



The following is the finding aid for the Pio Nono High School collection located at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Archives. A finding aid is a catalog tool used in archives that briefly describes the material found in a collection. These records are not available digitally unless otherwise noted.
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Pio Nono High School (St. Francis, Wis.)
Records, 1882-1972
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Volume
4.5 cubic feet

Access
Open with the exception of the ledger containing "standings of pupils" and sacramental records which are restricted, requiring permission of the archivist.

Administrative Note

The following is a basic chronology of the history of Pio Nono Normal School

- 1865 Dr. Joseph Salzmänn received a gift of money from King Louis I of Bavaria for the education of Catholic teachers.
- 1870 Catholic Normal School of the Holy Family and Pio Nono College founded by Dr. Salzmänn. Established as an institution for the education of teachers.
- 1871 College Department opened. Students had two options: normal or teachers course; commercial or college course. Former course of study featured music. The Normal School was a starting point for a marked reform in church music.
- 1922-41 Pio Nono High School.
- 1941-65 Pio Nono was closed. Named for the Holy Family Classroom Building; Remodeled to house St. Francis Seminary's Preparatory/Minor Department.
- 1963-64 Buildings used by Madison Diocese Holy Name Seminary.
- 1965 Pio Nono High School reopens as a school for boys.
- 1970s Pio Nono and Don Bosco High Schools merged forming Thomas More on the site of old Pio Nono.

Scope and Content *a brief description of the types of materials in the collection.*

The series of general files contains: alumni records (1913-1972); a corporate minute book (1904-1934); a general journal (1930-1935); a volume of "maecenaship in subscription towards the teacher's seminary at St. Francis" (record of endowment, 1908-1923); a souvenir and address book (1898); and a number of miscellaneous files.

The library materials series consists of library catalogs of the Catholic Normal School and Pio Nono College (1894-1917) and a circulation record (1894-1911).

The series of organizations contains: Katholischen Lehrer Verein (Catholic Teachers' Society) records. Records from this organization are largely in German and consist of a constitution (1908) and meetings and clippings (1898-1916). This series also contains minutes (1895-1922) from the Dr. Salzmänn Literary and Debating Society. Records from the Musical Club of the Catholic Normal School include a music list (1907-1908). The Society of the Holy Family records contain a constitution (1912) and

minutes (1912). In 1912 this society became the Catholic Male Lay Teachers' Advancement Society of the U.S. Minutes (1912-1918) for this organization are found with the minutes for the Society of the Holy Family.

The series of catalogs (1882-1955) contains catalogs of the Catholic Normal School and Pio Nono College; several catalogs of St. Francis Minor Seminary are bound with the set.

The yearbook series (1920-1932, 1971) contains alumni books, The Pio Nonite Yearbooks, and a 1971 Spartan yearbook.

Box 11 contains oversized materials. This box contains a cash book (1930-1931); bound copies of the Pionomago (1935-1941), the Pio Nono High School student newspaper; and a scrapbook (1937-1940).

A ledger of "standings of pupils" (1917-1926) contains lists of students, courses, and grades.

The sacramental series contains a list of confirmations for 1933 and a sacramental register (1910-1954) for baptisms, first communions, confirmation, and burial from the Catholic Normal School and Pio Nono College.

Box and Folder List *This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders have been arranged alphabetically by series. "B" is an abbreviation for box and "F" is an abbreviation for folder. This list will help the researcher narrow down exactly what folder they want to look at.*

Box	Folder	Folder Title
<i>Series 1: General Files</i>		
B 1	F 1	Alumni, 1913-1972
B 1	F 2	Alumni, n.d. 1928-1929
B 1	F 3	Alumni Association - Statues, 1913
B 1	F 4	Alumni Report, 1915
B 1	F 5	Brochure, c.1970
B 11	F 1	Cash Book, 1930-1931
B 1	F 6	Class Rank, 1939-1941
B 1	F 7	Corporate Minute Book, 1904-1934
B 1	F 8	General Journal, July 1930-June 1935
B 2	F 1	Maecenasship in Subscription Toward the Teacher's Seminary at St. Francis, 1908-1923
B 2	F 2	Miscellaneous, 1969?
B 2	F 3	Newspaper Clippings, 1965
B 11	F 2	<i>Pionomago</i> , 1935-1941 (2 copies)
B 2	F 4	Program - The Masque & Gavel's "The Milky Way," 1941
B 2	F 5	Programs - Commencement, 1899, 1908
B 2	F 6	Programs - Dedication, 1968
B 11	F 3	Scrapbook, 1937-1940
B 2	F 7	Souvenir & Address Book, 1898
<i>Series 2: Library Materials</i>		
B 3	F 1	Library Catalogue of the Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1894-1904
B 3	F 2	Library Catalogue of the Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1894-1917

Box	Folder	Folder Title
B 3	F 3	Library Circulation, 1894-1911
<i>Series 3: Organization Records</i>		
B 4	F 1	Catholic Teachers' Society (Katholischen Lehrer-Verein) - Constitution, 1908
B 4	F 2	Catholic Teachers' Society of America - Meeting, 1907
B 4	F 3	Catholic Teachers' Society (Katholischen Lehrer-Verein) - Meetings & Clippings, 1898-1916
B 4	F 4	Catholic Teachers' Society (Katholischen Lehrer-Verein) - Meetings & Clippings, 1899-1916
B 5	F 1	Dr. Salzmänn Literary & Debating Society - Minutes, December 1895-May 1899
B 5	F 2	Dr. Salzmänn Literary & Debating Society - Minutes, September 1899-June 1901
B 5	F 3	Dr. Salzmänn Literary & Debating Society - Minutes, September 1901-June 1905
B 5	F 4	Dr. Salzmänn Literary & Debating Society - Minutes, n.d., 1909
B 5	F 5	Dr. Salzmänn Literary & Debating Society - Minutes, 1915-January 1922
B 5	F 6	Musical Club of Catholic Normal School - Music List, 1907-1908
B 5	F 7	Society of the Holy Family of St. Francis, Wisconsin - Constitution, 1912
B 5	F 8	Society of the Holy Family of St. Francis, Wisconsin - Minutes, 1912; Catholic Male Lay Teachers' Society - Minutes, 1913-1918
<i>Series 4: Catalogues</i>		
B 6	F 1	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1882-1895
B 6	F 2	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1895-1905
B 6	F 3	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1905-1918
B 6	F 4	Catalogues - Pio Nono Catholic Boarding and Day High School For Boys & St. Francis Minor Seminary, 1940-1955
B 7	F 1	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1885-1900
B 7	F 2	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1900-1915
B 7	F 3	Catalogues - Catholic Normal School & Pio Nono College, 1915-1930
<i>Series 5: Yearbooks</i>		
B 8		Year Books, 1920-1925
B 9		Year Books, 1926-1928
B 10		Year Books, 1929-1932
B 10		Year Book, 1971
<i>Series 6: Student and Sacramental Records *all restricted</i>		
B 11		Ledger: Standings of Pupils - Pio Nono College, 1917-1926
B 12	F 1	Confirmations, 1933, and Baptismal notices for some of those confirmed
B 12	F 2	Sacramental Register, 1910-1954
<i>Series 7: Student Ledger</i>		
B 13	F 1	Student Ledger, circa 1920, 1 of 3
B 13	F 2	Student Ledger, circa 1920, 2 of 3
B 13	F 3	Student Ledger, circa 1920, 3 of 3
B 13	F 4	Student Ledger, circa 1930, 1 of 2
B 13	F 5	Student Ledger, circa 1930, 2 of 2