

WRFT

BC-126
June 1975

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUC FM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

OFFICIAL NO. 996
Date first licensed 7-18-78

Call letters W R F T

Station location Indianapolis, In

Name of licensee FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Transmitter location 6215 South Franklin Road, Indianapolis, Indiana {PED 8-27-76}

Main studio location 6215 S. Franklin Road, Indianapolis, Indiana {PED 8-27-76}

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time	Period
				Div.	From To
BPED-2228 {L}	8-27-76	91.5MHz	TPO: 10 watts U ch. 218 Class-D		8-27-77
			CP for NEW FM EDUC Station		
BPED-2228{1} EBSA	1-3-77		Call letters	assigned	
BMPED-1514(2)	9-13-77		MP(BPED-2228)ext	time to	2-27-78
BPED-2632 HAAT: --- (L)	4-3-78	91.5mhz. #218	ERP:--TPO: 10w U		9-15-78
			CP replace expired permit (BPED-2228, as mod)		
BLED-1780 HAAT: --	7-18-78	91.5MHz #218	ERP:-- TPO: 10 watts U		8-1-79
			Lic. (BPED-2632, as reinstated) for New Station.		
BRED790326AE(S)	7-18-79		Renewal of License		8-1-82
BPED790815AE HAAT: 180' (H&V) (L)	7-3-80	91.5mhz	ERP: .13kW (H&V)		7-3-81
			CP to mke chgs. in ant sys, ERP, HAAT		
BLED-810326AD HAAT: 180' (H&V) (L)	7-15-81	91.5mHz	ERP: 0.13kW (H&V)		8-1-82
			License to cover (BPED-790815AE) for changes.		

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **W R F T**
Letters **XNEW-EDUC-FM**

Name Franklin Township Community School Corporation
Indianapolis, Indiana (PO %Robert L. Mason, 6141 South Franklin Road, Indianapolis,

Indiana 46259)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2228	3-17-76	CP for New Educ. FM on: 91.5mhz #218	GRANTED COND'L	8-27-76
R & F	3-24-76	TPD: 10 Watts		
No Fee Required	MAY 3 1976	Trans: McMartin B910T; Ant: Phelps-Dodge		
Press		EFMC-6, 6 sects. (H&V)		
P. N. Rec'd	4-12-76	TL_SL: 6215 South Franklin Road, Indianapolis, Indiana		
		39° 40' 39" - 86° 00' 58"		
		Atty:-----		
		Engr: Donald F. Volkman (Richmond, Indiana)		
BMPEd-1514	7-26-77	MP{BPED-2228} ext time to 2-27-78	GRANTED TO	9-13-77 2-27-78
R & F	7-29-77	New Station		
PRESS	AUG 10 1977	Atty. ---		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
LettersW.R.F.T.....

NameFRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
Indianapolis, Indiana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-2632 R & F PRESS:	3-3-78 3-7-78 MAR 14 1978	CP to replace expired permit (BPED-2228, as mod) (NEW STATION) Atty: ----	GRANTED COND'L	4-3-78
BLED-1780 R & F PTA: PRESS:	5-5-78 5-8-78 5-18-78 JUN 13 1978	License (BPED-2632, as reinstated) for New Station. Trans: Versa-Count V-322 Atty: ---	GRANTED	7-18-78
BRED 790326 UX PRESS JUN 7 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-18-79
BPED780815AE ACCEPTED CUT OFF PN RECD.	3-20-80 5-19-80 2-27-80	CP to make chgs. in antenna system; chg. ERP : .13kW; HAAT: 178'	GRANTED Cond'l	7-3-80

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WRFT

Name: FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Station Location: INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLED-810326AD PTA PRESS	APR 9 1981	License to cover (BPED-790815AE) for changes. Atty: —	GRANTED 7-15-81

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.

