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The Department of the Interior announced today award by the Bureau of Indian Affairs of a $256,932 contract for permanent dormitory facilities at Holbrook, Arizona.

The contract was awarded to Bryant Whiting of Springerville, Arizona. Eight higher bids, ranging from $277,777 to $309,941, were received.

The Holbrook project is a part of the Bureau's long-range educational program. One of the objectives of this program is to arrange for the transfer of Indian children from Federal to public schools as rapidly as feasible.

When completed the facilities will house 120 school-age children from the Navajo Reservation and thus permit them to attend the public schools at Holbrook.

Slated for construction are a dormitory and a multipurpose building, utility connections, perimeter fencing, graveled drive, and paved play areas.