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NON-COMM-ED FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed APRIL 26, 1965

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Station location ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS

Name of licensee Trustees of Phillips Academy

(LED 4-26-65)

Transmitter location Evans Hall, Science Building, Highland Road, Andover, Massachusetts

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Evans Hall, Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts (BRCED 1-17-69)
(LED 4-26-65)

Main studio location X Evans Hall, Science Building, Highland Road, Andover, Massachusetts.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPED-631 HAAT:--	10/21/64	91.7	TPO:10w ERP:--	Unl.	12/21/64 6/21/65
	CP for a new Non-Comm-Ed. broadcast station.				
BLED-475	4-26-65	91.7mc CH 219	TPO: 10w	Unl	4-16 4-1-66
	Lic. to cover CP(BPED-631) for new n n-comm Ed. FM b/c station.				
BRED-289	3-25-66	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-69
BRCED-70(1)	1-17-69	Operate RC.			
BRED-289(L)	3-26-69	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-72
BRED-289(S)	3-30-72	Renewal of License			4-1-75
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRED-289(S)	3-31-75	Renewal of License			4-1-78
BRED-289	4-26-78	(L) REN OF LIC.			4-1-81

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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new Non-Com FM

Name TRUSTEES OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Andover, Massachusetts (P.O. c/o Dr. Phillip M. Dubois, 61 Highland Rd., Andover, Mass

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPED-631 Rec'd Filed	7-24-64 7-31-64 7-31-64	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 91.7mc CH 219 TPO: 10 watts Type transmitter: RCA BTE-10C Type antenna: RCA BFA-1A Transmitter loc.: Evans Hall Science Bldg., Highland Road, Andover, Mass. Studio Loc.: Same as transmitter	GRANTED	10/21/64
BLED-475 R&F	3-13-65 3-15-65	License to cover CP (BPED-631) which authorized a new non-commercial educational FM broadcast station.	GRANTED	4-26-65
BRED-289 R&F	1-21-66 2-9-66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-25-66

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name TRUSTEES OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Andover, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCED-70 Rec'd Resub. R & F JAN 21 1969	12-1-68 11-29-68 1-10-69 1-14-69	Modification of license to change studio location to Evans Hall, Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.	~~Withdrawn~~ ~~Rec'd prior to date of application.~~ GRANTED	~~1-6-69~~ 1-17-69
BRED-289 R & F No Fee Requ. PRESS JAN 2 - 1969	12-15-68 12-18-68	Renewal of license AMENDED 1-15-69 re: Programming statement	GRANTED	3-26-69
BRED-289 R & F PN PRESS JAN 3 1972	12-16-71 12-21-71 12-21-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-30-72
BRED-289 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-25-74 11-27-74 " JAN 28 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-31-75

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Name TRUSTEES OF PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Andover, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRED-289 R & F PN PRESS	11-28-77 12-1-77 DEC 27 1977	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-26-78
791226BH		CP incr powr to 25 watts HAAT: 211'		
BRED 801128 PRESS	VD DEC 18 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	ISSUED	330

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About the History Cards …

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.