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Award of a $1,119,100 contract for the expansion and improvement of Federal Indian school facilities on the Navajo Reservation at Teec Nos Pos, Arizona, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The project involves an enlargement in the capacity of the existing boarding school at Teec Nos Pos to provide space for 334 Indian pupils. When completed, it will relieve the present overcrowding and furnish educational opportunities for 252 additional Navajo youngsters.

The work is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1961.

The contract provides for the construction of two dormitories for the pupils, an 11-classroom school building, a kitchen-dining hall to seat 160 students and 28 employees I quarters.· The job also includes remodeling of the existing school to nine bedroom apartments for staff personnel, as well as necessary utilities, roads, and other site work.

The successful bidder was H. R. McBride Construction Co. of Farmington, New Mexico. Eleven higher bids were received ranging from $1,179,900 to $1,358,088.