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Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

BRIEF



Application of

Lena Pelcher

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

of three years

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

POST-OFFICE ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Date of enrollment..... 191.....

Term of enrollment..... (.....) years

Important—Only those students who desire to come to Carlisle because they have a definite purpose in view will be admitted. Applications for enrollment must be submitted in all cases for consideration before transportation can be made available. Time will then be taken to find out the records students have made in the schools previously attended, and to secure recommendations as to their *moral character* and their worthiness for further attendance at a Government institution.

Application for Enrollment in a Non-Reservation School.

(For a child not enrolled at an Agency.)

For and in consideration of the United States assuming the care, education, and maintenance in the United States Indian School at Carlisle Indian School, of Leona Pelcher Female, I, Maria Pelcher (Name of child.) (Sex.) (Parent, Guardian, or next of kin.) of Mt Pleasant P. O., State of Michigan, do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to her enrollment in said school for a period of three years, and also obligates and bind myself to abide by all the rules and regulations for Indian schools. (Not less than three.)

I further say that the said child was born at Isabella on Oct 2 1898 (Date.) that the father, Moses Pelcher, is a first Indian of the Chippewa (Name.) (Is or was.) (Degree.) Tribe located at Mt Pleasant Agency; that he left the tribe about _____; (Approximate date) that the mother, Maria Pelcher, is a first Indian of the Chippewa (Name.) (Is or was.) (Degree.) Tribe located at Mt Pleasant Agency, and left the tribe about _____; (Approximate date) that the said child was born and reared in the United States, and now actually resides therein; and that he has attended the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL—PUBLIC, GOVERNMENT, OR MISSION.	LOCATED AT—	DATE OF ENROLLMENT.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE.	GRADE.
<u>Public School near Isabella</u>	<u>Isabella</u>	<u>1907</u>	<u>1913</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>5</u>

This 20th day of September, 1915

Two witnesses:

Wm. Pelcher
Mrs Lucy Pelcher

Mrs Maria Pelcher
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)
P. O. Mt Pleasant Mich

(NOTE.—Every blank in this application must be properly filled out by the applicant, in his own handwriting, if possible. The signature, whether by mark or otherwise, must be attested by two witnesses.)

AFFIDAVIT.

I, Mrs Maria Pelcher, do hereby swear that the statements made in the above application are true.

Lucy Pelcher Maria Pelcher
(Signature of applicant.) (Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of Sept, 1915

Thomas L. Ray Notary Public

(NOTE.—This application and affidavit must be executed before some officer authorized to administer oaths by the parent with whom the child is living; if the parents are dead, by the guardian or next of kin.)

My com Expires July 15
1916

Certificate of Physician.

I, B. H. Johnston, a practicing physician of Rosebush
Mich., do hereby certify that I have carefully examined Lena Pelcher,
the child named in this application, and find that she is in proper physical condition to attend
school, and is not afflicted with tuberculosis or other disease which would be a menace to the health
of other pupils.

This 25th day of Sept, 1915

B. H. Johnston, M. D.

Vouchers of Disinterested Persons.

VOUCHER No. 1.

I, Nat Whitney Director of School District no 4 of
Township of Isabella, (Business, calling, or profession.)
do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with

Maria Pelcher who makes the foregoing application; that I believe her state-
ments therein are true; that I am acquainted with Lena Pelcher;
(Name of Child.)

She is known and recognized in the community in which she lives as an Indian; and that in my opinion
she can not receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that she had

poor health and that she is well and
healthy now.

This 25 day of Sept, 1915

Nat Whitney

VOUCHER No. 2.

I, Wm. Thering, a Farmer of Isabella of
Co. Mich., (Business, calling, or profession.)

do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with
Maria Pelcher, who makes the foregoing application; that I believe her state-
ments therein are true; that I am acquainted with Lena Pelcher;
(Name of Child.)

She is known and recognized in the community in which she lives as an Indian; and that in my opinion
she cannot receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that she

don't want to go to public school any
more and would like to learn a trade.

This 25 day of Sept, 1915

Wm. Thering

Certificate of School Physician.

I hereby certify that on _____, I made a careful examination
(As soon after arrival as possible.)
of the physical condition of _____, the child named in the fore-
going application, and found _____ to be _____

I therefore recommend that the said child be _____ enrolled in this school.

This _____ day of _____, 191_____

School Physician.

INDORSEMENT.

