

# St. John's Academy Records Finding Aid MS004

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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

MS004

### Unit Date

1833-1899

### Language

English .

### Creator

St. John's Academy

### Extent

2.07 Cubic Feet 5 boxes

### Repository

Local History and Special Collections Branch, Alexandria Library

## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

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# Biographical / Historical

St. John's Academy was established in 1833, and moved to a location at 57 South Royal Street (on the corner of Duke Street) in 1834. Rev. John Smith was the first principal; he was succeeded in turn by Rev. Stephen L. Dubuisson in 1837, Mr. John H. Kellenberger in 1839, and Mr. Hugh C. McLaughlin shortly thereafter. The school closed in 1841 when McLaughlin left Alexandria, but reopened in 1847 under R.L. Carne, Jr. A primary school, in addition to the older boys' school, was added in the 1850s. The upper school, additionally, was a military academy.

## Content Description

The collection consists primarily of student records and student newspapers. There are several miscellaneous items as well. Topics covered include: school organization, rules of behavior, student achievement, student names, places of residence and dates of attendance, and academic subjects and undertakings.

## Related Materials

"History of Saint John's Academy, 1833-1895" by Allan W. Robbins in *Alexandria History* 5 (1983).

## Keywords

The Academy Journal  
Schools -- Virginia -- Alexandria.

## Arrangement

The collection is divided into the following eight series, arranged as indicated within parentheses: Series I: Student Activities (alphabetical) Series II: Clippings, 1840-1899 (chronological by year) Series III: Miscellaneous (alphabetical) Series IV: The Academy Journal, 1866-1885 (chronological by year) Series V: Student Records, 1833-1896 (chronological) Series VI: Registers of Students Series VII: Course Catalogues Series VIII: Christmas Cards

## Description of Subordinate Components

### Student Activities

#### "A Public Entertainment..."

**Unit Date** n.d. [1850's]

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 1 (folder)

#### Homework

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 2 (folder)

#### "Intended Retirement of R.L. Carne..."

**Unit Date** 1892

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 3 (folder)

### Clippings

**Unit Date** 1840-1899

**Clippings**

**Unit Date** 1840-1899

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 4 (folder)

## Miscellaneous

### **Andrews Latin Lessons - Academy Bookplate**

**Unit Date** 1864

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 5 (folder)

### **Correspondence from William H. Sweeney (teacher) to John T. Riordan,**

**Unit Date** 1886

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 6 (folder)

### **50th Anniversary Speech**

**Unit Date** 1883

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 7 (folder)

## **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1866-1885

### **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1866-12-25-1868-06-10

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 8 (folder)

### **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1878

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 9 (folder)

### **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1879

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 10 (folder)

### **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1880

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 11 (folder)

### **The Academy Journal**

**Unit Date** 1881

**Text** 1 (box)

**Container** 12 (folder)

**The Academy Journal****Unit Date** 1882**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 13 (folder)**The Academy Journal****Unit Date** 1883**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 14 (folder)**The Academy Journal****Unit Date** 1885**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 15 (folder)**The Academy Journal****Unit Date** 1872-04-1882-08**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 16 (folder)**The Academy Journal****Unit Date** 1882-10-1892-08**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Student Records****Unit Date** 1833-1896**Annual Circular 13th -21st Sessions****Unit Date** 1851-52 through 1859-60**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 18 (folder)**Graduation Certificate of Charles Deidel,****Unit Date** 1876**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 19 (folder)**Accounts Ledger****Unit Date** 1860-1867**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 20 (folder)**Grand Roll, 1st - 63rd Sessions****Unit Date** 1833-1896**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 21 (folder)

**Register, 27th Session****Unit Date** 1865-1866**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 22 (folder)**Register, 29th Session****Unit Date** 1867-1868**Text** 3 (box)**Container** 23 (folder)**Register, 30th Session****Unit Date** 1868-1869**Text** 3 (box)**Container** 24 (folder)**Grand Roll of St. John's Academy 1833-1838 Reconstructed,****Unit Date** 1833-1838; 1847-April 1865**Text** 3 (box)**Container** 25 (folder)**Registers of Students****Register of St. John's Academy****Unit Date** 1862-1863**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 26 (folder)**Register of St. John's Academy****Unit Date** 1863-1864**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 27 (folder)**Register of St. John's Academy****Unit Date** 1878-1879**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 28 (folder)**Register of St. John's Academy****Unit Date** 1883-1884**Text** 5 (box)**Container** 29 (folder)**Course Catalogues****Scope and Contents**

Catalogues describing the course of study, expenses etc.

**Course Catalogues****Unit Date** 1883-1884, 1887-1888, 1894**Text** 5 (box)**Container** 30 (folder)**Christmas Cards**

## **Christmas Cards**

### **Scope and Contents**

Blank Christmas cards from Patricia and Bob Roland featuring images of the St. John's Academy building dates from the 1980's and 1990's.

### **Christmas Cards**

**Unit Date** 1980s and 1990's

**Text** 5 (box)

**Container** 31 (folder)