

Mount Shasta Union School District

The district was formed in 1925. It was made up of several earlier districts (see Berryvale, Mill, Azalea, and Rainbow districts).

The first school in the Mount Shasta area was on Mr. Sisson's property near what is now the State Fish Hatchery. In 1878, another school was built near the present Mount Shasta Cemetery. The next school in the area was situated at Berryvale, in a meadow between Cedar Street and Alma Street in the present city of Mount Shasta (see Berryvale).

When the railroad reached town, the name Berryvale was changed to Sisson. Later this name changed to Mount Shasta Union District.

Development of the present Mount Shasta Union District:

1. Mott school District (1887) name changed to Azalea School District (1915).
2. Azalea was annexed to Mount Shasta Union in 1932.
3. Mill (Azalea) consolidated with the Berryvale District under the name of Berryvale in 1908.
4. Berryvale renamed Sisson School District in 1916.
5. Sisson School District renamed Mount Shasta Union District in 1925.

Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: April 7, 1925 – Petition to change name of Sisson union to Mount Shasta Union (13-362)

May 5, 1925 – Sisson Union name change to Mount Shasta Union (13-380)

February 2, 1932 - Illegal petition to annex Azalea to Mount Shasta (6-112)

March 8, 1932 – Petition filed to annex Azalea to Mount Shasta (16-115)

April 5, 1932 – Azalea annexed to Mount Shasta (16-124)

May 21, 1946 – Special funds allocated (20-102)

June 3, 1946 – Matter of Christmas tree fund (20-107)

June 3, 1946 – Bond election called (20-114)

June 20, 1946 – Allotment of State School Funds (20-132)

July 1, 1946 – Sale of school bonds (20-136)

June 24, 1947 – Allocation of funds (20-286)

September 19, 1947 – Special transfer of funds (20-325)

October 5, 1948 – Agreement between County and school for construction work (20-462)

June 2, 1953 – Bond election, ordered (22-448)

June 30, 1953 – Bond bid rejected (2-467)

January 5, 1954 – Opening of bond bids (23-83)

January 29, 1957 – Boundary line clarification (24-484)

April 15, 1958 – Sale of school bonds (25 – 366)



Primary school building, ca. 1939. Photo by Mildred Grant, donated by Roderick and Larry Grant.



Elementary School, ca. 1935. Photo by Bob Dennis, from the collection of Bob Dais.



Main building, ca. 1939. Photo by Mildred Grant, donated by Roderick and Larry Grant.



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Mt. Shasta Elementary School (aka the "Little School"), ca. 1950. Siskiyou County Office of Education School History Collection.