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The Madawaska Training School was chartered in 1878. Initially the school was divided between locations in Fort Kent and Van Buren, Maine; in 1884, the Van Buren location was moved to Grand Isle. Fort Kent became the sole home of the school in 1887. A number of buildings were added to the Madawaska Training School campus throughout the years, including Nowland Hall, a dormitory, opened in 1893; a building of classrooms dedicated as Cyr Hall in 1895; the model school in 1909; Dickey Hall, a men's dormitory, in 1916; and a gymnasium in 1929. In 1920, a high school component was added to the training school, awarding high school diplomas to its graduates. By 1952 funding waned for the school and its structures fell into disrepair. This, combined with the lack of enthusiasm and support for a 2-year program when the state held a number of teachers' colleges, led to the Madawaska Training School remaining the only normal school in the State of Maine in 1952. After legislative mandate, the high school component began a three-year phase out, beginning in 1949. The legislature pushed for the school to be closed; however, after intense lobbying by the school's administration, the Madawaska Training School was restructured and renamed the Fort Kent Normal School in 1955. It would see two more name changes (Fort Kent State Teacher's College in 1961 and Fort Kent State College in 1966) before becoming the University of Maine at Fort Kent in 1970.

The Madawaska Model School was built in 1909 as part of the Madawaska Training School in Fort Kent, Maine, for student teaching and observation.

Scope and content:

This collection consists of registers kept by teachers at the Madawaska Model and Training schools. The registers contain students' names and attendance records. Some of the volumes contain the recording teacher's name and the grade he or she taught. The registers were created between 1898 and 1950. The following teachers' names appear on the registers: Alice A. Bucknam; Alice V. Russell; Amy Vance; Angeline M. Michaud; Anne Marie Cyr; Bernice M. Vance; Beulah Bradbury; Carrie Cooper; Catherine Ouellet; Cathryn R. Hctor; Eva B. Springer; Frances C. Wolverton; Gertrude Davis; Harriet M. Davis; Hazel R. Mills; Jotham G. Reynolds; Katherine L. Orcutt; Laura Richardson; Loretta C. Daigle; Loretta C. Michaud; Marie A. Bourgoin; Marion F. Pinette; Mary P. Nowland; Mrs. Paul

Ouillette; Nellie M. Teed; Nettie Pierce; Richard F. Crocker;
 Ruth E. Gregory; Sarah T. Burpee; Theresa M. Marquis; Velma
 E. Carter; Vida V. Vance; and Yvonne Daigle.

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