

## List of Federal Indian Policies Related to Federal Indian Boarding Schools

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Year	Date	Source	Document Type	Limited Description
0	00_00_00	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 27	Manual	"Manual of Administrative Accounts and Procedures for Field Offices" excerpt regarding Indian Service Special Disbursing Agents, Records and Procedures.
0	0000_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Circular (Other)	Suggestions for the inspection and supervision of Indian schools with goal to make Indian children self-supporting and independent citizens.
0	0000_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Miscellaneous	"Suggestions for School Supervisors" regarding, among other things, plant location, buildings, farms, health, employees, liquor, and record keeping.
1878	1878_03_07	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 5	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Implementing Circular No. 3 dated January 9, 1878, with respect to farm and garden culture by pupils of Indian schools. Ree or Squaw corn is best adapted for Indian cultivation.
1878	1878_05_13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 5	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Supplement to Circular No. 3 regarding languages, instruction in the work of the Dairy, and farm and garden cultivation.
1884	1884_05_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 5	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Attaching Rules for the Conduct of Indian Boarding Schools that "must be strictly enforced." Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in detail including, among other things, expectations for enrollment; selecting employees; textbooks; furnishings; industrial training; farming and gardening; blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, and shoemaker trades; training in housekeeping for girls; meals; clothing; officer duties; evening sessions for reading, study, singing, and other exercises.
1892	1892_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Rule	1892 Rules for Indian Schools with Course of Study, List of Text-Books, and Civil Service Rules. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Agent, School Superintendent, School Principal, Teacher, Industrial Teacher, Matron, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; requirement of use of English language and prohibition on use of native languages; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; student conduct (e.g., instruction in personal purity, prohibition on social dancing, gambling, and profanity, requirement to observe the Sabbath); discipline of students (e.g., corporal punishment and imprisonment); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping, the trades of blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, shoemaker, and harness-maker); course of academic study by grade; music and singing; recreation; student health; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1894	1894_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Rule	1894 Rules for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, Agents, School Superintendent, Teacher, Industrial Teacher, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs, corporal punishment not permitted); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping, the trades of blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, shoemaker, and harness-maker); music and singing; student health; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1897	1897_08_07	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Circular advising administrators that Mr. F. D. Gleason is the accredited agent of the Hampton Institute.
1897	1897_09_09	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	New rules for employees regarding situations where students leave schools without permission. Agents are permitted to arrest and return students. The rules contemplate parents and guardians "harboring" students or failing/refusing to "deliver" the student. Agency police are empowered to arrest and punish any person who may hinder the agents in their duty.
1897	1897_12_03	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request to Agents and Bonded Superintendents for information on returned pupils from non-reservation schools now living on reservations, including their "estimate of their character and conduct with reference to the results of the educational course at the school attended."
1898	1898_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Regulation	1899 Regulations Concerning Education In The Indian Territory.
1898	1898_05_04	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Advising on changes to rations for the Indian School Service.
1898	1898_08_13	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring student instruction on the nature of alcoholic drinks and narcotics and their effects on the human system.
1898	1898_11_11	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring school officials to immediately and accurately measure each room used by pupils for sleeping, eating, or school purposes in order to determine the capacities for each school. Under the best sanitary regulations, the capacities should be determined by dividing dormitory spaces by 40, school building spaces by 17, and mess halls by 12.
1898	1898_11_22	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Condemning reported practice of falsifying employee records to show extra employees on rolls and then dividing the apportioned salary among other persons who claim to have performed part of the work authorized for the position.
1898	1898_12_05	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Responding to the U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding the present condition of the schools of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations in the Indian Territory.
1898	1898_12_07	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Letter to the Commissioner regarding communication from the Governor of Choctaw Nation regarding school matters and present indebtedness.
1898	1898_12_07	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Concerning the appointment of a School Supervisor in the Indian Territory.
1899	1899_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Regulation	1899 Regulations Concerning Education in the Indian Territory.
1899	1899_00_00	Entry PI-163 715A	Rule	Additions and Amendments to the Rules and Regulations Prescribed November 4, 1898, by the Secretary of the Interior Under the General Provisions of the Act of Congress Approved June 28, 1898, (30 Stats. 495) to Govern Miscellaneous Matters in the Indian Territory.
1899	1899_01_16	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by U.S. Indian Inspector	Suggestions regarding the payment of indebtedness of schools in the Choctaw Nation since July 1, 1898.
1898	1899_01_21	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring that Agents and Bonded Superintendents report the legal residence and service entrance dates of all employees with a salary of \$300 or more per year. Emphasizing the importance of providing correct information to the Office.
1899	1899_02_01	Entry PI-163 719 & 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Encouraging singing and teaching music in schools, primarily for the purpose of encouraging patriotic sentiments in students. Also discussing English speaking and instruction.

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1899	1899_02_04	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Letter to the U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding payment of indebtedness of schools in the Choctaw Nation.
1899	1899_02_04	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Letter to Commissioner of Indian Affairs regarding payment of indebtedness of schools in the Choctaw Nation.
1899	1899_03_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Regulation	Regulations Concerning Education In The Indian Territory.
1899	1899_03_22	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Acting Secretary of the Interior	Letter to U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding request for payment of Choctaw teachers' certificates and suggestions regarding the payment of tribal indebtedness.
1899	1899_03_24	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Superintendent of Education	Letter to the Secretary regarding the conditions at the Choctaw schools.
1899	1899_03_25	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by U.S. Indian Inspector	Letter to the Secretary regarding the conditions at the Choctaw schools.
1899	1899_04_10	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Encouraging as many employees as can possibly be spared to attend the Indian School Service Institute.
1899	1899_04_10	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Superintendent of Education	Letter to the Secretary regarding nominations for School Supervisors in the Indian Territory.
1899	1899_04_12	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Letter to the U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding report from John D. Benedict, Superintendent of Schools in the Indian Territory, concerning conditions of the Indian schools in the Choctaw, Creek, and Cherokee Nations.
1899	1899_06_03	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Acting Secretary of the Interior	Letter to Superintendent of Schools in the Indian Territory regarding conditions of the schools in the Indian Territory and repairs of school buildings.
1899	1899_06_07	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting topics for the Indian School Service Institute.
1898	1899_06_26	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting estimates for amounts needed by each school for support for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1901.
1899	1899_08_05	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Acknowledging an increase in off-reservation school attendance and urging efforts to similarly increase attendance at on-reservation schools by filling "each school, boarding and day . . . to the limit of its capacity during the first quarter of the new fiscal year."
1899	1899_08_07	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Urging Superintendents to fill each boarding and day school to the limit of its capacity during the first quarter of the new fiscal year.
1899	1899_09_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Discouraging certain practices reportedly used to secure attendance at off-reservation schools when parents were unwilling to let their child enroll. These practices included promising to pay the parents money for their consent and promising that students will return during vacation periods.
1899	1899_09_18	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Prohibiting promises to pay money to obtain parents' consent to transfer students to non-reservation schools and promises to return children during vacation. Sections 15-17, 217-219, and 221 of the Indian School Rules 1898 must be followed regarding the collection of Indian pupils for nonreservation schools.
1899	1899_10_04	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Acting Secretary of the Interior	Letter to U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding nominations of employees at Choctaw boarding schools and suggestions regarding regulations regarding the payment of Superintendents.
1899	1899_12_15	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting recipes for a cookbook to be distributed at schools.
1900	1900_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Manual	1910 Manual For Indian Schools: A Brief Discussion of Principles and Methods of Education with Reference to a Few Changes Found Desirable in the Present System of Indian Education.
1900	1900_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Rule	1900 Rules for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, Agents, Reservation School Superintendent, Teacher, Manual Training Teacher, Industrial Teacher, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; collection of students for nonreservation schools; buildings and grounds; the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs, corporal punishment not permitted); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping, the trades of blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, tailor, shoemaker, and harness-maker); music and singing; student health; student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1899	1900_01_02	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring that each teacher keep an accurate daily register of all pupils under his charge. Notifying recipients of reports of abuse stemming from employees purchasing rations or subsistence from the government supplies in violation of regulations.
1899	1900_01_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing attention to provisions of the Indian School Rules prohibiting admittance of students over the age of 18 or who are continued beyond 21 years without the consent of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.
1900	1900_02_21	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on the costs of board per quarter in the school employee's mess for the past four quarters.
1900	1900_03_15	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Seeking examples of school work, including maps and drawings, to display at upcoming Department of Indian Education and National Educational Association meeting.

