

Education Activities

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June 29	1872	Larkspur	A deed is recordewd from Morris Blodgett to the Directors of School District 15 for a small tract of land (NE 1/4, Sect 9, Twnsp 10S, Rng 67W) southwest of Larkspur for the first District 15 school.	Recorded deed, Arapahoe County records
March	1890	Larkspur	First Larkspur school (See circa 1884) was moved from the site on the Carr Lamb Ranch to the Larkspur town site on skids; the school was positioned next to the Santa Fe Depot and section house; the one acre of land for the school was donated by S. C. Stout, President of the Trust Company and an El Paso county cattle grower.	Larkspur Historical Society Website / Castle Rock Journal advertisement 6.26.1889; Castle Rock Journal , March 12, 1890; Ida May Noe Collection
May	1896	Larkspur	A 5 mill levy passed by voters for the construction of a new school at Larkspur. On September 2, 1896, the contract for building the school was let to Mr. Fletcher.	http://history.douglascountylibraries.org/timeline/index.php?func=items&a_id=3&nolimages=0 ; Levy information for Castle Rock Journal; Castle Rock Journal, May 13, 1896; Castle Rock Journal, Sept 10, 1896; Castle Rock Journal, September 2, 1896
August	1897	Larkspur	Bids for building a school on the south end of District 15 (Stone Canyon School)	Castle Rock Journal , August 7, 1897
February	1898	Larkspur	New Stone Canyon School has larger enrollment than Larkspur School.	Castle Rock Journal , February 4, 1898
Jan - Mar	1902	Larkspur	Larkspur School closed for almost two months because of scarlet fever...restarted on March 10. The post office had to be moved to the depot because of the quarantine of two children of Postmaster Ashby.	Castle Rock Journal , Jan 24, Jan 31 and March 7, 1902
November	1902	Larkspur	Larkspur School closed for a period of time because of diphtheria in the area; reopened December 9 after fumigation and Dr. Alexander, County physician, gave the school the okay.	Castle Rock Journal , November 28, 1902; Castle Rock Journal , Dec 12, 1902
August 3	1912	Larkspur	Larkspur school destroyed by tornado.	Larkspur Historical Society Website; Record Journal , August 9, 1912; Ida May Noe Historical Records Collection
November	1912	Larkspur	New school under construction in Larkspur - brick two-room, corner of Perry Park Avenue and Spruce Mountain Road.	Ida May Noe Historical Records Collection; Record Journal , November 8, 1912
	1913	Larkspur	New Larkspur brick school opens and twenty-three students are enrolled.	Record Journal , January 17, 1913
February	1921	Larkspur	Bill Blackmore and his son, Willie, dig a well at the school house.	Record Journal , January 14, 1921
November	1921	Larkspur	Grace Lamb of Larkspur assumes duties of County superintendent of schools.	Record Journal , November 4, 1921
July	1926	Larkspur	School Board of School District No. 15, Douglas County, Colorado announces reception of bids for erecting a one room brick addition, 33 X 45 feet, to the present school house ...According to one of the Larkspur residents of the time, Bonnie Bell, the addition was never built.	Record Journal , July 23, 1926; Interview with Bonnie Bell (Nee: Hammond)
	circa 1954	Larkspur	Sanutary plumbing is installed in the Larkspur School	Interview with Bonnie Bell (Nee: Hammond)
September	1972	Larkspur	New elementary school built in Larkspur at 1103 West Perry Park Avenue. The large bell tower bell was removed from the old brick school in Larkspur (1913-1972) and put in a bell tower at the new school site and was mounted on the new school building.	Colorado Western Development Collection. Douglas County Libraries; Interview with Bonnie Bell (Nee: Hammond)
April 22	1973	Larkspur	Opening of Larkspur Elementary	Fading Past , Susan Consola Appleby, 2001, p. 107/etal Notes p. 113
	1975	Larkspur	Robert Dookan purchased the Larkspur School (red brick school house) and used it as a nut packaging and distribution plant.	Interviews with Jennie, Berst, Betty Prince, Frank Garcilaso and Bonnie Bell
	circa 1981	Larkspur	Robert Dookan sold the Larkspur School House (red brick school house) to Jeffrey and Jessa Bell and the building was used as a residence and for Jeffrey Bell's photography business.	Interviews with Jennie, Berst, Betty Prince, Frank Garcilaso and Bonnie Bell;
	1999	Larkspur	Dave and Eilyn Gardner purchased the Larkspur School House building (red brick school house), using it as a day care and preschool center. After the day care and preschool closed, the Gardners remodeled the building and frontage into a business center property.	http://apps.douglas.co.us/apps/assessor/search/parcelDetails.do?propertyId=R0086692 ; Intrview with Ann Trueblood.

Present; The Red Brick School House Currently Serves as the Larkspur Community Post Office ZIP 80118