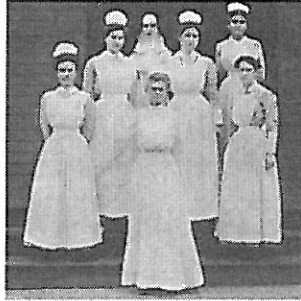


Mercy School of Nursing

The school of nursing has graduated 2,325 nurses since opening on February 26, 1906. The first class of four students graduated in 1908 and included Mother Mary Bride McGrath. Mother Bride served as Mercy School of Nursing Superintendent from 1915-1918.



Some of the most notable symbols of nursing include the uniform, cap, pin, and ring. Mercy School of Nursing has seen changes over the years in these symbols.

The first nursing pin was designed in 1918 by Sister Mary Delores representing a Mariner's Wheel. Sister Mary Julianna created the second design in 1922 while she was superintendent of the nursing school. The pin was circular with a cross in the center and the word Fidelis across it. In 1955, the wording on the pin was changed to Mercy School of Nursing. This is the style of pin currently in use. The school emblem is a replica of this pin.