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1900	1900_05_03	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Notifying about summer schools being offered to employees in coordination with the meeting of the Department of Indian Education.
1900	1900_07_18	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Notifying about an exhibit where school work from schools throughout the U.S. would be displayed and inviting Superintendents to attend.
1900	1900_09_19	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Adopting a policy of giving students "thorough industrial training" at all schools where it is possible.
1900	1901_01_02	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Adopting a policy of vaccinating every pupil in response to smallpox outbreaks in the West.
1900	1901_02_18	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing each reservation boarding school to prepare a class of pupils for transfer at the close of the fiscal year to some of the non-reservation schools.
1901	1901_02_28	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting that lists of positions and salaries for Indian schools be prepared and submitted promptly. Emphasizing a strict \$167 per capita limit for each Indian pupil at a school, which should be divided between employees and supplies, clothing, subsistence, etc.
1901	1901_03_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting that Superintendents give a report on each pupil returned to their reservations evaluating the benefit of the pupil's education. Requesting information on, among other things, the pupil's gender, graduation status, and whether or not the pupil received an allotment.
1901	1901_03_23	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting subjects for round table discussions for Department of Indian Education meeting.
1901	1901_03_25	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting school work for display at the annual meeting of the National Educational Association.
1901	1901_05_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Providing information regarding detailing employees to attend summer schools.
1901	1901_05_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Announcing that a Congress of Indian Educators will be held in conjunction with the annual Department of Indian Education meeting.
1901	1901_09_28	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting feedback on a new set of regulations regarding the transfer of pupils to non-reservation schools.
1901	1901_10_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting a list of subjects to be discussed at the next Department of Indian Education meeting.
1901	1901_10_10	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reporting on statistics collected on Indian schools for the previous fiscal year and advising that "it is believed essential to the ultimate civilization of the Indian that he should be gotten away from the reservations as much as possible." Reports 251 schools and an increase of 1208 in enrollment and 1650 in average attendance. Non reservation schools increased by 676 pupils, reservation schools increased by 1222, and day schools decreased by 248. "These increases are indicative of the zeal and ability of the agents and superintendents, which is commendable in the highest degree."
1901	1901_10_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Referring to rules stating that once a student is enrolled in an off reservation boarding school, they are considered members of that school until separated by the authority of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. If a student returns to his reservation, agents are required to determine the "legitimacy of his return." The stated purpose of this policy was to prevent "frequent changes of pupils from one school to another, which is demoralizing to the school force as well as the pupils themselves."
1901	1901_11_00	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting annual reports from Agents and Superintendents on how they carried out Education Circular 57.
1901	1901_12_20	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing Agents and Bonded Superintendents to abolish the practice of paying students for the labor they provide to the school because such labor "is considered a necessary part of the education and training of Indian pupils, and this class of labor superintendents will require of his pupils without pay in the future."
1901	1902_01_17	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Repealing "Browning Ruling," which had ruled that Indian parents had no right to designate which school their children attended.
1902	1902_02_00	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting examples of school work from students to display at a meeting of the National Educational Association.
1902	1902_02_10	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting superintendents fill out a form identifying the "degree of Indian blood possessed by the pupils" enrolled in their respective schools. The form is separated into reservation and non-reservation sections and includes spaces for "full blood Indian pupils"; "3/4 Indian blood pupils"; "1/2"; "1/8"; and "1/16 or less". The form also includes a space for "No. of pupils whose parents have taken allotments or who themselves have taken or are entitled to allotments"
1902	1902_02_17	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Advising Indian Agents and Superintendents to replace a form they had previously been using ("Monthly School Report" No. 5-249) with a new form. The new form is not attached.
1902	1902_03_02	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing Superintendents to establish reading circles among the employees of their school.
1902	1902_03_12	Entry PI-163 719 /Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Guidance on teaching agriculture at schools.

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1902	1902_03_18	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting that Agents and Superintendents fill out a list of positions and salaries for their schools for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and clarifying certain policies for Indian education. Emphasizing the \$167 per capita limit that may be spent on each Indian pupil and requirement that the \$167 be divided between employees and supplies, clothing, subsistence, etc. Noting that "It has been brought to my attention that some superintendents, where their salary lists are excessive, have made up for the deficiency by reducing the amount of subsistence, &c, [sic] allowed to the children. Such a course will not be tolerated." Also noting a lack of uniformity in the number of teachers allowed at different schools and stating that "only one-half of each day should be devoted to literary pursuits, the other half to industrial training. Therefore, as a rule, only one teacher, taking into consideration the age of the pupils, will be allowed for each 50 or 60 pupils."
1902	1902_03_20	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Same as 1902_02_00c16.
1902	1902_03_22	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Similar request to 1902_02_00c16 for student work for meeting with National Educational Association.
1902	1902_03_22	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Superintendents expected to establish a Reading Circle among employees at their school with every employee expected to attend and take an active part.
1902	1902_03_31	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Guidance on teaching economy to students.
1902	1902_04_24	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Advising that grey carboard instead of white is being sent to schools for requested displays for an exhibit for the Department of Indian Education.
1902	1902_05_01	Entry PI-163 718	.	Directing Indian Agents and Superintendents to discontinue the reported practice of "transmitting letters written by pupils. . . to their parents under the penalty envelopes of the government, addressed to such parents." Explaining that the Postmaster General has been informed of the practice and that "the continuance of the custom . . . will be held as a violation of the postal regulations"
1902	1902_05_5	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Asking Superintendents to encourage their employees to attend summer schools held in various locations in order to "keep abreast of the educational methods of the day" and "raise the standard of the schools."
1902	1902_09_13	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting estimates for school books and supplies.
1902	1902_10_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring that no pupil should be enrolled at a nonreservation school for less than a three year term, but specifying a preference for enrolling pupils for a four to five year term. Stating that "No promise must be made to any parents or others that pupils enrolled will be returned home during vacation period, and in no case will you hereinafter permit any pupil to return home during vacation without special permission of this Office, and full data must be submitted with your request showing the necessity for such return."
1902	1902_10_25	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Following up on request for an exhibit of school and industrial work for the Minneapolis meeting.
1902	1902_11_06	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Stating the policy that reservation school enrollment is restricted to pupils within that territory. Laying out additional policy priorities, including emphasizing that "great stress be laid upon transfers from reservation day and boarding schools to a nonreservation school."
1902	1902_11_1	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Clarifying Education Circular No. 62, which repealed the "Browning Ruling" (the Browning Ruling stated Indian parents have no right to designate which school their children attend). Stating the effect "is to grant latitude" to parents in school selection but "not to permit whimsical or capricious persons to defeat the education of their children by frequent unwanted changes." Also stating that parental consent must be "given freely and voluntarily," but that if parents wish to change the schools their children attend, they must "appear in person" before the Indian Agents and Superintendents to give a "voluntary statement of their wishes." Further stating that Indian parents "will not be granted the right to send their children off the reservation to schools except by your [the Indian Agents and Superintendents] consent, and you must be satisfied that the school selected is a well-conducted, reputable institution."
1902	1902_12_1	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 28	Letter Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Emphasizing and reissuing Office Circular of March 19, 1890, regarding preserving Indian family names as Indians become citizens of the United States.
1902	1902_12_20	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Issuing rules to ensure uniformity throughout the Indian School Service regarding religious instruction by various denominations.
1902	1903_01_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Advising school administrators to put greater emphasis on agriculture, stock raising, and "kindred pursuits" at boarding schools. Giving directions on processes for keeping employees and students at the school during vacation months to adequately continue these industries.
1903	1903_01_20	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting that reading rooms be established at every school.
1903	1903_02_10	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Providing suggested guidance for teaching economy at schools.
1903	1903_04_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Request for industrial and classroom work for exhibit at a meeting in Boston in 1903.
1903	1903_04_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Same as 1903_04_01c57.

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1902	1903_04_02	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Explaining new civil service rules, including requiring that "Indians appointed to the service. . . pass the same examination (noncompetitively) which is passed by white persons (competitively)."
1903	1903_04_06	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on budget and costs and pupil enrollment from the Superintendent of the school in Pierre, South Dakota.
1903	1903_04_06	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information about a school's use of contracted medical services during the previous school year.
1903	1903_05_05	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Asking Superintendents to encourage their employees to attend summer schools held in various locations in order to "keep abreast of the educational methods of the day" and "raise the standard of the schools."
1903	1903_06_29	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information from Agents and Bonded Superintendents to help prepare annual estimate for the support of schools for upcoming fiscal year.
1903	1903_07_01	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting school physicians prepare reports on health conditions at boarding schools and reservations.
1903	1903_07_31	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting data about current students and "returned" (to a reservation) students for the years 1890 and 1903.
1903	1903_08_13	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Stating that when school physicians go on leaves of absence they must make arrangements for another physician to be available because schools cannot be left without a physicians "unless there is attendant risk and danger to the health of the pupils in case of unexpected illness or epidemic."
1903	1903_08_21	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reiterating a previous communication which directed Agents and Superintendents to implement more vigorous management of the schools in their district but explaining the Commissioner's opinion "that the great[majority of the schools and employes are doing as excellent work as can be desired."
1903	1903_09_21	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Emphasizing the importance of taking "every precaution" to ensure school buildings are in a "thoroughly hygienic condition" and stating that although school officials are urged to fill schools to the limits of their capacity, they must consider the health of the students and avoid overcrowding. Also containing information about pulmonary tuberculosis.
1904	1904_00_00	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Giving guidance to Superintendents and teachers on studying the individual characteristics of pupils and explaining some overarching goals for their education, including cultivating a desire to become self-sufficient.
1904	1904_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Rule	1904 Rules for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, Agents, Reservation School Superintendent, Teacher, Manual Training Teacher, Industrial Teacher, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; collection of students for nonreservation schools; buildings and grounds; the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs, corporal punishment not permitted); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping, the trades of blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, tailor, shoemaker and harness-maker); music and singing; student health; student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1903	1904_01_06	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring a "farm book" be kept and reported on an annual basis.
1904	1904_01_11	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting bills for each meal served in a one week period for each season.
1904	1904_02_01	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing Superintendents and principal teachers to create gardens at each school.
1904	1904_02_15	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Guidance for dormitory bed preparation.
1903	1904_03_23	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reporting on health conditions in native populations. Detailing that tuberculosis is "widespread among the Indians" and reporting that the prevalence is due to lack of cleanliness and failure to properly dispose of sputum, overcrowding in dormitories, unsanitary conditions in school buildings, admission of tubercular and otherwise unhealthy pupils, "causes referable to the home life of the Indians [including] insufficient and improperly prepared food, intermarriage, excesses, uncleanness and accumulated filth and other unhygienic conditions which exist." Also reporting that chronic eye and skin diseases are due to "strumous tendencies" and "neglect of simple conditions." Listing new requirements to improve health conditions, including that physicians examine all pupils proposed for enrollment and make periodic examinations after enrollment. Directing that sick pupils should be sent home temporarily and suspected cases should be monitored closely and assigned separate sleeping apartments if possible.
1904	1904_04_01	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 6	Regulation	Regulations of the Indian Office Effective April 1, 1904.
1904	1904_04_11	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Enclosing educational illustrations for classroom use. Illustrations not included in the scanned file.
1904	1904_04_11	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Enclosing educational illustrations for classroom use. Illustrations not included in the scanned file.
1904	1904_04_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information about a school's use of contracted medical services during the previous school year.

