

# Guide to the Dr. James LaBuda oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

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**Contributor:** Public School Principalship Oral History Project

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**Abstract:** Oral history interview with Dr. James LaBuda conducted by

Rhonda Calvo on November 08, 2004 for the Public School Principalship Oral History Project. In this interview, LaBuda reflects upon his more than 20-year career as an elementary and junior high school teacher and administrator with the Clark County School District (CCSD) from the 1980s to the 2000s. He describes the process by which he became a teacher, and eventually a principal, as well as some of the challenges that he faced at different schools. He discusses challenges surrounding cultural diversity, standardized testing, and the 1988 PEPCON explosion. He reflects upon his training that he believes was the most beneficial for his principalship, discusses his approach to educational leadership, and describes expectations that

successful principals would commonly face.

### **Preferred Citation**

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## **Scope and Contents Note**

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## **Processing Note**

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- School principals
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