

## Oakley School

**Location:** S20/T1/R4E

**Funds:** \$124

**School District:** 75

**Teacher in 1923:** None, Summer Term

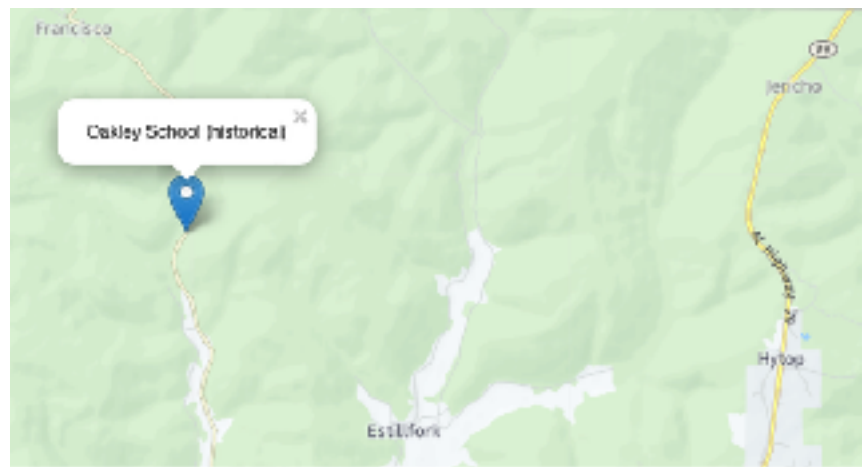
**Trustee in 1923:** N. B. Jacks

**Teacher in 1939:** None Found

**Location:** Francisco/Estillfork

**Latitude:** 34.9464757

**Longitude:** -86.2222078



1908-1923 One teacher  
Consolidated with Princeton.

Oakley became a community in 1896 when a new postoffice was opened, and ceased to be community about 1925 when the place name disappeared from the newspaper. There was an active public school located in a church building built in 1899. In 1905, there were 29 pupils in the school. Teachers in clued Wann Langton (1905), Amma Moore (1906), Prof. Whaley (1907), Martha Hill (1911), Prof., Wilson (1923), and Neil Smith (1925).

Clearly the church and the school house are the same building. See April 1909 post.

**Jan 23, 1896 SC:** "A new postoffice, called Oakley, half way between Francisco and Larkin, has been established. Jas C. Hughes has been appointed postmaster.

**Sep 22 1898 PA:** J. C. Hughes, late postmaster at Oakley, has resigned and is preparing to move to Sand Mountain. Hollis Summerell has been appointed to the position.

**Oct 12, 1899 PA:** "The people of Oakley neighborhood are preparing to build a new church and school house."

**May 11, 1905 PA:** "Wann Langston will teach the public school at the Oakley school house."

**June 29, 1905 PA:** "School opened at the Oakley school house on the 19th inst. with 29 pupils enrolled, under the management of Prof. Wann Langston, which is a very good attendance for the beginning, as no one is done work in their crops."

**Jul 20, 1905 PA:** "Prof. Clark of the Winchester Normal School delivered a very interesting and instructive address on the subject of education to a house full of hearers at the Oakley school house last Monday....Wann Langston purchased a new typewriter."

**Oct 11, 1906 PA:** "Miss Amma Moore, of Henagar, who has been teaching at the Oakley school house since July the 9th, closed out her school on the 4th inst. on account of so much wet water and high waters which prevented both teacher and students from getting to the school house,"

**Jun 27, 1907 PA:** "Prof Whaley, of Birmingham, is teaching at the Oakley school house."

**Jul 18, 1907 PA:** Miss Amma Moore, who is teaching at the Oakley school spent, spent Saturday night and Sunday as the guest of Miss Flora Kennedy."

**Apr. 22, 1909 PA:** “A little child of Mr. and Mrs. Jn. Green narrowly escaped drowning at the Oakley school house Sunday. During the preaching service the little fellow about two years old wandered out of the house to the branch near the house and fell into the water, upon being notified by another child of the accident, his mother rushed out and rescued the little fellow just in time to save him from drowning....Rev. James Davis of Princeton preached at the Oakley school house Sunday.”

**Nov 9, 1911 PA:** “Miss Martha Hill, of this place, closed out a six months school last Friday at the Oakley school house. Miss Hill taught a splendid school and gave good satisfaction in the management of her school and in the advancement of her students.”

**Sep 12, 1912 PA:** An ice cream supper was held at Oakley school building the proceeds of which will be used for repairing the school building. Francisco and Oakley teams crossed bats and the Francisco boys won 14 to 6.

**Jul 5, 1923 PA:** “The summer term of the public school at Oakley school house started last Monday under the care of Prof. Wilson, who taught at the same place last year.”

**Jul 20, 1925 PA:** “Neil Smith of Paint Rock is now teaching school at the Oakley school house.”

This is the last reference to Oakley as a community name found in the local papers.