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1904	1904_04_16	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on farm statistics at schools. Reiterating that agricultural work is considered "of paramount importance to the literary."
1904	1904_04_25	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Asking Agents and Superintendents to urge their teachers to attend summer school, and containing information on various summer schools.
1904	1904_04_30	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on budgeting and logistics for transporting students.
1904	1904_05_07	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing schools to create school gardens even if "teachers and pupils must go a considerable distance to find a suitable place."
1904	1904_06_16	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing recipients' attention to Circular No. 65 (regarding bills-of-fare), which was likely attached but is not included in the scanned file.
1904	1904_11_01	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Advising school employees to create and participate in reading circles.
1904	1904_11_02	Entry PI-163 759A	Rules for the Indian School Service	1904 Rules for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, Agents, Reservation School Superintendent, Teacher, Manual Training Teacher, Industrial Teacher, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; collection of students for nonreservation schools; buildings and grounds; the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs, corporal punishment not permitted); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping, the trades of blacksmith, wheelwright, carpenter, tailor, shoemaker and harness-maker); music and singing; student health; student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1905	1905_01_16	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Explaining value of teaching agriculture in schools and implementing school gardening programs.
1904	1905_03_10	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Addressing fire damage to school buildings and safety policies.
1904	1905_04_07	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on budgeting and logistics for transporting students.
1905	1905_05_10	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting certain data to show the value of schools' methods of teaching pupils the habits of thrift and economical saving of their money.
1905	1905_06_07	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Notifying about federal policies penalizing budget deficiencies and requesting information on school employees and salaries.
1905	1905_06_22	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Form requesting information on farm statistics for the 1905 school year.
1905	1905_06_30	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting enrollment, financial, and budgeting information from schools.
1905	1905_08_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Emphasizing the importance of ensuring that school buildings and grounds are in a "thoroughly hygienic condition"
1905	1905_11_20	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing that each girl over 10 years old be given a mending kit or sewing bag to "inoculate habits of neatness and economy, and to train Indian girls to take care of their own clothing."
1905	1905_12_20	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	Pamphlet: Nature Study And Gardening: Primary Methods And Outlines For The Use Of Teachers In The Indian Schools.
1906	1906_00_00	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Distributing copies of Farmers' Bulletin No. 218 to assist employees with practical lessons.
1906	1906_01_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Guidance to teachers on incorporating the instruction of nature into school curricula.
1906	1906_01_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Providing excerpts from law on the transfer of pupils from Indian reservations and schools to nonreservation schools. Bringing attention to the requirement that administrators send certificates to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs that consent was voluntarily given before each child is removed.
1906	1906_02_00	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Containing copies of reports and current policies of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and instructing Superintendents to distribute copies to employees. The reports themselves are not included in the scanned document.
1906	1906_03_00	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Distributing copies of Farmers' Bulletin No. 218 to assist employees with practical lessons.
1906	1906_03_06	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by First Assistant Secretary of the Interior	Letter to the Commissioner suggesting some changes in the manner of conducting the schools in the Creek, Cherokee, Choctaw, and Chickasaw Nations, given the anticipated discontinuance of the tribal governments of the Five Civilized Tribes March 4, 1906.

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1906	1906_03_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information from each school for a new edition of the "Route Book." Information requested includes location, post office, telegraphic addresses, nearest railroad station, and usual route.
1906	1906_03_15	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Reiterating policies for school instruction.
1906	1906_03_15	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Acting Secretary of the Interior	Regarding the continuation of tribal schools of the Five Civilized Tribes for the present school year.
1906	1906_03_19	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting certain demographic information about schools and enrollment on reservations.
1906	1906_04_10	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Preventing weak eyes in students caused by focusing on print and small stitches in dimly lit rooms by devoting the "evening hour" to recreational and entertaining but educational exercises.
1906	1906_05_17	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for budget, demographic, and enrollment information about schools.
1906	1906_05_22	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Information about the annual convention of the National Educational Association, which was cancelled "on account of the terrible catastrophe" that took place at the planned location of San Francisco.
1906	1906_06_13	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Information on changing logistics for the annual convention of the National Educational Association due to the 1906 earthquake.
1906	1906_07_01	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Regulation	Regulations For Tribal Indian Schools Among The Five Civilized Tribes July 1, 1906.
1906	1906_07_03	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Explaining implications of Executive Order of Feb. 28, 1906 aimed at preventing the spread of tuberculosis amongst government employees. Instructions for distributing placards and pamphlets on tuberculosis prevention.
1906	1906_07_07	Entry PI-163 715A	Regulation	Regulations for Tribal Indian Schools Among The Five Civilized Tribes.
1906	1906_07_25	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information to prepare the annual estimate for the support of schools in the upcoming fiscal year, including budget, demographic, and enrollment information.
1906	1906_08_15	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	Pamphlet: Teaching The Rudiments Of Cooking In The Class Room/Primary Methods And Outlines For The Use Of Teachers In The Indian Schools.
1906	1906_09_12	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Transmitting an outline course for giving pupils elementary instruction in cooking.
1906	1906_10_24	Entry PI-163 715A	Letter Issued by Secretary of the Interior	Letter to the U.S. Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory regarding payment of board and tuition of pupils attending academies, while children attending neighborhood or day schools are only allowed their tuition without allowance for boarding.
1906	1906_11_15	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing the teaching of "kindness to animals" at schools following a question to the Commissioner from the American Humane Education Society.
1906	1906_11_15	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing schools to establish reading circles if they have not already been established for employees and teachers.
1906	1906_12_04	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting a report on the quantities of books on hand that are not required for use at the school.
1906	1906_12_28	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Guidance on conducting commencement exercises.
1907	1907_01_05	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting copies of lessons prepared based on pamphlets circulated by the agency entitled "Teaching Indian Pupils to speak English"; "Nature Study and Gardening"; and "Teaching the Rudiments of Cooking in the Class Rooms."
1907	1907_01_05	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing instructional pamphlets be distributed to teachers and complied with: "Teaching Indian Pupils to speak English"; "Nature Study and Gardening"; and "Teaching the Rudiments of Cooking in the Class Rooms."
1907	1907_03_12	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Indian children should be trained in some useful subjects taught at public schools, with the goal of correlating classroom work and shop work more closely, such as teaching elementary carpentry to enable students to speedily acquire knowledge of housebuilding.
1907	1907_04_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Notifying about an institute being held in Los Angeles, CA in the first week of July to correspond with the annual National Educational Association meeting.
1907	1907_04_22	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Seeking to increase uniformity of religious exercises and practice in the school system. Requesting report on what specific religious practices take place at each school.
1907	1907_04_30	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Announcing Indian Service Institutes for employees and asking administrators to identify employees who will attend.
1907	1907_04_30	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions for employees going to detail to attend summer courses for teachers on the care and education of children.

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1907	1907_05_04	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting data to develop transportation estimates for collection and return of pupils in 1908, including budget, demographic, and enrollment information.
1907	1907_05_27	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for updated routing information.
1907	1907_06_12	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Detailing conflict between reservation and non reservation employees. Stating this conflict has caused failures to follow the rules and "much correspondence and tedious investigations" imposed on the Office stemming from complaints "not only from superintendents and agents, but also from parents and the pupils themselves, alleging want of consent, unfulfilled promises, poor health, and other conditions" and requiring the use of a form in the future.
1907	1907_07_01	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for updated route book information.
1907	1907_07_01	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Responding to requests from the Indian fields for enlarged school facilities, both for more on reservation day schools from parents who "may keep their children with them while sending them to school" and from Agents and Superintendents advocating for more reservation boarding schools. "Attendance at some schools will be required, as in the past, but the opportunity of [school] selection must be allowed the Indians as far as practicable, and they must be encouraged to exercise their judgment in such matters."
1907	1907_08_26	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9/Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Stating funds allotted for transportation of pupils must be used to return as well as to bring. Pupils must be returned at end of contract period. Assignment of territory must be strictly adhered to. No unwarranted inducements to be offered.
1907	1907_09_16	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information for a quarterly boarding school report and quarterly day school report.
1907	1907_10_11	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Requesting that Superintendents and principal teachers ensure teachers are adapting lessons "to meet the needs of local conditions", along with sample lessons for each grade.
1907	1907_11_05	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on the locations of agency and school sites from each jurisdiction.
1907	1907_12_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9/Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Stating that Native songs, language, and folklore of Indian children should be encouraged.
1908	1908_02_05	Entry PI-163 719/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 33	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Directing that evening classes be discontinued except where local conditions make it absolutely necessary so that evening time can be used for "exercises of an educative, entertaining and recreative character."
1908	1908_04_07	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting quarterly enrollment data.
1908	1908_04_25	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information on deaths of children from tuberculosis, separated by type of tuberculosis, males over 16, females over 16, children under 16, and "full bloods" vs. "mixed bloods," as well as information on "camps for tuberculosis patients"
1908	1908_05_01	Entry PI-163 719	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Indian Schools	Notification on an educational institute being held in Cleveland, Ohio to correspond with the annual National Educational Association meeting.
1908	1908_06_02	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regulations concerning transfer and transportation of pupils to nonreservation schools.
1908	1908_06_02	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9/Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding regulations for transfer of pupils to nonreservation schools. Superintendents no longer permitted to send collecting agents into the field for the purpose of inducing parents to send their children to their respective schools. Power and authority to arrange all transfers requested by parents living on a reservation is now vested in the U.S. Indian Agents and Superintendents in charge of Agencies.
1908	1908_06_08	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting quarterly reports on contracts in schools.
1908	1908_06_17	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	List of authorized positions and salaries for agencies and schools for fiscal year 1909.
1908	1908_07_10	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for budgeting data for fiscal year 1910.
1908	1908_07_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Money should be placed to credit of Agents and Superintendents in charge of Agencies for the transfer of pupils from Indian reservations to nonreservation schools with the exception of Haskell Institute and the Indian Industrial School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, each of which has a specific transportation fund. Expense of transfers, including transportation, subsistence en route, etc., to be charged against "Indian School Transportation, 1909," not against any allotted portion of this general fund set aside for a particular school.
1908	1908_08_01	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information for new edition of route book.



