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The award of a $2,930,848 contract for the construction of an elementary boarding school at Dilkon, Arizona was announced today by the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The new school complex will make possible the closing of three small trailer schools. Construction plans call for 26 classrooms; a multipurpose building; kitchen-dining building; bus garage; two 128-pupil dormitories; 10 one-bedroom staff apartments; 20 two-bedroom houses and 30 three-bedroom houses and an instructional materials center and administration offices.

Other installations will include a 200,000-gallon ground-water storage tank; pumps and pump houses at two locations with approximately 2.5 miles of 6-inch to 12-inch diameter water mains; sewage collection system with lagoons; bituminous street paving with concrete curbs and gutters, and other ground improvements.

This work, when complete, will expand school facilities at this location to care for 780 additional pupils, beginners through the eighth grade, who are not adequately served by local public schools in their home communities.

The successful bidder was Lembke Construction Co., of Nevada, Inc., Las Vegas, Nevada. Four higher bids, ranging from $3,122,227 to $3,517,830, were received.