

CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

4729

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

NUMBER 5533	ENGLISH NAME Joe Bear Chief Blackfeet	AGENCY Piegan	NATION Piegan
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS Sept. Blackfeet Agency	
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD	BLOOD 4/4	AGE 16	HEIGHT 5 ft.
FATHER D.	MOTHER D.	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Sept. 10, 1916	FOR WHAT PERIOD Three years	DATE DISCHARGED June 12, 1917	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Sickness
TO COUNTRY	PATRON'S NAME AND ADDRESS	FROM COUNTRY	

SHAW-WALKER, MUSKOGEE, MICHIGAN. 43445

Months in school before Carlisle, 72.

Grade entered at Carlisle,

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church, Catholic

No.

NAME.

AGE.

TRIBE.

DEGREE
OF
INDIAN
BLOOD.

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

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.)

TO COUNTRY

FROM COUNTRY

DATE DISCHARGED _____

JUN 1 2 1917

Cach.

~ 1639 ~

Progress from _____, to _____,
(Date) (Date)

(Date)

(Date)

FIRST YEAR IN THIS SCHOOL

SEPT.

OCT.

NOV.

DEC.

JAN.

FEB.

MAR.

APR.

[illegible][illegible]

Industrial standing*
(Department)

(Department)

Musical: Band	standing*								
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[illegible]

Orchestra.....standing*

Department	standing*								
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Physical condition _____

Remarks: _____

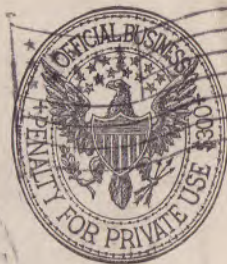
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,
INDIAN SCHOOL
Carlisle, Pa,

4729

UNCLAIMED

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Joseph Bear Chief
Browning, Montana.



CERTIFICATE OF PROMOTION

May 24, 1917, 191

This certifies that Joseph Bearchief
(Name of student.)
 has made the following record in Carlisle Indian School
(Name of school.)

SUBJECTS—ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL.	GRADE.	RATING.
English	111	67
Arithmetic		58
Music		75
Writing		80
Drawing		85
Civics		50

Effort _____

Depotment _____

DETAILS SERVED.	LENGTH OF TIME IN EACH.	RATING.
General Work		80

and ~~xxx~~ is not eligible to pursue work in the Fourth grade, academic; and
(Cancel one.)
 _____ grade or year vocational.

8-4659

Superintendent.

Principal.

5-192a

BRIEF.

APPLICATION OF

C. L. Ellis

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

Joe Bear Chief

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

Cashile

NAME OF AGENCY FROM WHICH PUPIL CAME:

Blackfeet

Date of enrollment, *Sept*, 191*6*

Term of enrollment, *Three* (*3*) years.

NAME OF PERSON ARRANGING FOR THE TRANSFER:

Position, _____

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN A NONRESERVATION SCHOOL.

(For a child enrolled at an Agency.)

For and in consideration of the Government of the United States assuming the care, education, and maintenance in the United States Indian School at Carlisle Pa

of Joe Bear Chief; M; age 16; date of birth 1900;
(Name of child.) (Sex.)
Piegau
(Tribe.)

NAME OF FATHER. (Both Indian and English.)	LIVING OR DEAD.	TRIBE.	BAND.	DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD.
<u>Bear Chief</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Piegau</u>		<u>F</u>
<u>Ethene Shield</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>F</u>

I, C. I. Ellis Supt., do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to his
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)
 enrollment in said school for a period of 3 years, and also obligate myself to abide by
(Not less than 3.)
 all the rules and regulations for Indian schools.

The said child has been enrolled in the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL.	DATE OF ENROLLMENT.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	CAUSE.	GRADE.
<u>U.S. Mission</u>	<u>1911</u>	<u>1916</u>	<u>Transfer</u>	<u>5th</u>
2.				
3.				
4.				

C. I. Ellis Supt.
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)

P. O. address: Browning Mont

Two witnesses:

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that I have this day carefully examined the above-named child herein proposed for transfer and find him to be in proper physical condition to attend school, and not afflicted with tuberculosis or any disease which would be a menace to the health of other pupils. excepting trachoma

This 11th day of Aug, 1916

Leslie J. Stauffer

Physician at Blackfoot Agency.

CERTIFICATE OF AGENT OR BONDED SUPERINTENDENT.

I hereby certify that the statements made in the foregoing application and certificate, to the best of my knowledge and belief, are true; that the consent of C. J. Ellis
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)
was voluntary.