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1908	1908_08_20	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding planting of trees at Indian Agencies and Schools.
1908	1908_08_21	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Relaying message from Postmaster General asking that letters from students not be sent in the mail "free of postage under cover of penalty envelopes."
1908	1908_08_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	To prevent Indian children from receiving distribution of lands, Superintendents of Nonreservation Schools are asked to make a list of pupils, particularly the orphans, enrolled in the school from specific reservations and include name, age, sex, name of father (both white and Indian name), name of mother (both white and Indian name), home residence, etc.
1908	1908_08_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Because a "very grave injustice has occurred to many Indian pupils enrolled in nonreservations schools by the fault of the Allotting Agents . . . in not looking out for the interests of these absent ones while the lands of their tribe were being allotted," directing Superintendents of nonreservation schools to make up a list of the pupils, particularly the orphans, enrolled in their schools from which reservations have been allotted and from those in the process of allotment.
1908	1908_09_30	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing that wind instruments be properly disinfected to prevent the spread of tuberculosis.
1908	1908_10_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Concerning disinfection of Indian Service band instruments using formaldehyde and noting students with tuberculosis should not use wind instruments.
1908	1908_10_31	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions regarding religious exercises in which the entire pupil body takes part as distinguished from Sunday school exercise under separate denomination or nondenominational control in an attempt to encourage "harmonious relations" of all the religious bodies represented.
1908	1908_11_06	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for report on cost of living at schools and agencies.
1908	1908_11_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Concerning disinfection of Indian Service books. Due to prevalence of tuberculosis, extra precautionary measures must be taken against the spread.
1908	1908_11_20	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructing increased order in school's warehouses and commissary systems.
1908	1908_12_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9/Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Concerning compulsory measures that should be taken to improve sanitary conditions at schools and on reservations. Campaign to start at each school regarding the detection of tuberculosis sufferers for special individual treatment. Establishment of camps for tuberculosis patients at the non-reservation schools. Pupils returning to schools should have thorough physical examination. Children with continuous fever, progressive weight loss, bad cough, and other signs of decline to be sent home.
1908	1908_12_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Inquiry regarding nature of games played at Indian schools including how much time is spent in the open air and what kind of exercise is involved.
1909	1909_00_00	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Concerning use of Agricultural Bulletins from the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture to add to the efficiency of work along agricultural lines in Indian Schools.
1909	1909_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request for estimates for funds required for pupil transportation and subsistence for the 3rd and 4th quarters. Apportionment must be used to return pupils as well as to bring them. Children not to be held past their contract time.
1909	1909_02_04	Entry PI-163 718	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Explaining new health examination rules for collecting and transferring students to non reservation schools.
1909	1909_02_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Physical examinations of pupils required before they are transferred to nonreservation schools.
1909	1909_05_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting annual estimates for support of schools for fiscal year 1911.
1909	1909_05_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Superintendent	Importance of organization of fire fighting system to safeguard Indian children and to protect Government property. Encloses Circular 177 prepared by Superintendent of the Carlisle School with plans for the organization of a school fire department, rules to be followed, and precautions to be observed.
1909	1909_05_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Concerning policy of permitting Indian parents to choose the schools to which their children are sent. Non-reservation schools for pupils over fourteen years of age. Younger pupils should be kept in day schools when days schools within reach, in public schools if convenient, or in the reservation boarding schools. Reservation boarding schools primarily for the younger children (younger children not suited for industrial or domestic programs in nonreservation boarding schools).
1909	1909_06_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Ending use of double beds to improve sanitary conditions has been too slow. Campaign to end use of double beds must take a more aggressive form. Violators of this policy to be punished. Plan summarized as "a single bed for each pupil and only one pupil to each bed." School capacity to be reduced so that only one bed per pupil.
1909	1909_06_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by the Chief Clerk of the Office of Indian Affairs	Referencing Education Circular Nos. 216, 217, 224, and 295 concerning enrollment and transfer of pupils and the manner of payment of transportation.
1909	1909_07_01	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting data concerning proposed policies regarding the preservation of health of Indian pupils in nonreservation schools, the adoption of curricula best suited to their needs, and economic use of the energies of the employee force.
1909	1909_07_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by the Acting Chief Clerk of the Office of Indian Affairs	Indian boys and girls who go from schools and reservations to work for white families should have a clean bill of health. Cases in Phoenix of children who had infectious diseases when they were sent to white families.

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1909	1909_07_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions to Carlisle School and Haskell Institute regarding transportation of students.
1909	1909_08_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information regarding the extent of dancing on Indian reservations and in Indian schools. "Do you think it would be possible by persuasive means to get the Indians to give up oldtime dances which interfere with their progress?"
1909	1909_08_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding report on IIM Accounts of pupils from which it appears that pupils in nonreservation schools who draw annuity and lease money or who have received their share of the tribal funds lack good economic habits or lack an appreciation for monetary values. Suggesting a rule regarding a set amount that a pupil is permitted to draw each month and for what expenses.
1909	1909_08_31	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting recommendation of tuition rates for white children admitted to Indian Schools based upon Indian Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1910 (35 Stat. L. 783).
1909	1909_09_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information and suggestions to increase efficiency of the work in the Indian Service along purely educational lines, including text books, course of study, evening classes, discipline, classification of pupils, school room hygiene, etc.
1910	1910_03_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by the Chief Clerk of the Office of Indian Affairs	Regular instruction to be given to girls in cooking and boys in manual training. Where school has sufficient number of pupils to justify the employment of special teachers for these subjects, it should be done.
1910	1910_05_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents of Nonreservation Schools required to provide information to the Supervisor of Indian Employment, Denver, Colorado, regarding students who have graduated or students whose terms of enrollment have expired to help in the arrangements for temporary or permanent employment of any of the outgoing pupils.
1910	1910_08_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by the First Assistant Secretary of the Interior	Combines and revises prior education circulars and former regulations concerning enrollment, transfer, collection, and transportation of pupils. All healthy children 5 to 16 should be placed in some school: day, reservation, boarding, non-reservation, public, or mission. Where younger Indian children can attend public schools near their homes, they should not be enrolled in Indian schools. When pupils have finished the fourth grade work or are fourteen years and are capable of further advancement that cannot be obtained in accessible public schools, they should be transferred to a non-reservation school with the written consent of the parents, or, if not living, then with the written consent of the next of kin. Certain restrictions placed on the choice of schools by parents.
1910	1910_08_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding date for opening of schools after length of school year reduced to nine months. Best interests to all to begin scholastic year by September 19. Where local conditions make different date advisable, Superintendent in charge will be governed by such conditions.
1910	1910_11_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 1	Memorandum issued by 2d Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reorganizing offices of Education Division into 6 sections: Appointments, Superintendentcies, Schools, Health, Industries, and Purchase. Superintendentcies Section to consider all subjects heretofore handled by the Schools Section which deal particularly with the material and administrative affairs of schools and agencies. School Section to consider all matters relating to Indian children, educational facilities, pedagogy, and kindred subjects heretofore handled under the section designated as "Schools."
1910	1910_11_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Second Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Major portion of pupils' time should be spent in academic work. Superintendents directed to give pupils only such industrial training as is suited to their physical development and capabilities. School sessions for young pupils to be held both in the morning and afternoon but with considerably less work than is required of older pupils. For older, more mature pupils, there should be a half-day plan as regards to academic and industrial training.
1910	1910_11_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding report on methods employed successfully in day schools that may be helpful in all schools, including boarding schools.
1910	1910_11_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information regarding history of each tract requested or set apart for mission use (e.g., church, cemetery, hospital) to avoid confusion in the selection and approval of lands for such purposes.
1910	1910_12_08	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Manner in which instructions provided in Feb. 15, 1904 Circular regarding sanitary care of beds and bedding of pupils in Indian Schools not entirely satisfactory. Issuing further instructions meant to correct current practices.
1911	1911_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	Pamphlet: Synopsis Of Course In Sewing.
1911	1911_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 4	Rule	1911 Rules and Regulations Regarding the Alaska School Service for the Natives of Alaska.
1911	1911_01_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reiterating regulation that "As a protection against smallpox, the physical is required to vaccinate all Indians, employees, and other persons residing at the agency, except such as have already had the disease or are immune by reason of recent successful vaccination. (Circ. I.O., Aug. 24, 1901)."
1911	1911_02_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	"Some Things That Girls Should Know How to Do – And Hence Should Learn How to do When in School." Issued by the Office of Indian Affairs. Lessons in, e.g., kitchen equipment, food preparation, housekeeping, cleaning, sewing, laundering, and care of sick.
1911	1911_02_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	1911 Pamphlet: Some Things That Girls Should Know How To Do.
1911	1911_03_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	1911 Pamphlet: Farm and Home Mechanics/Some Things That Every Boy Should Know How To Do And Hence Should Learn To Do In School.
1911	1911_03_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting that Superintendents report what they did in response to requirements in the manual for Indian schools to procure a school journal for day schools, prepare weekly outlines of instruction in the various subjects, and procure a copy of the course of study adopted for the white schools of their community.
1911	1911_03_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular	Pupils who have deserted are to be dropped from school rolls after a period of 30 days has elapsed from the date of such desertion without having returned to the school. Students on leave not to be carried on rolls unless strong probability of their returning, and in no case shall they be carried for a period longer than 30 days. Neither deserters nor pupils on leave shall be carried or reported as in attendance when not present in person.
1911	1911_04_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Ordering compliance with Circular No. 464, which directs Superintendents to furnish Office of Indian Affairs with lists of pupils who have finished fourth grade work or are fourteen years of age and therefore eligible for transfer to a nonreservation school.

