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Award of a $868,653 contract for construction of school facilities to accommodate 188 Indian children not now in school at Dilcon, Arizona, on the Navajo Reservation was reported today by the Department of the Interior.

The contract calls for construction of a 7-classroom structure with a multipurpose room, a 128-pupil dormitory, a kitchen and dining room, employees' quarters, a bus garage, and a storage and utility building.

The facilities are being built at a location on the Navajo Reservation where the Bureau of Indian Affairs has been operating a temporary school for the past several years. When completed, they will provide for the present enrollment of 22 children at Dilcon and for 188 others not now in school.

The successful bidder was Lembke Construction Co., Albuquerque, N. Mex. Ten higher bids, ranging from $877,191 to $1,022,831, were received.