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**ABSTRACT:**

The Reynold Rehwaldt collection consists of an audiocassette and transcript of an oral history interview conducted between Rehwaldt and Gael Mericle during the autumn of 1983. In the interview, Rehwaldt discussed his experiences serving as the Superintendent of District #77 schools in the Mankato, Minnesota area. Specifically, he talked about his plan to reorganize the district by consolidating the area's three junior high schools into the Mankato East and Mankato West high schools in an attempt to save the district money. To fulfill his agenda, Rehwaldt formed a district-wide committee composed of a broad array of members from throughout the area. He believed the consolidation of schools could last until the mid-1990s when enrollment was predicted to decline.

This oral history interview was conducted as a requirement for a course entitled History of Education in American Culture at Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota.

**RESTRICTIONS:**

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**COLLECTION CITATION:**

This collection should be cited as:

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**ACQUISITION:**

R.J. Rehwaldt donated this collection in October 1983.

**PROCESSED BY:**

Gael Mericle transcribed the interview in November 1983.  
Jeff A. Jenson processed the collection and developed the finding aid in December 2002.  
Adam Smith made an addition to the collection guide in May 2019.

**OCLC AND RLIN:**

After checking the OCLC and RLIN national databases in December 2002, it has been determined that there are no similar manuscript collections about Reynold (Red) Rehwaldt available elsewhere.

**LCSH SUBJECT HEADINGS:**

Rehwaldt, Reynold John, 1930-2018 - interviewee.

Rehwaldt, Reynold John, 1930-2018 --Interviews.

Mericle, Gael, interviewee.

Educational change--Minnesota--Mankato.

School superintendents--Minnesota--Interviews.

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