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1911	1911_04_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 1	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding reorganization of the Education Division.
1911	1911_05_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructing Superintendents to submit at once a report of all the bedsteads and mattresses at each school under their charge. Superintendents are not following Circular No 297 dated June 10, 1909, concerning one bed policy. Some Superintendents have asked for new double beds and double mattresses on Annual Estimates.
1911	1911_08_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding delinquent reports on the transfer of pupils to nonreservation schools called for by Circular No. 464.
1911	1911_08_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Two books added to help with instruction in Physiology and Hygiene and Sanitation in Indian Schools.
1911	1911_08_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Recent occurrence of smallpox in different localities and reports of inspecting officials leads Office of Indian Affairs to believe instructions in Circular No. 500 requiring vaccination of Indians has not been carried out.
1911	1911_10_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Second Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Policy to conserve individual funds and land of minors in government custody until they reach the age of majority.
1911	1911_12_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 9	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Request to Superintendents for information regarding how children enrolled in school spend each day, including hour of rising in spring and midsummer, fall and midwinter, and all the other affairs of the day through to the hour of going to bed, including work time, play time, physical exercise, etc.
1912	1912_02_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Precautionary measures that must be taken against the spread of trachoma., including supply of individual towels, lockers, beds, bedding, boiling of clothes, running water for bathing purposes with showers preferred over baths, fumigation of school books, quarantine of acute cases, etc.
1912	1912_03_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Attention to be given to the matter of arranging for pupils' gardens in order that efficient instruction may be given in gardening.
1912	1912_03_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Modifying Circular No. 437, which provided that pupils from nonreservation schools may be allowed to return home during the long vacation upon payment of their own traveling expenses. Circular No. 437 modified to the extent that Superintendents may retain pupils during the vacation periods when, after correspondence with the reservation superintendents, or guided by their own knowledge or information obtained, it appears that the home conditions are not suited for the child's return. Where conditions are safe for pupils to return, they should, as a general rule, be permitted to so return, upon payment of their traveling expenses, as often as once in every two years. Also calling attention to rules regarding proper fire equipment, organization, and drills, which are not being followed at many schools.
1912	1912_04_01	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Now three sanatorium schools for the treatment of Indian pupils having incipient pulmonary tuberculosis: Fort Lapwai, Idaho (100 pupil capacity); Phoenix, Arizona (50 pupil capacity); Laguna, NM (25 pupil capacity). It is proposed to give the patients there during their convalescence such education and industrial training as their physical condition will permit.
1912	1912_04_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Amending Circular No. 413 dated April 2, 1910, to allow a payment from student's IIM Account not to exceed \$100 when a pupil leaves school and returns home on vacation or permanently, not to exceed \$300 in one quarter. Also containing other rules regarding accounting for pupils' funds.
1912	1912_05_20	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	No postage to be paid on home letters when sent by the Superintendent with his monthly report of the pupils. In past, pupils have in some case mailed their letters, with or without report cards, and this is considered a violation of the postal regulations. Students may, under the direction of Superintendent, actually address and enclose letters with report cards.
1912	1912_06_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Training of girls in household arts is unsatisfactory as a whole. Supervisors directed to report every case where satisfactory training of girls is not being offered.
1912	1912_06_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Reference library books to be accessible to employees and pupils at all times. Certain books must be studied by field matrons and female industrial teachers and utilized to for proper training.
1912	1912_07_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Posters regarding sanitary management of dairies to be posted at boarding schools. Instructions must be strictly observed. Sanitary milk pails recommended by the Bureau of Animal Industry be adopted for use in all Indian school dairies and all other pails discontinued in dairy work and utilized for other purposes.
1912	1912_08_24	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	1912 Pamphlet: Religious Garb In Indian Schools/Letter Of The Secretary Of The Interior To The Commissioner Of Indian Affairs.
1912	1912_09_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Provision in Act of August 24, 1912 (Pub. No. 335), must be strictly observed: "That no part of this appropriation, or any other appropriation provided for herein, except appropriations made pursuant to treaties, shall be used to educate children of less than one-fourth Indian blood, whose parents are citizens of the United States and the state wherein they live, and where there are adequate free school facilities provided and the facilities of the Indian schools are needed for pupils of more than one-fourth Indian blood."
1912	1912_12_09	Entry PI-163 759A	Memo	Memorandum the teachers in the Alaska School Service regarding School City, a school democracy founded on kindness and justice to be taught to the children in the Indian schools.
1913	1913_03_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents must supply their schools with enough text books so that no pupil will be compelled to use one, except as hereinafter provided, which has previously been used by another pupil.
1913	1913_05_31	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Total days attended by each pupil must agree with the total number of days school is reported in session, less absences as stated prior to submitting school report.
1913	1913_06_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Survey must be made of number of blind, deaf, and dumb Indian children of school age and included in annual report along with number available for enrollment in special government schools with consent of parents.

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1913	1913_07_14	Entry PI-163 759A	Rules for the Indian School Service	1913 Rules for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, personnel (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; routine progress reports for students; the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping); music and singing; student health and welfare (significantly enhanced requirements compared to prior versions of the Rules); student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1913	1913_07_14	Entry PI-163 759A	Rules for the Indian School Service	1913 Rules for the Indian School Service Approved July 14, 1913, With Amendment. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, personnel (Superintendent of Indian schools, Supervisors of Indian schools, etc.); appointments, removals and promotions of officers and employees; use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; routine progress reports for students; the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, encouragement to attend church and Sunday school); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping); music and singing; student health and welfare (significantly enhanced requirements compared to prior versions of the Rules); student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1913	1913_08_08	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Detailed school calendars, including dates for proposed events, must be submitted by Superintendents of Boarding Schools.
1913	1913_11_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Dairying to be taught as an industry adapted to Indians. Sanitary milk pails must be used and sanitary dairy methods must be followed, without exception.
1914	1914_01_17	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents must produce copy of course of study for the academic, agricultural, and industrial work to be performed, following article 78 of Rules for the Indian School Service, 1913: "Unless a course of study is outlined by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, each Indian school shall adopt a course of academic instruction as nearly similar as practicable to that provided for the public schools of the State wherein such Indian schools are situated, adapting the grades, however, to the larger amount of industrial instruction required in Indian schools and to the capabilities of Indian pupils. Because of the large amount of industrial training in Indian schools, pupils are not expected to complete a grade in the time ordinarily taken for the same grades in public schools."
1914	1914_01_17	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students with trachoma should be admitted to the schools, provided there is room to receive them, and given immediate treatment by the physician.
1914	1914_04_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Prior circulars regarding fire safety have not received the attention which their importance demands. Superintendents to be held responsible for the taking of every proper precaution for the protection of the lives of children and others under their charge and for the protection of property for which they are responsible. Superintendents directed to require both day and night fire drills at such frequent intervals as will establish a discipline that will prevent panic and provide for the prompt exit of all children and employees from buildings in case of fire.
1914	1914_05_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding the purchase of dairy cows and stock for boarding schools.
1914	1914_06_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Blank form to be used where pupils are granted permission to return home from nonreservation schools during vacation, covering the matter of the depositing, by parents or guardian, of funds for their return, and the forfeiture of funds should the pupils fail to return.
1914	1914_06_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions regarding how school libraries should be kept, etc.
1914	1914_06_13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Special suggestions for boarding school calendars.
1914	1914_08_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Attention called to provision in Indian Appropriation Act, approved August 1, 1914 (Public No. 160, Sixty-third Congress), regarding support and education of deaf and dumb children not to exceed \$40K and blind Indian children not to exceed \$1,550,000.
1914	1914_08_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Improvement needed in making greatest use of school farms. Each school should have a truck garden to produce vegetables for its own use. Schools in localities where vegetables and fruits are easily raised should can or preserve a surplus for sale to schools not so fortunately located.
1914	1914_11_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	One day during week of November 29, 1914, to be dedicated to the campaign known as the Fifth Annual Tuberculosis Day Movement.
1914	1914_11_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding reports of too few toothbrushes at certain boarding schools in violation of Circular No. 526, which stated each pupil in school must have a toothbrush marked with the individual number of the pupil and placed in a suitable rack in the lavatory with regular teeth brushing schedules.
1914	1914_11_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents must establish at the school a central distributing library containing books suited to the needs and interests of returned students and adult Indians.
1915	1915_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A/Box 2	Miscellaneous	Tentative Course of Study for United States Indian Schools Prepared Under the Direction of Commissioner of Indian Affairs.
1915	1915_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Where practicable, a physician's certificate stating that infectious maladies do not exist in the community from which pupils are taken should accompany the children brought to the boarding school. Where a physician's certificate cannot be obtained or where uncertainty exists regarding exposure, the pupil should be isolated for a sufficient length of time for the disease to develop before they are allowed to mingle with other pupils at the schools.

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1915	1915_02_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Indian children should not be enrolled in Indian Boarding Schools when they have not reached the "age of fourteen or have not completed the fourth grade, whose parents are half-breeds or less and live within reach of public schools which they can attend." Where children are enrolled in Indian Boarding Schools and their homes are within 2 miles of a public school where they can receive training suited to their advancement, either without cost or upon the payment of the tuition set out in the Circular, the Commissioner will consider recommendations to have such children returned to their homes at the end of the school year.
1915	1915_04_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 10	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions for transfer of pupils from reservation to non-reservation schools for following school year. Students must have completed the course in the school they last attended with a statement regarding each pupil to be transferred. Indian children shall not be sent a distance to nonreservation schools who are not fitted to pursue the work and receive benefit from the courses to be taken at such school.
1915	1915_09_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding protection of children from risk of fire, including installation of fire escapes and changes in construction.
1915	1915_10_01	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Plan for sanitary toothbrush cabinets and instructions on disinfection and storage.
1915	1915_11_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	In an effort to avoid the enrollment of pupils who have deserted other schools, Superintendents directed not to receive pupils who have been previously enrolled in another Indian school without written approval of the Superintendent of such schools or advice from the Superintendent to the effect that the applicant completed the sixth grade or a course of study beyond the sixth grade approved for that school, that his behavior had been exemplary, and that there is no objection to such enrollment.
1915	1915_11_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Assistant Secretary approved Amendment to Indian School Rules of July 14, 1913: "Pupils shall not be enrolled in nonreservation schools without a duly executed certificate of transfer in form prescribed by the Indian Office. Pupils shall not be transferred from one nonreservation school to another, nor admitted in a nonreservation school if they have been enrolled previously in another nonreservation school, except for good reasons shown, supported by recommendation from the superintendent of the former school and upon express authority granted by the Commission of Indian Affairs."
1916	1916_01_13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Formal instruction in industrial subjects must be given.
1916	1916_03_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	With double purpose of teaching Indian children economy and instilling a spirit of independence, Superintendents must submit to all applicants for admission a list of articles with which they must provide themselves and bring with them to school, including the kind and quality of the article to obtain uniformity. In cases where pupils are unable to buy clothing, in whole or in part, they will be supplied from the school upon proper showing to the Superintendent the facts in the case.
1916	1916_03_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Outline and time requirements in industrial education for graduation.
1916	1916_04_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Grades at Reservation Boarding Schools to include Grades 1 to 6; Nonreservation Schools to include Grades 4 and higher. Bismarck, Fort Bidwell, Greenville, Fort Mojave, Springfield, Truxton Canon, and Wittenberg will do the grade work of the Reservation Boarding Schools.
1916	1916_05_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Issuing new course of studied due to unsatisfactory degree of advancement of Indian pupils from grade to grade in Indian Schools.
1916	1916_06_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring schools that received specific appropriations in FY 1909 to limit expenditures for 1917 to \$167 per capita based upon average enrollment for the fiscal year.
1916	1916_06_20	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	If a pupil has satisfactorily completed the work of the 4th, 5th, or 6th grades after the adoption of the course of study for the completion of the full industrial program, he should be promoted to the next higher grade, irrespective of the work he has completed in the lower grade. Pupils found deficient in the preparatory work of the prevocational division should be provided special training.
1916	1916_07_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents must comply with the per capita limitation set forth pursuant to the Act of April 30, 1908, which states "the restriction of the annual expenditure from appropriations for support and education of any one pupil to \$167 will be in force under existing law from and after July 1, 1916."
1916	1916_07_31	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Due to economic and other reasons, certain additional nonreservation boarding schools must do the work of the reservation boarding schools by teaching the 1st through the 6th grades with the list now including Bismarck, Pierre, Springfield, Hayward, Wittenberg, Truxton Canon, Fort Mojave, Fort Bidwell, Greenville, Pipestone, Albuquerque, Chilocco, Carlisle, Flandreau, Haskell, Phoenix, Salem and Sherman will prepare to give four years instruction of those vocational courses which are approved for the school by the Office of Indian Affairs. All nonreservation schools not mentioned may continue to do the work of all grades of the course of study to and including the second year of the vocational division. Nonreservation schools designated to offer full vocational courses should not enroll without special authority pupils of the primary grades who are under fourteen years of age.
1916	1916_09_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	All moneys appropriated or available for Indian school purposes may be expended without restriction as to per capita expenditure for the annual support and education of any one pupil in any Indian school provided that in no event shall the per capita cost at any one school exceed the sum of \$200 per annum (Act of September 7, 1916).
1916	1916_10_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Milk sediment testers will be provided to each school dairy.
1916	1916_10_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	It is the duty of Superintendents through personal inspection of the plants under their charge to eliminate any danger from fire to the greatest extent possible through fire drills, frequent inspections, fire apparatus, maintenance of water system, etc.
1916	1916_10_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	School room lighting requirements.

