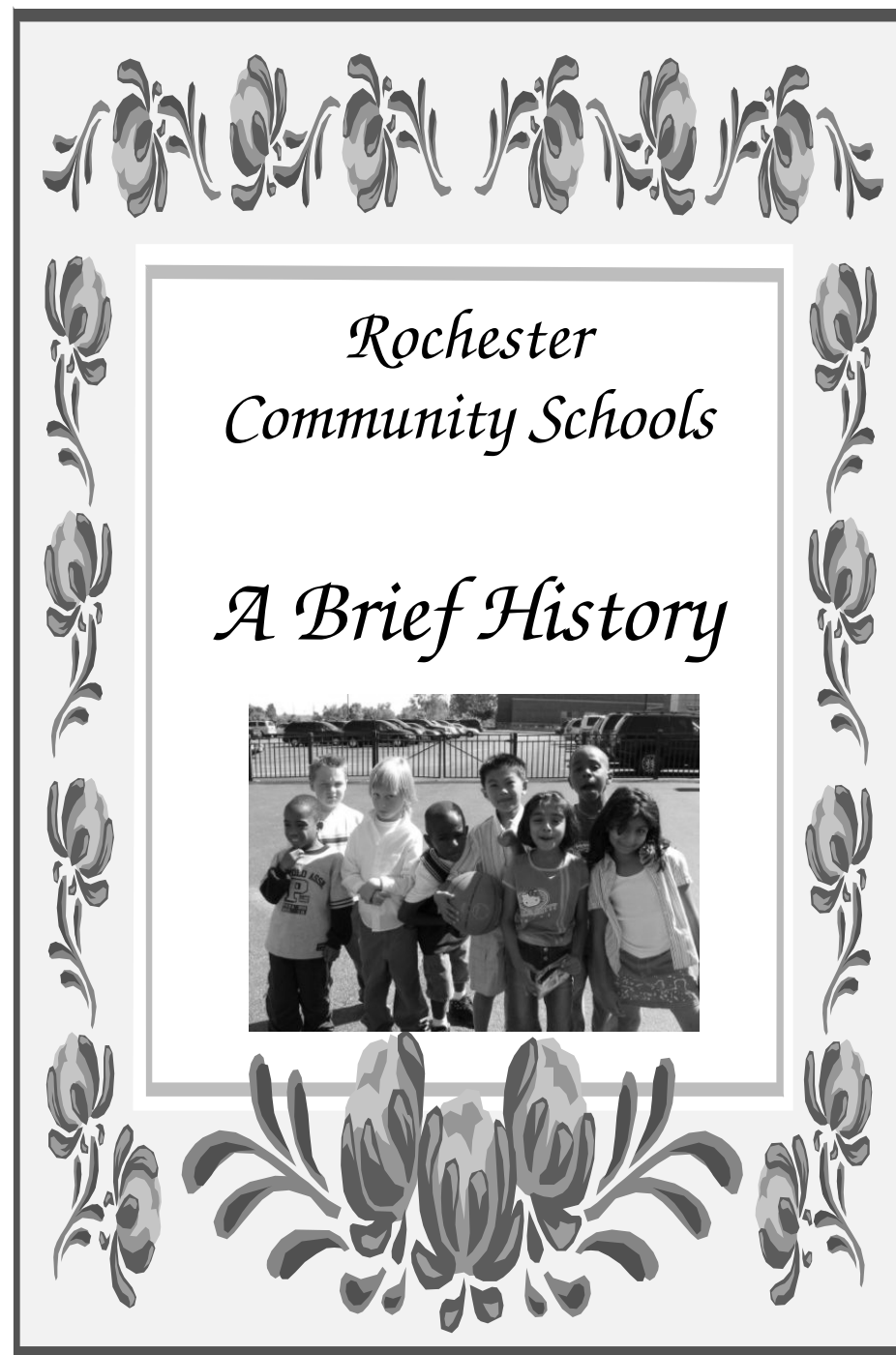


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- 2001 Adams High School renovations complete. Rochester High housed at Stoney Creek while RHS is renovated.
 - 2002 Delta Kelly Elementary built. West Middle School, McGregor and Long Meadow Elementary Schools renovated.
 - 2003 Stoney Creek High School opens as the third high school. Delta Kelly Elementary School opens as the thirteenth elementary. Limited renovations scheduled for Brewster, Hugger, Musson, and University Hills Elementary Schools. Full renovation and expansion of Meadow Brook and North Hill Elementary Schools. North Hill housed at Stoney Creek High School during renovations. McGregor Elementary rededicated May 15, 2003. North Hill Elementary reopens and is rededicated on September 5, 2003.
 - 2004 Bond 2004 approved by voters to provide technology upgrades, renovate and expand ACE, Reuther and Van Hoosen, install artificial turf fields at Adams, Rochester and Stoney Creek High Schools, and construct a new Support Service Center on Hamlin Road.
 - 2005 Dr. John M. Schultz retires after 22 years as Superintendent. Artificial turf fields installed at the three high school stadiums. Renovation started at ACE, Reuther and Van Hoosen, and construction begins at new Support Service Center. North Hill Elementary celebrates its 50th anniversary.
 - 2006 Mr. David Pruneau assumes the office of Superintendent in January 2006. ACE is rededicated on September 25th. New Facility Operations Center opens on Hamlin Road.
 - 2007 Renovation of Reuther and Van Hoosen Middle Schools completed in Fall 2007. New roofing to be installed over older sections of Rochester High School.



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Rochester Community Schools has a rich history that dates back to 1827. At that time, an Act was established that any township having 50 families must have a schoolmaster. It was generally assumed that three months of schooling was reasonable.

- 1889 Original school building on Fourth and Wilcox was built for \$8,000 and housed all grade levels.
- 1916 First building dedicated as a high school was built on the same site.
- 1920 Addition to the high school included the first gymnasium in Rochester.
- 1921 Woodward Elementary School was built. This building was closed in 1983 and became the center for the Older Persons Commission for many years. The school was demolished in the early 2000's and the site was developed for residential use.
- 1927 Baldwin Elementary School was built.
- 1928 Last addition to the building on Fourth and Wilcox (now named the Harrison School after a beloved custodian) which included a cafeteria and 16 classrooms.
- Avon School constructed (now known as ACE, Alternative Center for Education) costing \$32,000 for the two-story, four-room building.
