These are records of the Green Ridge School near Climax Springs in western Camden County, Missouri. Among the records are minutes of meetings, annual enumerations of students and lists of taxpayers, teachers’ contracts, clerks’ reports to the county, rules and regulations, class registers, and classifications of students.

Green Ridge School District No. 2 was organized on 19 April 1892. H. N. Buchanan was elected chairman at the organizational meeting. The first order of business was to build a schoolhouse “as near the center of the District as a suitable building place can be found.” The school was ultimately located in Section 17, Township 38 North, Range 19 West. The site was on an acre of ground donated by Thomas J. Flippin on a ridge north of the Little Niangua River. Flippin also donated ground for the Green Ridge Church south of the schoolhouse site.

Volumes 1-5 are record books of the district clerks, 1892-1922. They include a map of the district, minutes of annual school meetings and of the board of directors, annual enumerations of children and their parents or guardians, lists of taxpayers, registers of warrants and district funds, registers of teachers, teachers’ contracts, term reports, rules and regulations, and oaths of school directors. There is a gap in the clerks’ records from 1907 to 1911.

Volumes 6 and 7 are teachers’ registers, separated by a chronological gap from 1903 to 1916. The earlier volume, 1898-1903, includes the names of students, attendance records, and lists of visitors. The later volume, 1916-1922, is a “Welch System” record book that combines records of attendance, classification, and grading, with comments on individual students and the classes as a whole. Volume 7 is OVERSIZE.

The Green Ridge School records were purchased at a flea market in Springfield, Missouri, and were given to the Ozarks Genealogical Society. The enumeration lists from the volumes were published in Volume 19 of the Society’s publication, Ozar’kin (Spring, Summer, and Fall 1997).
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