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1917	1917_02_13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	School shops should be organized and proper instruction given regarding such tools.
1917	1917_03_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Vocational training to be concentrated at the larger, better equipped schools and miscellaneous disorganized enrollment curtailed; Intention to limit in the future the Albuquerque, Chilocco, Carlisle, Flandreau, Haskell, Phoenix, Salem, and Sherman schools to the prevocational and four years vocational enrollment; Bismarck, Springfield, Hayward, Wittenberg, Truxton Canon, Fort Mojave, Fort Bidwell, and Greenville limited to the primary and prevocational divisions; All nonreservation schools not named will be required when the gradation is fully completed to do work of the prevocational division and two years of the vocational division; The Cushman and Salem schools are accorded special provisions due to certain legal conditions.
1917	1917_04_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Certain expenditures excluded when computing per capita cost: Salary of Superintendent, from whatever fund paid; Miscellaneous Receipts; Class IV, School, and moneys termed after deposit in the Treasury "Indian Moneys, Proceeds of Labor, Schools"; construction and repair of real property, including buildings, roads, fences, bridges, drainage or irrigation systems, and protection from floods; permanent equipment and furnishings in the nature of personal property.
1917	1917_04_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Making correction to form 5-240. Form should read "Divide total of number present by number of school days for day schools and by the number of days in calendar month for boarding schools."
1917	1917_05_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Fees received for tuition of either white or Indian pupils in Indian schools must be taken up and accounted for as "Miscellaneous Receipts, Class II."
1917	1917_08_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Calling attention to Declaration of Policy issued April 17, 1917: "Elimination of ineligible pupils from Government Indian Schools: In many of our boarding schools Indian children are being educated at Government expense whose parents are amply able to pay for their education and have public school facilities at or near their homes. Such children shall not hereafter be enrolled in Government Indian schools supported by gratuity appropriations, except on payment of actual per capita cost and transportation." This prohibition will not apply to Indian students already enrolled in a school until their term of enrollment has expired.
1917	1917_11_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information regarding inability to conduct Indian boarding schools within the amounts appropriated for their support for the current fiscal year within the per capita limitation prescribed by law.
1917	1917_12_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	A pupil should not be transferred to a far away school until the capacities of schools within the like geographical area are filled.
1917	1917_12_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 11	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions regarding proper seating, health, hygiene, and well-being of pupils.
1918	1918_03_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Pending legislation which would provide an additional appropriation of \$250,000 to prevent deficiencies in the Indian Schools.
1918	1918_08_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Instructions on how to calculate average attendance after Indian Appropriations Act approved May 25, 1918, changed the word "enrollment" to "attendance." Attendance for one quarter should be determined by dividing the total number of days of attendance by the number of days school is in session. Average attendance for the entire fiscal year will be calculated by adding the attendance for each of the four quarters calculated above and then divide by four. "That hereafter, except for pay of superintendents and for transportation of goods and supplies and transportation of pupils, not more than \$200 shall be expended from appropriations made in this Act, or any other Act, for the annual support and education of any one pupil in any Indian School, unless the attendance in any school shall be less than one hundred pupils, in which case the Secretary of the Interior may authorize a per capita expenditure of not to exceed \$225 . . . Provided further, That the number of pupils in any school entitled to the per capita allowance hereby provided for shall be determined by taking the average attendance for the entire fiscal year and not any fractional part thereof: Provided further, That the foregoing shall also apply to expenditures for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen."
1919	1919_08_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Mandating attention to thoroughness and quality of teaching academic and industrial work going forward.
1919	1919_08_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Although Superintendents should report the number of pupils who remain in school during any vacation period, such attendance must not be included in the numerator in determining average attendance for the actual school session.
1919	1919_10_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	The East Farm Sanatorium, Phoenix, Arizona, which is conducted principally for tubercular pupils of school age whose disease has not progressed beyond the incipient stage, has vacancies for 25 boys or young men and 20 girls or young women suffering from incipient tuberculosis.
1919	1919_11_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Section 13(a) of the Individual Indian Money Regulations is promulgated as follows: "Authority is hereby granted to disburse individual Indian moneys in addition to disbursements under Section 13, in accordance with amendment 9c to the School Rules, from funds belonging to minors, or their parents who have ample financial resources, in such amounts as may be required for their support and education in a Government Indian School, not to exceed \$200 a year, or at the rate of \$20 per month. In addition thereto a sufficient sum may also be disbursed to pay the expenses of transportation to and from such school. In cases where the superintendent believes the child or his parents have sufficient funds to justify paying tuition in a private or mission school, he may turn over to the Indian the necessary amount for that purpose."
1919	1919_12_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Ordering that future interest on individual money held in trust for pupils by Disbursing Officers for nonreservation boarding schools and deposited to the official credit of such officers in local banks be not distributed to the pupils but taken up in accounts of Disbursing Officers as Sundry Receipts and deposited to the credit of the United States, after which it will become "Indian Moneys, Proceeds of Labor, School," and be subject to allotment and expenditure for school purposes. Any open accounts with pupils who have left school and cannot be located, which consist solely of interest credits, will be closed out by transferring the balances to Sundry Receipts by Journal Voucher and depositing them to the credit of the United States as above explained. Any and all former rules and regulations in conflict with this order are hereby revoked.

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1920	1920_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Pamphlet	Pamphlet: Teaching English In Indian Schools.
1920	1920_01_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents should make plans to close certain schools pursuant to the Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year 1921 (H.R. 11368) pending before Congress, which contains the provisions that all reservation boarding schools with an average of less than fifty pupils, and nonreservation boarding schools with an average attendance of less than one hundred pupils, shall be discontinued on or before the beginning of the fiscal year 1921. Superintendents shall make plans accordingly to cease operations on or before July 1, 1920. "While superintendents should exercise every endeavor to keep up the school attendance, yet on the other hand they must not crowd a school beyond its proper capacity, thus endangering possibly the health and well being of the Indian children, nor fail to carry out the provision of the recent amendments to the Indian School Rules."
1921	1921_08_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Chief Superintendent of Indian Education	Where adequate school facilities cannot be made available for all Indian children in reservation or public schools, a designated number of pupils may be sent by the Superintendent to other schools with unused capacity. This will fill the motto "Every eligible pupil in school."
1921	1921_08_20	Entry PI-163 759A	Miscellaneous	Pamphlet: A Synopsis of Changes In The Tentative Course of Study For United States Indian Schools.
1921	1921_12_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Ordering Superintendents of all schools to restrict total expenditures to the amount of each appropriation.
1921	1921_12_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Present method of computing total school enrollment is objectionable and leads to some misapprehension as to actual enrollment in any Indian school during a scholastic year. Superintendents shall count as enrolled during the first quarter only those students who are present in person on the day that school sessions begin in September. Thereafter, they will add thereto any new pupils received from time to time during the balance of the year. No incorrect inflation of enrollment is desired, nor duplication, and, therefore, pupils gathered for transfer to another school should not be counted as enrolled in the school of the jurisdiction from which the transfer is to be immediately made.
1922	1922_01_17	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Minors' funds are to be conserved as far as practicable until a child becomes of age. If a child is in school and parents lack sufficient funds to furnish the children with necessary clothing, authority will be granted to use the minors' funds for this purpose. Their funds may also be used to pay tuition in outside schools when same is for their direct benefit. Requesting opinion as to paragraph 13 of the IIM Regulations concerning disbursement to parents of funds of minors when the children are in Government schools and of no expense to their parents.
1922	1922_04_20	Entry PI-163 759A	Regulation	Pamphlet: Regulations Governing Examinations In The United States Indian Schools.
1922	1922_08_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Certain sums set aside from appropriations for FY 1923 and placed in a "Reserve" account to be drawn upon only in cases of absolute necessity.
1922	1922_09_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	When children who are wards have completed the 8th grade in local public schools and intend to follow an occupation which requires a high school education, he may be enrolled in a nonreservation school if otherwise eligible. Indian schools must be made to reach the greatest possible number of Indian children who without Government assistance will have no opportunity for an education.
1922	1922_11_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Causes of fires at school and methods of prevention.
1923	1923_02_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Proposed operation of one of the Service boarding schools as an exclusively industrial school for Indian boys who are especially in need of reformative training with continued enrollment until the pupil could be properly re-enrolled in a regular school. "It would not be the intention to admit boys who have been merely occasional deserters or more than ordinarily mischievous and at times difficult of control, but only those of sub-normal temperament or so nearly incorrigible as to be manifestly out of place in the typical boarding or day school . . ."
1923	1923_02_26	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Diagnosing and combatting trachoma and tuberculosis in schools.
1923	1923_03_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Restriction on sale of milk, vegetables, and other products at Indian schools until students are provided for.
1923	1923_06_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Pupils who have trachoma, if otherwise eligible, shall be especially encouraged to enroll in Government Indian boarding schools and under no circumstances be denied admission or discriminated against, unless their disease is pronounced incurable by regular medical examination.
1923	1923_06_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students with trachoma may be admitted to Government Indian boarding schools even where a public school is available when the public school denies admission based upon the trachoma diagnosis.
1923	1923_09_26	Entry PI-163 759A	Manual	Pamphlet: Manual for the Cooks in the Indian Service. Prepared Under the Direction of the Chief Supervisor of Education.
1924	1924_04_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students who have not made passing grades should be held for summer school sessions wherever the financial situation permits.
1924	1924_07_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Physical examinations of each pupil should occur twice a year and should be documented on forms that cover a 5-year period.
1924	1924_12_01	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Goal to bring closer contact between Indian home and school. Directing Superintends to arrange at least one day per month when parents can visit and tour the school and observe the children at work.
1924	1924_12_08	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents to report total enrollment and average attendance. Full attendance in every school either to the limit of its capacity or to the limit of the scholastic population available is important.
1925	1925_03_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring that students who have not made passing grades be held for summer school sessions wherever the financial situation permits.

