

In The Beginning

1719 - 1890

1719 –

Massachusetts Law required that every Town of 100 was to provide a grammar school and a school master paid by the residents.

1740

Boundary dispute settled. We became NH.

1766 –

The first record of a town meeting addressing the affairs of education occurred March 10, 1766 where 15 pounds of lawful money was allotted for the present year.

1773 – Nov. 1

Town voted to divide the town into 4 school

districts and divide the money equally.

1774 – September

Town voted to expend 16 pounds to be divided 4 ways for schooling but not for a building.

During the dark years of the REVOLUTION, there is no mention of money for schooling.

1785 - Sept. 1,

A committee of 3, was appointed to divide the town into nine school districts. Each district was to erect and maintain their own school.

1806 –

#5 School house was erected by residents of the district.

About 1810 –

The remaining 9 school houses were built by the residents of each district, making 10 district schools.

This division of the town remained the same until 1885.

1885 –

Hudson voted to adopt a single district whereby all school buildings were maintained and operated by a 3 member board. Hudson was one of the few towns to adopt this system before it became state law.

First Hudson school board elected by the town:

Kimball Webster

David O. Smith

Daniel Gage

1886 March-

Consolidation of districts 9 and 10. Town voted to purchase land and build a new schoolhouse near Jackson Greeley place on Derry Road (now Old Derry) to be called district 9.

1886 August 15

New #9 school destroyed by fire at the loss to the town and the builder. Opening delayed until second term.

1887

The new #9 was said to be one of the most convenient, pleasant and healthiest schools in the state. Old #9 taken down and #10 was sold.

1890

A new schoolhouse was built at district 2 near site of old building which had been sold. Cost to build \$1,200.

Schoolhouse at district 8 closed.