- Avon District School #3 constructed, later known as Brooklands.
- 1929 Hamlin Elementary School was built as a two-room school building.
- 1931 First high school graduating class to have caps and gowns. The Depression was a difficult time for families in the area. Local dairies and grocers began providing milk and cookies for fifty undernourished children in grades 1-6. Classes for grades 1-5 were reduced to half-days, and no meals were being served in the cafeteria to reduce costs. In addition, teachers' salaries were cut rather than eliminating thirteen to fourteen educators. After World War II the baby boomers started attending school in massive numbers and there was an immediate need for additional educational space.
- 1954 North Hill Elementary School was constructed on land donated by Howard McGregor, Jr.
- 1955 The Avon School District No. 5 changed its name to "The Rochester Community School District."

- 1956 The new Rochester High School was built at University and Livernois.
- 1957 Meadow Brook Elementary School was built.
- 1960 McGregor Elementary School was built on land donated by Howard McGregor, Jr.
- 1961 The junior high housed at the Administration Center became known as Central Junior High.
- 1963 West Junior High School was built on Old Perch Road.
- 1967 Long Meadow Elementary School was built.
- 1970 Adams High School first opened its doors to students.
- 1973 University Hills Elementary was built off Avon Road.
- 1975 Reuther Junior High School and Van Hoosen Junior High School were built to accommodate growing enrollment.
- 1980 Brewster Elementary School opened.
- 1983 Woodward Elementary closed.
- 1987 Rochester Community Schools changes from junior high to Middle school model.
- 1988 Hugger Elementary School was built on Sheldon Road.
- 1989 Musson Elementary School opened on Dutton Road.
- 1990 Hart Middle School first opened its doors to students.
- 1993 Hampton Elementary School was built, a new Brooklands Elementary School was built behind the original school, and renovation and additions to Hamlin Elementary School. The old Brooklands now houses our Adult Education Program.
- 1994 Proposal A approved by voters, raising the state sales tax and changing school funding from local property taxes to a per-pupil allocation distributed by the State of Michigan.
- 1997 Voters approve High School Bond Issue to renovate Adams and Rochester High Schools and build a third high school.
- 2000 Bond 2000 approved by voters to build a Thirteenth elementary school, and renovate West Middle School and several elementaries. School attendance boundaries redrawn. Stoney Creek High School completed. Adams High School housed at Stoney Creek during renovations at AHS.