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Mescalero & Jicauilla Agency
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Llewellyn, Wm. H.,
Indian Agent

Applies to have 50
children sent to Carlisle
School from the Mescalero
& Jicauilla Indians.

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United States Indian Service,

Mescalero & Jicarilla Agency,
South Fork N. M. Feb 2^a, 1884

Hon. H. Price,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Washington, D. C.

Sir,

Now that these Mescaleros and Jicarillas have seen the Carlisle school, and have a good opinion of the institution, talking about it, praising it, and discussing its merits among themselves, it would be very desirable, and I think wise, to at once select about 50 of their children to be sent to the school.

I have already spoken to the principal men on this subject, and I apprehend no obstacles to my success in obtaining the above number of children from among them, cheerfully. The sooner this is done the better, as they are now enthusiastic over the matter, and clearly see the benefits that will accrue to the tribes thereby. They also see very well

that in a few years they will be expected to be in a condition to help themselves, and therefore fully comprehend now the necessity of having, among their own people, persons possessed of intelligence and some education to conduct and direct their affairs, especially when in business intercourse with their white neighbors.

The cost to send 50 children from here to Carlisle, would be, approximately, as follows:

Hire of 5 teams to take children to Las Cruces, N. M., nearest railroad station, 100 miles, — each \$25 — —	125. ⁰⁰
Expenses, incidental, enroute	10. ⁰⁰
Railroad fare from Las Cruces to Kansas City over the A. T. & S. F. R. R., which route I would recommend as the most practicable	Usual rates
Railroad fare from Kansas City to Carlisle	To be arranged by Indian office

Expense of one person (or better two persons, to relieve each other, day and night) accompanying and in charge, conducting & taking care of children, while enroute, 2 weeks, going & returning, including RR fare, meals, salary & incidentals,

if 2 persons, each \$250.

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Incidentals, provisions for children, enroute, 1 week - - - }

85⁰⁰

Some of these expenditures may be reduced, by special arrangements made by Indian office, or the Carlisle School authorities,

I respectfully & specially request that this subject receive early consideration, and if favorable, some action be taken at once

Very Respectfully
 W. H. H. Steele
 U.S. Indian Agent