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Form BC 126 #139  
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-29-71

Call letters WESS

Station location E. Stroudsburg, Pa

Name of licensee BOARD OF TRUSTEES-STUDENT ACTIVITY ASSOCIATION,  
EAST STROUDSBURG STATE COLLEGE,

Transmitter location Hawthorne <sup>Hall</sup> Derm, NW corner of Normal and Isabella Sts.,  
E. Stroudsburg, Pa. (PED-2-26-70)

18301  
Main studio location Shawnee Hall Southern corner Normal and Isabella Sts, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.  
(PED-2-26-70)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-1064 HAAT: - - -'	2-26-70	88.7mcs Ch#204	ERP: - - TPO: 10watts	(RC)	10-26-70
CP FOR NEW STATION					
BPED-747 (1)	10-20-70	MP(BPED-1064) ext time			12-26-70
BPED-1,211 HAAT: - - -'	1-18-71	88.7mc Ch#204	ERP: - - TPO: 10watts		3-18 1-18-72
CP to replace expired permit(BPED-1064 as modified).					
BPED-1,064 (2)	2-17-71	Call Letters Assigned			
BLED-868	3-29-71	Lic(BPED-1,211, as mod.) Educ. B/c Sta.			for new FM 8-1-72
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRED-489(S)	7-31-72	RENEWAL			8-1-75
BPED-1831 HAAT: - - - - (L)	10-23-74	90.3mhz Ch. #212	ERP: - - - - TPO: 10 Watts	U	10-23-75
CP to change frequency. (RC)					
Comlet	8-8-75	Cease operation. Renewal not filed.			
COMTEL	10-1-75	Authority resume operation under terms BLED-868. Call letters WESS REINSTATED.			
BRED-489(S)	1-12-76	RENEWAL			8-1-78
BLED-1444(L)	3-12-76	Lic.(BPED-1831)-Changes.			8-1-78
BRED-489 (S)	4-16-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-81
BPED791226CC HAAT: -165'(h&v) (L)	2-12-81	90.3mhz	ERP: 1.0kw(h&v)		2-12-82
CP to incre ERP.; HAAT.					

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

W E S S  
- Unassigned

Call Letters ~~NEW-EDUC-FM~~

Board of Trustees-Student Activity Association,  
East Stroudsburg State College

Name X The Student Activity Association of the East Stroudsburg State College  
E. Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania (PO WESS Radio, Box 198, E. Stroudsburg, Penna. 18301)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,064 Rec'd: Filed NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: PN REC'd:	8-25-69 8-28-69 9-24-69 JAN 14 1970	CP for New Educ. FM on: <del>91.5mc. #218</del> TPO: 10watts Trans: Gates-BFE-10C; Ant: Gates-FM-22, 2 sects. TL: Hawthorn Dorm, N.W. Corner of Normal and Isabella Sts., E. Stroudsburg, Penna. 40° 59' 50" - 75° 10' 22" SL: & RC: Shawnee Hall, Southern Corner, Normal & Esabella Sts., E. Stroudsburg, Penna.	GRANTED	2-26-70
Amend filed	9-24-69	change frequency to 88.7mc. #204.		
Amend filed	12-22-69	change name of Applicant		
BMPED-747 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: OCT 12 1970	9-30-70 10-5-70	MP (BPED-1064) ext. time to 12-26-70 (New Station)	GRANTED	10-20-70
BLED- Rec'd.	12-28-70 12-30-70	Lic. cover CP (BPED-1064 as mod) for new stn.	RETURNED CP expired.	12-30-70

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W E S S  
~~UNASSIGNED~~Board of Trustees-Student Activity Association,  
Name East..Stroudsburg..State..College.....  
E. Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,211 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: 13 JAN 1971	1-4-71 1-6-71	Construction Permit to replace expired permit (BPED-1064 as modified).  Atty-None.	GRANTED	1-18-71
BLED-868 Rec'd PTA PRESS MAR 3 Amended	1-26-71 1-28-71 2-10-71 1971 3-15-71	Lic. (BPED-1,211, as mod.) for <u>new</u> FM Educ. Broadcast Station.  re: Section VI	GRANTED	3-29-71
BRED-489 R & F PN PRESS MAY 11 1972	5-1-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal License	GRANTED	7-31-72

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September 1969

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W E S S

Name Board of Trustees-Student Activity Association, East Stroudsburg State College  
E. Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,831 R & F No Fee Required Press P. N. Rec'd	2-19-74 5-20-74 JUN 28 1974 10-11-74	Construction permit to change frequency to: 90.3mhz #212.	GRANTED COND'L	10-23-74
BLED- <del>1831</del> Rec'd	3-11-75 8-8-75	Lic.(BPED-1831)-Changes.	RETURNED-LIC. EXPIRED. 8-1-75-RENEWAL NOT FILED	
BRED-489 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	9-26-75 9-29-75 OCT 6 1975	LICENSE to operate on 88.7 mcs; 10 watts.	GRANTED	1-12-76
BLED- <del>1831</del> Rec'd LTD PTA Amended & F PTA Ext. PRESS	4-29-75 5-7-75 5-14-75 9-29-75 10-14-75 NOV 10 1975	Lic.(BPED-1831)-Changes.  New 3/4 - add'l engr. data	GRANTED	3-12-76

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90.3mhz

Form BC-121

May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W E S S

8-71

BOARD OF TRUSTEES-STUDENT ACTIVITY ASSOCIATION,

Name EAST STROUDSBURG STATE COLLEGEEAST STROUDSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-489 R & F PRESS	6-19-78 7-5-78 JUL 18 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-16-79
SPED791226CQ ACCEPTED		CP incr ERP: 1kw HAAT: minus 164'	GRANTED COND'L	2-12-81
PN RECD. AUG 22 '80	5-12-80	CUT OFF		
Amended	1-14-81	EXHIBIT 10		
Amended	1-23-81	EXHIBIT 10		
BRED810804UA PRESS AUG 14 1981		License to Operate on: 90.3MHz, TPO: 10 watts		

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

