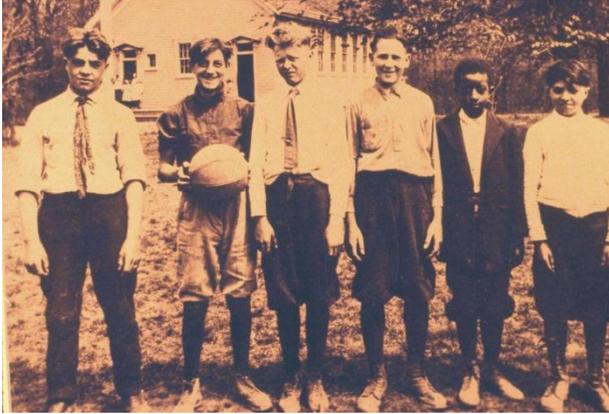


What Are Your School Memories?

The former students of Columbia County one-room schoolhouses have many memories and unique stories about their school experiences.

What are some fun stories your parents, grandparents, family members or a friend have from school when they were your age? You may find that you both like the same subjects, or learn an old tradition that has changed during your time in school.

Talk to a trusted elder at home or give them a phone call!



(left) Swamp "College" students playing a popular recess game, "kiddie-eye-over," 1920s



(right) Pulver Station Schoolhouse District #9 class in Ghent, 1929

What is your name?

When and where were you born?

Where do you live now (county, state?)

How long have you lived there?

Where did you grow up/ attend elementary school?

What was the name of your school?

How close was it to your home? Could you walk to school?

What time did school start? End?

How large was your fourth-grade class?

What subjects were you taught?

What was your favorite subject? Why?

What was your least favorite subject? Why?

Did you study current events as well as history?

Did you study penmanship?

Did you have spelling bees?

Do you recall any favorite books that you read at school or on your own?

Did you have a library at school or in your neighborhood?

Did you have a library card?

Do you remember the name of your fourth grade teacher?

What do you remember about your fourth grade teacher?

Did you have a best friend or more than one especially close friend? What do you remember about him/her/them? Do you still talk to them?

Did you bring your own lunch to school? If yes, what did you most enjoy bringing? If no, were you sent home for lunch or was there a lunchroom or cafeteria at school? What was the food like?

Did you play outside during recess? Do you remember any games from recess?

Did you attend gym classes? What did you do during gym class?

Do you remember staying home from school due to illness?

Was school ever closed because of an illness or epidemic? When and what do you remember about it?

Did you learn about previous epidemics or pandemics of illness in the world (like the 1918 influenza pandemic, for example?) If yes, what do you recall about it?