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1925	1925_12_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Measures to prevent spread of trachoma in boarding schools.
1925	1925_12_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Per capita cost of schools set so that not more than \$270 shall be expended from appropriations made in this Act, or any other Act, for the annual support and education of any one pupil in any Indian school, unless the attendance in any school shall be less than two hundred pupils, in which case the Secretary of the Interior may authorize a per capita expenditure of not to exceed \$300.
1926	1926_12_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Drawing attention to School Rules that provides there must be a prepared folder for each student enrolled in an Indian School. "Recently a case has come to the attention of the Office where, from an enrollment of several hundred students, the superintendent, upon request, has been able to give the facts as to only nine individuals."
1927	1927_03_12	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 21	Circular Issued by Director, Education	An x-ray of the lungs must be taken before any child may enter into competitive athletics.
1927	1927_04_13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Crippled children who cannot attend a day school but could profit by attending a boarding school should thus be enrolled.
1927	1927_04_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students who should and can be enrolled in public schools should not be enrolled in reservation or offreservation boarding schools.
1927	1927_05_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	School calendars should be adjusted so that pupils are allowed more free time, relieved from the requirements of a stringent and daily schedule.
1927	1927_08_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Purchase of pianos for use in the Indian schools.
1927	1927_12_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Abolishment of school jails.
1928	1928_01_30	Entry PI-163 759A/Entry PI-163 136A/Box 3	Regulation	Regulations of the Indian Office Indian Schools Approved by the Secretary of the Interior January 30, 1928. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, personnel (Superintendent, Principal, etc.); use of English language; vacation and leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; routine progress reports for students, the outing system; student conduct (e.g., prohibition on gambling and profanity, students expected to attend church to which they belong or for which parents express preference); discipline of students (e.g., discipline devised based on local and individual needs); industrial training (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping); music and singing; student health and welfare (significantly enhanced requirements compared to prior versions of the Rules); student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1928	1928_02_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Fire precautions.
1928	1928_03_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Per capita limits on expenditures at boarding schools excludes pay of Superintendents; transportation of goods and supplies; transportation of pupils; construction and repair of real property, such as buildings, roads, fences, and bridges; drainage and irrigation; flood protection; and equipment of a permanent nature. Per capita cost is computed with regard to expenditures from school support funds only, not including Indian Moneys, School. For schools supported from a general appropriation or appropriations or tribal funds, it isn't necessary to record or report expenditures from each appropriation and fund separately. The per capita cost of these schools can be arrived at without regard to the funds used.
1928	1928_04_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Census index cards must be kept of eligible school children.
1928	1928_07_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 13	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Greater attention to be paid to the variety and quality of food furnished to Indian pupils.
1928	1928_08_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students to be taught about personal finances and budgets when dealing with Individual Indian Moneys.
1928	1928_10_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting inventories of library books.
1928	1928_10_25	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Each school to take immediate steps to place gardening and poultry raising on a large enough scale to meet the school's demands.
1928	1928_11_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requiring Superintendents in charge of schools to produce data showing weight of each pupil when entering the school in September, weight on September 30, and weight on October 31, as well as weight at the beginning of the school and end of school last year.
1929	1929_01_02	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Letter Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Letter to Indian Rights Association providing the cost of food in Indian Boarding Schools for fiscal years 1928 to 1930.
1929	1929_01_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting information pertaining to school libraries and library fund for FY 1930.
1929	1929_01_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	As the result of the success of having pupils in grades 1 to 3 in school all day, pupils in grades 4 and 5 shall now be placed in school all day as rapidly as possible.



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1929	1929_01_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Children who are weakened at any time should receive special care and attention and should not be put on work details requiring arduous or heavy labor.
1929	1929_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Importance of teaching gardening and suggestions for the creation and maintenance of school gardens.
1929	1929_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Academic teachers are directed to use local material in teaching.
1929	1929_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Goal is for schools to be less institutionalized and greater freedom provided to the pupils in effort to give strength of character and enable pupils to make proper decisions after leaving the restraints of school.
1929	1929_01_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Each school in the service giving secondary instruction is directed to make a study of its former students for the purpose of determining whether they are engaged in the vocation for which they were trained.
1929	1929_02_02	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directing the appointment of Citizen Committees to conduct surveys of Indian Boarding Schools following reports in newspapers and magazines alleging students in Government Indian Boarding Schools are not properly fed, clothed, and housed, do not receive proper medical attention, and are cruelly punished.
1929	1929_02_26	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Directions for libraries at boarding schools.
1929	1929_06_08	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 3	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Despite repeal of Act of February 21, 1935 (43 Stat., 958), limiting per capita expenditures at boarding schools, the method of computing per capita cost remains the same.
1929	1929_07_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Manual	Pamphlet: Manual for Cooks in the Indian Service.
1929	1929_07_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Importance of having the schools filled to capacity for the ensuing year, but without any overcrowding. Care to be exercised not to permit the enrollment in Government schools of those who are ineligible in accordance with existing law or instructions from the Bureau or who should be in attendance in schools at their homes.
1929	1929_09_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs	In view of the acknowledged need for reducing the amount of manual labor now being required of pupils, industrial activities are to be for educational purposes only and not for production.
1929	1929_09_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Superintendent of Education	Suggestions for new textbooks.
1929	1929_11_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requirement to weigh students regularly in schools.
1929	1929_11_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting consideration regarding whether it is advisable to adopt the legal and customary procedures of the state in which the school is located when matters of student government in the Indian schools cannot be controlled under present Office instructions. Is it advisable to encourage a measure of student self-government?
1929	1929_11-13	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Requesting immediate attention to adequate provisions for pupils, including adequate food, including especially fresh fruit, vegetables, and milk, sufficient clothing, relief from an undue amount of routine labor, etc.
1929	1929_12_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	School instruction should be modified to relate to the experiences and present life needs of the pupils.
1930	1930_01_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Shoe requirements for reservation vs. nonreservation schools.
1930	1930_03_10	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Superintendents should take an active interest in the placement and employment of every pupil during the vacation and in the permanent placement of those who may, for any reason, not return to school.
1930	1930_03_20	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	For purposes of United States Census, all children at boarding schools should be enumerated (counted) from their permanent homes, except those orphan children who have no homes other than the school.
1930	1930_03_20	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Discussing school discipline issues and solutions, including representative students and faculty from each junior and senior high school to develop a code of desirable behavior to be printed as a handbook.
1930	1930_03_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Subsistence requirements for coming school year to be submitted, and fresh fruits and vegetables must be provided for the entire school year.
1930	1930_05_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Every effort should be made to have the Indian school library fully available.
1930	1930_06_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	"Each year an appropriation is set aside for the support and education of deaf, dumb, and blind Indian children and the Office is especially anxious that such children receive every educational advantage possible." Parents of deaf, dumb, blind, and mentally or physically defective children should be interviewed to ascertain whether or not they are willing to place their children in proper schools. No pupils may be placed in an institution where payment is required until authorization is first secured from the Office of Indian Affairs.
1931	1931_04_10	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	The development of the Scout program among Indian boys and girls is a valuable auxiliary program in Indian education. The Boy Scouts of America to conduct three training institutes under the direction of Stanley A. Harris, National Director of Interracial Activities of the Boy Scouts of America.

