

# Partnerships with two-year colleges are not new for Adelphi.

THE  
MILLS SCHOOL



Mills School and Adelphi alumna Ruth S. Ammon '42

*Ruth S. Ammon '42, for whom the School of Education is named, benefited from a highly successful partnership with the Mills School, a Manhattan-based private school that offered a two-year curriculum in early childhood education.*

Through the Adelphi-Mills partnership, established in 1938, students could pursue a four-year program leading to a baccalaureate degree. Students in the program took their advanced courses with Adelphi College faculty who taught in Manhattan. Graduates earned a B.S. degree in education from Adelphi and a diploma from the Mills School entitling them to state licenses to teach nursery, kindergarten, and primary grades. The Mills program was a popular one, preparing many of the early childhood teachers in the New York City area.

Alumna Ruth S. Ammon had a long and successful career as a second-grade teacher. She even taught her daughter, **Carol A. Ammon M.B.A. '79**, who called her mother an inspiration. Carol Ammon continued her mother's legacy of commitment to education last spring when her \$8.5 million gift to Adelphi established the University's first endowed faculty chair in early childhood education. The generous and historic gift will also fund undergraduate and graduate scholarships for education students and campus enhancements.

A fellow Mills program graduate, **Kathryn Stern Hirsch '43, M.A. '70** describes her education in the program as "absolutely first rate." Prominent in the early childhood education field, Ms. Hirsch held numerous consultancies and directorships and taught at Pace University. Among her professors, she particularly recalls Agnes Snyder, a nationally recognized educator, who later became chairman of the Department of Education at the Garden City campus and later dean of Adelphi's Suffolk County campus (now Dowling College).

Ms. Hirsch notes that at the beginning of the semester, students were "scared to death" of Dr. Snyder, but as the term progressed, they came to realize what a wonderful and caring teacher she was.

Today, Adelphi's extensive partnerships with two-year colleges are affording new career opportunities for ambitious students. ■

— **EUGENE T. NEELY**,  
University Archivist and  
Special Collections Librarian

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articles, and excerpts,  
circa 1948-1949

## A SATISFYING PROFESSION



Preparation for teaching children in nursery school, kindergarten, and primary grades is given by the following schools:

ANN-RENO INSTITUTE, 32 West 84th Street, New York City  
CHILD EDUCATION FOUNDATION, 521 E. 84th St., New York City  
MILLS SCHOOL, 44 Fifth Avenue, New York City

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Financial assistance is available for a limited number of students through scholarships. Free and reduced cost tuition are granted to students who are admitted to the school on the basis of scholastic, financial need, and personality. An application form should apply for this help before the physically able to receive the additional work which this will need.

First and fourth-year students are eligible for financial assistance through the Board of Trustees to enable them to complete their work who single children are eligible to do so. These advantages are granted on a basis of merit and need for good work during the first and second year of teaching. All requests for financial aid should be made by written application, and addressed to the Scholarship Committee.



Students enjoy themselves while working on construction and arithmetic.



Each girl is required to complete a certain amount of work in the first year of her work. It is possible also to complete the work in the first year of her work. It is possible also to complete the work in the first year of her work. It is possible also to complete the work in the first year of her work.



Faculty-student planning. Under the direction of the advisor, the student is given a broad program of study. The student is given a broad program of study. The student is given a broad program of study. The student is given a broad program of study.



Students interested in their own work. The student is given a broad program of study. The student is given a broad program of study. The student is given a broad program of study.



MORE THAN A QUARTER-CENTURY OF EXCEPTIONAL TEACHER TRAINING FOR NURSERY, KINDERGARTEN and PRIMARY GRADES. The Mills School, founded in 1892, is the only private school in the metropolitan area devoted exclusively to the training of nursery, kindergarten and primary teachers whose lines of study lead to state certification and also to the Bachelor's degree.



DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL. The Mills School's modern curriculum includes a wide variety of cultural courses instructed by teachers who are themselves well-trained in education. They are well-trained in education.