

Curiosity Corner

Treasures from the FCS Archives

Welcome to **Treasures from the FCS Archives**, a repository of resources for teachers and history enthusiasts! Every month, we are sharing photos, artifacts, documents and other treasures for you to review, discuss and discover. We encourage you to click the links, scan the photos and dig deeper into these treasures, all of which can be found in the Fulton County Schools Archives. Enjoy!

DECADES: YEARBOOKS FROM THE FCS ARCHIVES

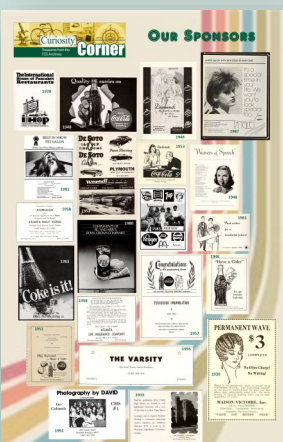


Pictured above: 1927 Fulton HS / 1985 Feldwood HS / 1971 Ridgeview HS / 2000 Tri-Cities HS / 1998 Westlake HS / 1958 Hapeville HS / 1969 College Park HS / 1941 Russell HS

Visit Our Special Edition:

[Decades: The Virtual Yearbook of Fulton County Schools, 1925-2009](#)

Curiosity in the Classroom: A Closer Look



Click on this image for a larger view of ads from FCS yearbooks through the decades. Ask students to look closely at the advertisements.

Ask students:

- What types of products are advertised?
- Are there products that are surprising to see in a high school yearbook?
- Are there products that would likely be advertised in a yearbook today?
- What do these ads and their details (i.e. price, description, image) tell you about the culture and times when these ads appeared in high school yearbooks?

After prompting student observations and curiosity, have students “flip” the pages of the [Virtual Yearbook of Fulton County Schools, 1925-2009](#).

Lesson Ideas & Links: Connecting to Standards

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Yearbooks. They are found everywhere from boxes stored in the attic to the National Museum of American History in Washington, DC. It is obvious why we cherish them so much. They are our individual memories—and our collective memory. And while they get their most use in the hours and days following their release (after which they are usually tucked away for safekeeping), we are now discovering new ways to look at these records of our past.

Yearbooks are useful and engaging historical artifacts from which we can learn about evolutions of technology, trends in fashion, architecture, social and cultural representation, and many of the universally significant events that shaped who we are.

This edition of *Curiosity Corner* features parts of the [Fulton County Schools Archives collection](#) of over 430 yearbooks, which document the lives of students, teachers, staff, and even the schools themselves. These are snapshots of our communities from 1925 to 2009. And they represent the hard [work of thousands of students and teachers](#) as well, who, over the span of nine and a half decades, documented not only us, but also the [history of how we look at ourselves](#).

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