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1931	1931_05_20	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Recommending that children not be retained at school for the purpose of a month's intensive drill on a few facts and skills that they have failed to acquire during the regular school year. Suggest that those boarding schools where for economic or other reasons children remain during the summer, that a definite part of each day is for an activity program, including plays and games, industrial arts, music, drills, and hikes, and that activities take place outside when possible.
1931	1931_05_25	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Two training institutes for boys' advisers to be held.
1931	1931_05_26	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 4	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Certain unexpended appropriations from fiscal year 1932 are extended at certain boarding schools. Unexpended balances from FY1931 must be deposited to the credit of the United States as promptly as possible after July 1, 1931. When that is done and the funds are transferred to the new titles they will be available for allotment, authorization, and advancement for use in the fiscal year 1932.
1931	1931_07_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Principles for enrolling students in school for the year, including avoiding enrolling young children who are within reach of public or day school facilities unless, after investigation, home conditions are found to be such as to make it extremely difficult for them to remain at home.
1931	1931_09_01	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Report Issued by Director of Education	Reporting on study of the work being conducted for Indian boys in the Government schools and on the reservations.
1931	1931_12_03	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Enclosing copy of the report on the Boys' Advisers Training Institute.
1932	1932_01_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding study being undertaken to determine whether and to what extent trachoma is spread in boarding schools for Indian children.
1932	1932_05_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Desire of Office of Indian Affairs to do as much "selective recruiting" (i.e., selected in terms of ability to profit from offerings) as possible for students to be enrolled in nonreservation schools.
1932	1932_05_19	Entry PI-163 1387	Letter	Concerning discussions of specialization of the work of the schools.
1933	1933_03_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Proposal to exclude children of employees of Indian blood from enrollment in Indian boarding schools.
1933	1933_07_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Rules for enrollment in nonreservation boarding schools, especially in light of the reduction of between four and five thousand places.
1933	1933_09_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Due to active cases of tuberculosis, special examination of school children prior to departure from reservation with a second careful physical examination upon arrival at boarding school.
1933	1933_10_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Disposition of surplus dairy stock at Indian schools and Sanatoria to Indians.
1934	1934_00_00	Entry PI-163 759A	Miscellaneous	Joseph C. McCaskill's <i>The Boys' Adviser In The Government Boarding Schools For Indians</i> .
1934	1934_01_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14/Entry PI-163 136A/Box 3	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Circular is to be given the widest, most effective publicity and to be treated "as an instruction superseding any prior regulation, instruction, or practice" with a directive that "No interference with Indian religious life or ceremonial expression will hereafter be tolerated. The cultural liberty of Indians is in all respects to be considered equal to that of any non-Indian group. And it is desirable that Indians be bi-lingual -- fluent and literate in the English language and fluent in their vital, beautiful and efficient native languages. . . . Violations of law or of the proprieties, if committed under the cloak of any religion, Indian or other, or any cultural tradition, Indian or other, are to be dealt with as such . . . The fullest constitutional liberty, in all matters affecting religion, conscience and culture, is insisted on for all Indians. In addition, an affirmative, appreciative attitude toward Indian cultural values is desired in the Indian Service."
1934	1934_01_15	Entry PI-163 136A/Box 3	Regulation	Regulations for Religious Worship and Instruction Amendment No. 2.
1934	1934_05_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 14	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Rules for enrollment in both reservation and nonreservation boarding schools, especially in light of the reduction of boarding school capacity.
1934	1934_05_26	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Transmitting regulations for religious worship and instruction in schools.
1934	1934_08_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	"Of the seven cases of corporal punishment and of humiliating punishments therein referred to, all except one were reported by one supervisor from a single area of the Indian country. It is highly unlikely that abuses of this character exist in one area and are absent from all other areas." Field Supervisors and Superintendents are requested to investigate any allegations of abuse.
1934	1934_09_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 4	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Discontinuance of impoundment of vacancy savings.
1935	1935_01_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Each reservation Superintendent and nonreservation boarding school is directed immediately to appoint a local Committee on Educational Loans, In-Service Training, and Indian Employment.
1935	1935_02_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Rules for fire protection at boarding schools.
1935	1935_03_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Procedures to be followed by Committees on Educational Loans, In-Service Training, and Indian Employment.

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1935	1935_03_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	When an Indian child needs glasses and personal or family funds are not available, the school support fund is applicable if the child is enrolled in a boarding school.
1935	1935_05_06	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Special summer schools being organized for several different classes of Indian children.
1935	1935_06_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Rules for Admission to Nonreservation Boarding Schools -- The secondary nonreservation boarding school is primarily a vocational training school for Indian youth of one-fourth or more Indian blood who have completed the eight grades or the equivalent or have the maturity and the ability to profit by the course offered.
1935	1935_06_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regulations relative to admission to nonreservation boarding schools.
1935	1935_07_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Permanent School Census Card.
1935	1935_07_29	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Acting Director of Education	Report setting forth constructive suggestions for dealing with misconduct without resorting to regimentation or punishment.
1935	1935_09_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Aid to students in high schools and colleges.
1936	1936_02_19	Entry PI-163 136A/Box 3	Letter Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Discussing the general policy of the Indian Office concerning religious instruction in Indian schools: "The fullest constitutional liberty, in all matters affecting religion, conscience and culture, is insisted on for all Indians."
1936	1936_05_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Revised pupil's physical examination and health record.
1936	1936_05_16	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Supplements Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Health supervision of pupils by classroom teachers, matrons, and advisers.
1936	1936_06_25	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Uniform instructions for school buses.
1936	1936_07_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	First aid and medicine cabinets in schools.
1936	1936_07_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Assistant Director of Education	Considerations for opening date of nonreservation boarding schools.
1936	1936_07_23	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Assistant Director of Education	Aid to students in high schools and colleges.
1936	1936_10_24	Entry PI-163 136A/Box 3	Regulation	Regulations for Religious Worship and Instruction Amendment No. 3.
1937	1937_00_00	Entry PI-163 136A	Compilation	Compilation of regulations from 1937 covering Education and Medical.
1937	1937_03_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Director of Education	X-ray of lungs must be taken before any child may enter in competitive athletics.
1937	1937_03_22	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 21	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding rules and regulations for educational loans.
1937	1937_04_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Beginning September 1, 1937, enrollment in the Commercial Department of Haskell Institute will be on a tuition and working scholarship basis.
1937	1937_05_19	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Procedures for medical exams of students.
1937	1937_06_21	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Indian Service Summer Schools last minute information.
1937	1937_12_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	In cases where the pupil or family can properly bear the expense of transporting the children to school, they should do so. But no child should be refused enrollment, when otherwise eligible for enrollment, because he cannot pay his transportation costs. Reservation superintendents are in a position to be able to determine whether the transportation can be met by the student.
1938	1938_02_07	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Requesting estimated student headcount to calculate required summer subsistence at boarding schools.
1938	1938_03_31	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 6	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Opportunities for Indian Youth in Institutions of higher education.
1939	1939_03_11	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 15	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Policy in handling educational loans and the procedure to follow in applying for such aid.

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1939	1939_04_18	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Progress record of livestock ownership by students.
1939	1939_05_22	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Preparing school census report for 1939.
1940	1940_02_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	New treatment program for trachoma using sulfanilamide.
1940	1940_06_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Books and supplies are separate from "tuition" and cannot be paid for from "Indian Schools, Support (Higher Education)."
1940	1940_11_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Regarding the collection of tuition on account of white children attending government boarding and day schools pursuant to the Acts of March 1, 1907 (34 Stats.L.), and March 3, 1909 (35 Stat.L. 783).
1940	1940_11_08	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	At least one copy of the book "As Long As The Grass Shall Grow" by Oliver LaFarge to be available in each school library. Book gives a study of the problems of the American Indian from early times to date.
1941	1941_02_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Guidance on planning for enrollment of Indian children in school next year.
1941	1941_06_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Procedural changes in connection with the collection of tuition charges for training or retraining for employment in industries, with particular reference to those relating to National Defense.
1941	1941_07_01	Entry PI-163 136A	Manual	1941 Manual for the Indian School Service. Rules govern virtually all aspects of schools in great detail including, among other things, duties of officers and employees (Superintendent, Principal, etc.); use of English language, but use of native languages is not to be forbidden or discouraged and experimental teaching in certain native languages is contemplated; leaves of absence; enrollment and transfer of students; buildings and grounds; discipline of students (e.g., prohibition on corporal or degrading punishment); vocational training; homelife as a basis for instruction (e.g., gardening, farming, care of animals, housekeeping); encouraging students to write letters home regularly to maintain close relationship between students and their homes; student health and welfare (significantly enhanced requirements compared to prior versions of the Rules); student death reporting; school furnishings; student toiletries; student meals; student clothing; and fire safety.
1941	1941_11_27	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 16	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Priority of training students in growing crops and animal husbandry as part of land use program policy in rural schools. Student Enterprise Agreements have been prepared for that purpose.
1942	1942_01_15	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Discussing training in trades needed for the war effort that are offered by the Indian Service.
1942	1942_02_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Summer Term at Haskell Institute for training for national defense.
1942	1942_02_09	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 16	Circular Issued by Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Students who commit crimes, application of the Federal Juvenile Delinquency Act of June 16, 1938 (52 Stat. 764; Indian Office Circular 3278 dated November 17, 1938), whether state courts have authority to commit Indian youth to a state industrial school, and other jurisdictional issues.
1942	1942_02_12	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Older students seeking specific technical training which will equip them for employment in the war industries may now be enrolled without tuition or subsistence.
1942	1942_02_14	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Requesting anticipated student headcount to plan for summer subsistence needs at boarding schools.
1942	1942_04_02	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 14	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Summer terms at Flandreau Indian Vocational High School and Sherman Institute for training for war industries.
1943	1943_10_01	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 13/Entry PI-163 132B/Box 14	Circular Issued by Chicago Office of Indian Affairs	Regarding rationing as it affects the use of ration books of stamps belonging to students and patients in boarding schools and hospitals.
1943	1943_10_05	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 7	Circular Issued by Associate Director of Education	Annual School Reports replace customary quarterly reports with special reports for summer activities and other special reports on enrollment and attendance or other items from time to time as the need for special information arises.
1945	1945_07_03	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 8	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Congress lowered the authorized enrollments for which appropriations are made following a loss of enrollment due to students who have entered the armed forces or have found employment. Appropriations are based on average daily attendance.
1946	1946_02_06	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 12	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Summary of revised appropriations for 1947.
1946	1946_05_28	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 17	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Supplemental data for budget estimates for fiscal year 1948.
1946	1946_06_04	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 17	Circular Issued by Director of Education	Regarding attendance of veterans at Indian Service boarding or day school.

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1946	1946_10_25	Entry PI-163 136A	Circular (Other)	Priority of training students in growing crops and animal husbandry as part of land use program policy in rural schools. Generally accepted policy that students in such schools will participate in crop and livestock farming either as part or full owners of the crops or animals, particularly where operations can be conducted under real farming conditions. Discussing student enterprise agreements.
1947	1947_05_23	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 14	Circular Issued by Chicago Office of Indian Affairs	Summer schools at Santa Fe and Chemawa to be held as planned despite present uncertainty with regard to the proposed closing of some boarding schools in the Indian Service.
1948	1948_04_22	Entry PI-163 132B/Box 14	Circular Issued by Acting Commission of Indian Affairs	Census report of Indian school children not required for 1948.
1948	1948_06_24	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 17	Circular Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Regarding payment of tuition for veterans enrolled in Indian Service Schools.
1948	1948_08_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 8	Memorandum Issued by Acting Chief Administrative Officer of BIA	Request for 1950 Budget information.
1950	1950_01_30	NARA Microfilm Publication M1121, Reel 4	Order Issued by Commissioner of Indian Affairs	Student laborers for whom no formal trainee or apprenticeship programs have been initiated are exempt from the minimum wage policy.
1952	1952_06_17	Entry PI-163 132B	Memo	Effective immediately, no California Indian children are to be accepted in boarding schools operated by BIA following the implementation of withdrawal programs in California.