

In 1980, the WCJVS began drilling an oil well on school property to help with energy costs.

A pond was constructed in the wooded area west of the school by the Ohio National Guard.

The school installed an internal telephone system for use by business students.

Central Supply was established to order program materials for employees. It stocked office supplies and often-used supplies and hardware for many of the trade programs.

The first Wayne County Junior Achievement office was housed at Career Center in 1981.

In 1982, The WCJVS board adopted a Title IX Policy of non-discrimination to staff and students.

Cable television was first installed at WCJVS that same year.

In the business department, the school bought the first word processor from Dictaphone Corporation, and Radio Shack was awarded the bid for the micro-computer laboratory.

The first Summer Computer Camp followed, teaching school age children the basics of computers and computer programming.

A major change came in 1984, when the WCJVS changed its name to the Wayne County Schools Career Center. That year, the school installed a new sloped roof.

In 1983, a staff member was selected as one of 12 finalists in the Ohio Teacher in Space Recognition program. The school added a GRADS (Graduates, Reality and Dual Skills) program to help keep in school students who were about to become parents. This was also the first year the school received Federal Carl D. Perkins funds to help fund vocational education.

After the 1986 tragedy of the Space Shuttle Challenger, the WCSCC renamed the library the McAuliffe-Resnik Learning Resource Center.

Also in 1986, the WCJVS board adopted a Career Education program to assist all Wayne County schools with career development.

That year, the school received a \$100,000 grant for a new mainframe computer.

The Career Center received its first charter for a National Honor Society chapter in 1986.

In 1987, a 1 Mill, five-year operating levy was approved by voters by a margin of 3,540 to 3,534, only six votes.

Hal Fulton began the Distinguished Alumni program to honor successful graduates.

In 1988, the board approved adding a SADD chapter for Students Against Drunk Driving. They also adopted plans for Food Processing building behind F-wing.

The Option 4 program was initiated in 1989 to assist students with learning disabilities.

On December 4, 1989, the board held a Bond Burning ceremony as part of its 20th year celebration. The \$1,955,000 bond which financed the school's construction was 23 years old. What cost less than \$2 million in 1967 was worth at least \$16 million in 1989, said Superintendent William Zwick. Many "founding fathers" participated in the bond burning ceremony.