

# Dr. Donald C. Thompson

---

*Class of 1933*



Pennsylvania school administrator Dr. Donald Thompson was superintendent of the Upper Perkiomen School District. Prior to 1966, he was supervising principal for the Albion Borough, Albion Area and Northwestern School Districts in Erie County for 25 years.

For seven years he taught science and math in Fredonia-Delaware and Penn High Schools in Mercer County. On the state level, Thompson was past president of the Pennsylvania Association of Supervising Principals and the Phi Delta Kappa honorary fraternity. Also, he was legislative chairman for the Pennsylvania Association of Chief School Administrators and a director of the state's Educational Research Association. He was honored by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association and the Pennsylvania State University School Study Council in 1962 as "Pennsylvania School Administrator of the Year."

In the community, he was active in scouting and the Montgomery County Opportunity Board. In 1965, he received the Continental District Service Award in scouting. He led local Red Cross and hospital fund drives.

Thompson authored *Formation of Union and Merged School Districts in Pennsylvania* and *Today and Tomorrow in Pennsylvania Schools*. He served during World War II in the South Pacific as a U.S. Navy officer.

Thompson retired from Upper Perkiomen School District in 1974.

He passed away Oct. 23, 1992.

*Additional degrees: Master's degree and doctoral degree in education, The Pennsylvania State University*