A child showing one-sixteenth or less Indian blood, whose parents live on an Indian reservation, Indian fashion, who, if debarred from the Government schools, could not obtain an education, may be permitted in the reservation day and boarding schools, but it is preferable that it be not transferred to a nonreservation school, without permission from the Office. Children showing one-eighth or less Indian blood, whose parents do not live on an Indian reservation, whose home is among white people where there are churches and schools, who are presumed to have adopted the white man's manners and customs, and are to all intents and purposes white people, are debarred from enrollment in the Government nonreservation and reservation schools. Superintendents, in all cases where doubt exists as to the degree of Indian blood of a child proposed for transfer, should fully satisfy themselves of the facts by affidavits from reliable persons, which affidavits must be kept on file at the school.

A pupil who has been regularly enrolled in a nonreservation school must not be taken to any other non-reservation school without the consent of both Superintendents and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Superintendents will be held to strict accountability for such pupils taken to their schools.

A pupil dismissed from school for cause must not be enrolled in any other school without the permission of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Full facts must be submitted with each request.



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DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

SHAW-WALKER, MUSKOGON, MICHIGAN. 43445

$\frac{1}{2}$ mi. to school

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Carlisle, Pa.
Jan. 19th., 1916.

Mr. Meyer:

Neither Lena nor Cecilia Pelcher are very strong, both having been treated for minor ailments at various times. Lena has had glandular tuberculosis in the past and there is no assurance but that she may become tubercular at some future period. Just now, however, there is nothing really seriously wrong with the girl and I hardly feel that I should recommend her immediate dismissal.

Respectfully,

Walter Lindstrom M. N.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Carlisle, Pa.

Jan. 7th., 1916

Mr. Meyer:

Lena Pelcher and Cecilia Pelcher are both in the hospital at this time. They had the Grippe, which in Lena's case was followed by neuralgia of the face and in Cecilia's case by a running ear. Neither Girl is at all serious. There is no good reason for sending them home on account of health conditions.

Chas. Cox's home station is

Walthill, Nebraska -

William Pelcher's home station is

Rosebush, Michigan

Respectfully,

Walter Rindtloff M.D.

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Jan. 31st, 1916.

Mrs. Isaac (Pelcher)

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

My dear Madam:

In reply to that part of your letter of recent date which conveys to me the request from Mr. and Mrs. Moses Pelcher that their daughter (Lena) be sent home, this is to state that favorable consideration cannot be given the request until an amount required to pay for the girl's return to Carlisle after the termination of her period of leave is deposited here. If her permanent release from Carlisle is to be effected it will be required that her parents reimburse the government for the amount that had to be expended to bring Lena to Carlisle last fall.

Will you please have me advised further what action the parents of the girl desire to have taken?

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

(Copy to Mr. and Mrs. Moses Pelcher.)

Jan. 31st, 1916.

Mrs. Isaac Pelcher,

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

My dear Madam:

Referring to that part of your letter of recent date in which the return home of Celia Pelcher is requested, this is to inform you that arrangements are being made to have her leave here tomorrow afternoon. A ticket for her use to Rosebush is being procured and she should arrive at that station between one and two o'clock on the afternoon of February 2nd.

Favorable consideration is being given the request of Celia's parents because there seems to be a need of her services at home and because she came to Carlisle at her own expense for transportation.

Please notify me when Celia has arrived at home so that our records will be complete.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

(Copy to Mr. Joe Pelcher.)

Mt. Pleasant Mich
Jan 22. 1916.

Supt Mr. Lipps
Indian School
Carlisle Pennsylvania
Dear Sir:

Just a few lines
this afternoon. Mr & Mrs Joe
Belcher want their daughter
Celia Belcher to come home
right away for Celia Aunt
is awfully sick, she is
wanting to help taking care
of ~~her~~ sick body.

beside they are building
 a new house ^{Mr} mother got lot
 of work to do. money has
 send hi her to come home
~~hope~~ Mr & Mrs Moses Pelcher
 want their daughter Lena
 Pelcher also, to come home
 that if she wants to and
 money has been send to her
 also.

But Mr & Mrs Joe Pelcher
 want their daughter Celia to come
 home the worse way to take care
 brother William Pelcher is sick

to much work to mother
to home hoping you give
them orders to come home
soon Respectfully yours
Mrs. Isaac Pelcher

P.S.

Elia Pelcher father address
Mr Joe Pelcher
Clara
Michigan

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Jan. 20th, 1916.

