



RUFFIN HIGH SCHOOL

(1918 – 1953)

All available evidence shows that this school acquired its name from the little town of Ruffin, and Ruffin perpetuates the name Ruff Edwards, an outstanding citizen of this community.

This school was first started in 1918 with the Reverend Isaac S. Myers as the first teacher, and who is personally responsible for its growth. Since that time the school has grown from a one-room building to the present plant consisting of eleven teachers.

Following is a list of the principals that are responsible for the development of the Ruffin High School since establishment: Rev. Issac S. Myers, James Riley, Elliott McMillan, John Felder, C. Hemmingway, Billy Moore, C. M. Richardson, Isaac McGraw, Samuel B. Marshall, W. Inabinett, Rev. James L. Summers and J. C. Greenlee.

We are proud to say, though ranking with other leading schools; Ruffin High School is growing continuously. This growth can be measured by the many improvements, which have been added to the school. Recent improvements, under the able leadership of our present principal, consist of the following: (1) Construction of a school cannery. (2) Community farm shop. (3) Annexation of two rooms to present plant. (4) Addition of three teachers. (5) Two school buses bring in children from other communities who otherwise would have been out of school.

The present faculty consist of the following: J.C. Greenlee, Principal and Agricultural Teacher; B. F. Barnhill, Assistant. Principal and Science Teacher; Nancy Spells, Teacher of Home Economics; Reva Hodges, Teacher and Basketball Coach; Odessa Stephens, English Teacher; Celesta Washington, Music Teacher; Ernestine Bowles, Elementary Teacher; Nora Greenlee, Elementary Teacher; Jannie B. Washington, Elementary Teacher; Margaret Jones, Elementary Teacher; and Lou Belle Moore, Elementary Teacher.