

**Finding Aid for the Office of the
President, Youngstown State University,
Leslie H. Cochran
Records, 1992-2000**



RG 04/05

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Descriptive Summary

- Title:** Office of the President, Youngstown State University, Leslie H. Cochran, Records, 1992-2000
- Record Group No.** RG 04/05
- Creator:** Youngstown State University. Office of the President
- Extent:** 1.5 cubic feet (1 box)
- Abstract:** This collection contains documents and publications relating to the presidency of Leslie H. Cochran, Ed.D. Dr. Cochran served Youngstown State University in this capacity from 1992 to 2000.

Administrative Information

- Provenance:** Unknown
- Preferred Citation:** Youngstown State University, Office of the President, Leslie H. Cochran, Records, 1992-2000, RG 04/5, Archives & Special Collections, William F. Maag, Jr. Library, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio.
- Restrictions:** None
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Biographical Information

Leslie H. Cochran was born on April 24, 1939. He was awarded his Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees from Western Michigan University in 1961 and 1962, respectively. Cochran earned his Doctorate in Education from Wayne State University in 1968.

For ten years, Cochran served in a variety of administrative roles at Central Michigan University, including that of Vice Provost for Academic Administration. In 1980, he was appointed Provost at Southeast Missouri State University, a position he held until his appointment as YSU President in 1992.

During his presidency, Cochran initiated Campus 2000 (later renamed YSU 2000), an ambitious design for campus expansion and academic excellence. His legacies include a university scholars program, a new college of education building, and the YSU Metro Campus (an off-campus outreach program).

Cochran retired in 2000.

Scope and Content

At present, the collection is small; however, as related materials come to light, it is expected that it will grow. Included are the following:

- Cochran's philosophy of labor relations, through his publication, *Continuous Improvement Bargaining* (1993)
- Cochran's annual holiday greetings to the YSU Staff (1994 - 1999)
- The publication, *YSU 2000: A Vision for a Premier Metropolitan University*, which describes Cochran's view to the future at YSU (1994).

Series Description

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Related Materials

See also: Youngstown State University, Office of the President, Neil H. Humphrey, Records
Youngstown State University, Office of the President, David C. Sweet, Records

Index Terms

Cochran, Leslie H.
Labor unions
Campus renewal
University administrators
University presidents
Youngstown State University

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8. Announcement, "A Tribute... to Les and Lin Cochran," 2000
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13. Continuous Improvement Bargaining, 1993
14. List of Members, Youngstown State University Board of Trustees, 1989-1990
15. Mount Union College. Task Force on Campus Computer and Communications Technology, 1993 and undated
16. Youngstown State University: Organizational Structure, 1993
17. Peer Review of Computer Facilities, 1993
18. Proposal for a Campus-wide Computer Network, 1991-1992
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