Mrs. Moses Pelcher,

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

My dear Madam:

When your letter of the 17th instant in regard to a complaint that has come to you from Lena Pelcher that she is not well was received here it was referred to our School Physician. A statement as follows has been submitted by the Physician:

"Neither Lena nor Cecelia Pelcher are very strong, both having been treated for minor ailments at various times. Lena has had glandular tuberculosis in the past and there is no assurance but that she may become tubercular at some future period. Just now, however, there is nothing really serious wrong with the girl and I hardly feel that I should recommend her immediate dismissal."

The young lady has been seen at this office and has been questioned about the necessity for her return home. Although she has evidently never been a very robust girl the chief cause for her complaint seems to be that she wants to get home.

-2- Mrs. Moses Pelcher.

There is now no reason why she should not continue with her work here, but if you insist on having her at home I must request you to reimburse the Government for the amount that was expended to bring her to Carlisle.

Will you let me hear from you again in regard to this matter?

Very truly yours,

HMM.

Acting Superintendent.

(Copy to Superintendent Cochran.)

ant Wick
Jan, 17, 1916,

Respt - Mr. Lipps.
Carlisle Pa.

Dear sir,

Just a few
lines this morning.
I learn that Lene Pelcher
is sick most the time,
and she think that she
can not stand to stay
in school account of her
poor health and I would
like to have her come home
soon before she gets worse
again. I think she got
enough money to use way

friend
Mrs. Mares Pelcher
hopes to hear from you
soon.

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March 15th, 1916.

Mr. Moses Pelcher.

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

My dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 7th instant, with which you enclosed a Money Order in the sum of \$16.75 to reimburse the Government for the amount that had to be expended to bring your daughter Lena to Carlisle last fall.

This is also to advise you that Lena has deposited an amount of \$18.00 with me to pay for her transportation home and that arrangements are being made at her request so that she can leave here on Monday afternoon of next week. She should arrive at your home the following afternoon, Tuesday, March the 21st.

A small balance of the \$18.00 deposited will not be required to pay for Lena's ticket and that amount will be given her to pay for incidental traveling expenses enroute home. That should enable her to make the trip without discomfort and after she has arrived at your home please let me hear from you.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

at Pleasant Mich,

March 7th 1916

Dear Sir, -

Mr & Mrs. Moses Pelcher
desire their daughter Lena
Pelcher to come home for
she is complaining she's not
in good health for lack
of your doctor's assistance
and we are enclosing \$16.75
to pay her fare up to Carlisle
last fall and we send her
money before.

34.75
B. M. Peck
3-15-16

Yours Truly
Moses Pelcher

4480

March 31, 1916

Miss Lena Pelcher,
c/o Moses Pelcher,
Rosebush, Mich.

My dear Lena:

I am enclosing herewith for your signature a certificate of payor for the \$16.73 refunded by you for the cost of your ticket from Mount Pleasant, Mich., to Carlisle last fall. I had this ready for your signature before you left but overlooked the matter. I am enclosing herewith a franked envelope for the return of the certificate after you have signed same. It requires no postage.

Your early attention to this will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

CVP:LG
Encl.

CARLISLE INDIAN SCHOOL

4450

No. 3084

NAME.

Pelcher, Lena

AGE.

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TRIBE.

Chippewa

DEGREE
OF
INDIAN
BLOOD.
F

NAME OF AGENCY AND RESER-
VATION, IF ENROLLED; IF NOT,
POST OFFICE OF FAMILY.

Int. Pleasant, Mich.

DATE ENTERED.

Months
in
school
before
enroll-
ment
here.

IN WHAT GRADE
OR ROOM.

On
entering
here.

At date
of this
report.

Distance
to nearest
public
school
from
pupil's
home.

REMARKS.

(Temporarily absent, outing, deserters, on sick leave,
special authorities for enrollment, etc.)

5 y.

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1/2 m.

TO COUNTRY

FROM COUNTRY

DATE DISCHARGED

3-20-16

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~ 1899 ~

Progress from _____, to _____.

(Date)

(Date)

FIRST YEAR IN THIS SCHOOL

SEPT.

OCT.

NOV.

DEC.

JAN.

FEB.

MAR.

APR.

Class or grade

Academic standing*

Industrial standing*
(Department)

Musical: Band standing*

Vocal standing*

Orchestra standing*

Deportment standing*

Physical condition

Remarks: