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Artist **Various Artists**
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School Is Out!**
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- **School is out - finally! After 'School Is In!' (BCD17668) here is the second part of school memories on Bear Family Records®, dedicated to the time off after school.**
- **Stylistically, we provide the appropriate soundtrack with doo-wop, rhythm and blues, rockabilly and schmaltzy ballads.**
- **Including Miss Georgia with *Rockin' After School*, Connie Francis' *V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N*, Chuck Berry and *Vacation Time*, Adam Faith performs *High School Confidential* and Bobby Mitchell and the Toppers lament the *Schoolboy Blues*.**
- **Detailed, informative and humorous liner notes by Roland H. Rumtreiber, many illustrations in the booklet and carefully re-mastered recordings round off this retrospective.**

School is out – at last! “No more books and studies; I can stay out late with my buddies ... do the things that I wanna do!” Gary U.S. Bonds nails it with his summertime anthem. The infectious ‘live-party’ sound of Bonds’ Legrand record sets the pace for Bear Family’s sequel to ‘School House Rock Vol. 1 - School Is In!’ (BCD17668).

Ahh, school days. Arduous! Ambivalent! Sweet reminiscing and painful memories! During the 1950s, a new target species was developed - or busted down doors and demanded recognition after centuries of neglect: the teenager. They talked differently, dressed differently, acted weird, smelled funny, and were hard to get by. They seemed to rule their little universe. One central gathering point to control them, study them, bully them, or try to coax them into usable directions was school. And school is where it all happens - boy meets girl; pimples cause nervous breakdowns; you can’t keep twitching due to itching; and you look for your place in life, your little self, your big dreams. School.

Bear Family Records® – again - honors the most important timespan in all our lives with this second volume of high school songs. And what a fine collection it is – surpassing the obvious shooba-dooba of mentallysentimentally deranged harmony groups, snarly-lipped teenage wonderboys, and other 50s cliches. Miss Georgia’s echo-drenched garage rockabilly romp *Rockin’ after School* contrasts nicely with the big city production of Connie Francis’ twister *V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N* – gonna have a ball! Chuck Berry also reflects on *Vacation Time*, showcasing his Louis Jordan influence; Brit rocker Adam Faith offers a crisp version of the Killer’s *High School Confidential* – nice indeed! Bobby Mitchell and the Toppers burst right in with the hard-rocking New Orleans shuffle *Schoolboy Blues* – what a stinging guitar solo! Reggie Perkins sings of the legendary *High School Caesar*. The B-movie by the same title is one of the most incredible high school flickers ever. Some of the critical ‘50s movies will be discussed in the CDs booklet, investigating the exploitation of the teenager in the media.

This new compilation not only complements ‘School House Rock Vol. 1 - School Is In!’ (BCD17668) but tops it with an even larger variety of styles – everything from doo-wop to rhythm and blues, from rockabilly to schmaltzy ballads. So, go! Get ‘School House Rock Vol. 2 - School Is Out!’.

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TRACKLISTING:

CD:

Mack Vickery: High School Blues **Bill James and The Hex-O-Tones:** School's Out **Gary U.S. Bond:** School Is Out
Hank Ballard & The Midnighters: After School **Miss Georgia:** Rockin' After School **The Hollywood Playboys:** Ding, Dong, School Is Out
Carl Phillips: Summer Vacation **Connie Francis:** V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N **Merle Kilgore:** Teenager's Holiday **Chuck Berry:** Vacation Time
Bucky & Premieres: Summer School **Walt Benton and The Diplomats:** Summer School Blues **Lou Josie:** Vacation's Over
Ron and his Rattletones feat. Pierre Maheu: School Day Blues **Dale Hawkins:** Back To School Blues **Faron Young:** Vacation's Over
Adam Faith: High School Confidential **John D. Loudermilk:** Goin' Away To School **Gary & Billy:** Working After School
Bobby Mitchell and The Toppers: School Boy Blues **Gene Vincent and his Blue Caps:** Walkin' Home From School
Dave Rich: School Blues **Smiley Lewis:** School Days Are Back Again **Nicky DeMatteo:** School House Rock
Timmie 'Oh Yeah' Rogers: Back To School Again **Reggie Perkins:** High School Caesar **Ferlin Husky:** What'cha Doin' After School
Bob Cort Skiffle Group: School Day (Ring! Ring! Goes The Bell) **Mark Dinning:** School Fool **The Coasters:** Charlie Brown
Joe Tex and his X Class Mates: Charlie Brown Got Expelled **Louis Jordan and his Tympany Five:** School Days

ALSO AVAILABLE:

Various Artists:

School House Rock, Vol. 1 – School Is In!

BCD17668 AH
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet
EAN: 4000127176684



Ricky Nelson: Rocks

BCD16856 AR
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet
EAN: 4000127168566



Del Shannon:

The Drugstore's Rockin' - Two Silhouettes

BCD17596 AH
1-CD (Digipak) with 40-page booklet
EAN: 5397102175961



Various Artists: The Precious Years

BCD17529 AB
1-CD with 28-page booklet
EAN: 5397102175299



Tommy Sands:

**The Drugstore's Rockin'
A Big Date With Tommy Sands**

BCD17543 AH
1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet
EAN: 5397102175435



Bobby Vee: The Drugstore's Rockin' Suzie Baby

BCD17573 AH
1-CD (Digipak) with 32-page booklet
EAN: 5397102175732



Various Artists: Destination Beach

BCD17674 AB
1-CD with 20-page booklet
EAN: 4000127176745



Various Artists: Summer Days And Summer Nights

BCD17618 AB
1-CD with 20-page booklet
EAN: 5397102176180

