



SCIENCE HILL

On February 14, 1867, Tipton Jobe donated this property to the Science Hill Literary Society for the construction of a two-story brick school house, the Science Hill Male and Female Institute. The school – the first public building in Johnson City – was dedicated on October 27, 1867, and was opened for the instruction of students on August 24, 1868.



Science Hill High School. The monument in the foreground was erected by the Tennessee Daughters of the American Revolution in 1930 to commemorate Daniel Boone's explorations from North Carolina to Kentucky during the 1760s.

Members of the Science Hill Male and Female Institute's Graduating Class of 1903. The class included Bertha Burgess, Nell Carr, Ollie Crowell, Bessie Chinouth, Marion Friberg, Robert Gammon, Mabel Gildersleeve, Mary Gildersleeve, Jennie Hatcher, Floyd Henderson, Marion Johnson, Sadye Malone, Guy Sabin, and Mrs. Horace Burleson. (Mrs. Burleson's maiden name is not known.)



Science Hill High School, which opened in the fall of 1914, replaced the Institute. A new Science Hill High School was erected north of this location in 1961. The old school was then demolished so that a new public library could be built. The Science Hill Male and Female Institute and Science Hill High School were whites-only schools. Johnson City's school system was integrated in 1964.