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An Interview with Carl Cottingham

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Carl Cottingham discusses the history of John A. Logan College, beginning in 1968. He was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library's *Education is Key-Community College* Oral History project.

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Carl Cottingham was born in Hamilton County, Illinois in 1940. He graduated from Mcleansboro Township High School in 1958. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. After earning his bachelor's degree, he returned to Mcleansboro High School, serving three years as the librarian. He then took a position as director of instructional resources for three years. In 1968, he joined the faculty of John A. Logan College, a brand-new school. He served there as dean of learning resources from 1968 to 1998. He also did classroom instruction and at the time of the interview still taught an educational psychology class.

Subject Headings/Key Words: History of John A. Logan College (1968 to 2013); the role of the learning resource center at a community college; selection of the campus site and its name; building construction and the downtown campus; beginning a new community college.

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