.



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