

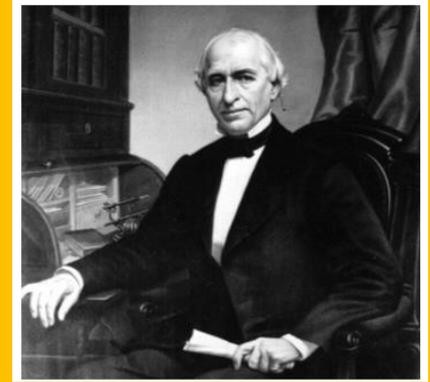
Yeatman-Liddell College Preparatory Middle School History



An industrialist and founder of the Merchants' Bank.

He founded the Mercantile Library in 1846,

1850s Yeatman was inspired by a teacher of the blind named Eli W. Whelan to found the Missouri Institute for the Education of the Blind. In 1853, along with Dr. William Greenleaf Eliot, he founded Washington University in St. Louis. Yeatman founded and became president in 1859 of the St. Louis Philharmonic Society.



Founder (of)
Yeatman-Liddell

James E. Yeatman

Born on August 27,
1818, in Bedford
County, Tennessee.

Integrating "Liddell"



Black History Movement

Craton Liddell (b. January 3, 1959—
December 06, 2002) was a young
student that attended four schools in
five years due to racial tension and
overcrowding.

Minnie Liddell (mother, 1939-2004) grew tired and frustrated for all her children and decided to fight back. On February 18, 1972, Liddell and several other parents filed a class-action lawsuit cited as Liddell v. Saint Louis Board of Education.

The 1972 lawsuit paved the way as one of the largest desegregation lawsuits in American history. As Craton got older, he made it his life's mission to give back to the students that came after him to continue the fight to improve the city of Saint Louis' education system. His mission was cut short when he passed away on December 6, 2002. Yeatman-Liddell Middle School was renamed in his honor a short time thereafter.