(Here state whether the child lives within reach of a public school, whether the State laws permit it to enroll therein, and if it lives near the public school why it can not attend such school.)

Does not live in vicinity of
public school

I recommend the transfer of the said child.

This 11th day of Aug, 1916

C. J. Ellis

Agent or Superintendent.

CERTIFICATE OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

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

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

This _____ day of _____, 191 _____

School Physician.

SPECIAL NOTE.

This form must be executed in duplicate when a child is transferred from a reservation to a nonreservation school. The Superintendent of the nonreservation school will retain the original for his files, and the duplicate shall be deposited in the reservation school records. The reservation superintendent should send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate as provided by law. All the blanks must be properly filled in every case.

If the information called for on any part of the blank is not known, that fact should be stated. No space should be left unfilled. Whether the parents are living or dead, their names must be given.

The person who signs the blank as consenting to the transfer should indicate his relation to the applicant by marking out the word "parent," "guardian," or "next of kin," leaving unmarked only the title appropriate to the signer.

INDORSEMENTS.

The laws relating to the transfer of Indian children from reservations and schools are as follows:

That hereafter no Indian child shall be sent from any Indian reservation to a school beyond the State or Territory in which said reservation is situated without the voluntary consent of the father or mother of such child if either of them are living, and if neither of them are living without the voluntary consent of the next of kin of such child. Such consent shall be made before the agent of the reservation, and he shall send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate that such consent has been voluntarily given before such child shall be removed from such reservation. And it shall be unlawful for any Indian agent or other employee of the Government to induce, or seek to induce, by withholding rations or by other improper means, the parents or next of kin of any Indian to consent to the removal of any Indian child beyond the limits of any reservation. (28 Stats., p. 906.)

Provided, That hereafter no Indian child shall be taken from any school in any State or Territory to a school in any other State against its will or without the written consent of its parents. (29 Stats., p. 348.)

That no Indian pupil under the age of fourteen years shall be transported at Government expense to any Indian school beyond the limits of the State or Territory in which the parents of such child reside or of the adjoining State or Territory. (35 Stat. L., 781.)

The rules provide that—

A pupil who has been regularly enrolled in a nonreservation school must not be taken to any other nonreservation 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.

An Indian boy or girl 18 years old and over may, without the consent of parents or others, personally sign the application form on its being changed to suit the case; but in all cases where the parents are living they should first be consulted.

This form is to be used only in transfers from reservations or Indian schools to nonreservation schools.

NAME

Joe Bear Chief

Sex ☒ Male.
☐ Female.Tribe ☒ Full ☐ Part

Piegan

State

Montana

August 11, 1916

Age 16 years

Respiration 18 per min.

Condition of, Eyes Trachoma present.

Height 5 ft. 7 ins.

Mensuration ☒ Insp. 35

Ears Full of wax.

Weight 133 lbs.

Mensuration ☒ Exp. 32

Throat normal.

Temperature 96

Vaccination not successfully. Vaccinated today

Cervical glands normal

Pulse 50 per min.

Vision Left eye 20/30

Skin normal

Inspection normal.

Vision Right eye 20/40

Palpation normal.

Percussion normal.

Auscultation normal.

Heart Normal except for the bradycardia

(Menstruation)

FAMILY HISTORY.

	LIVING.	CONDITION OF HEALTH.	DEAD.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
Father	45	good	50	Pneumonia
Mother			50	Pneumonia
Brothers	35	good	Has many brothers and sisters who have died.	
Sisters	25	good	but applicant does not know their ages at death or what the complaint of which they died	

Personal history

Applicant attended the Holy Family Mission Catholic Boarding School for the past five years. The instruction at this institution seems to be spiritual rather than academic.

Present condition

He understands the English language very poorly owing to inadequate academic training. Physical condition satisfactory.

Leslie J. Stauffer, M. D.
Brookings, Montana

This form is for the record of the physical condition of pupils of boarding or nonreservation Indian schools. It should be filled in by the school physician at the time of the admission of the pupil.

Physicians in the field should use this form to record the examination of pupils for transfer to nonreservation schools. It should accompany the pupils' transfer blanks.

The reverse side is intended as a card-index case-record for use by all Service physicians.

NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____ ENTRANCE DATE _____ DISEASE _____

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CERTIFICATE OF PROMOTION

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RATING.

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111

67

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58

Music

75

Writing

80

Drawing

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Civics

50

Effort _____

Department _____

DETAILS SERVED.

LENGTH OF TIME IN EACH.

RATING.

General Work

80

and ~~is~~ ^{not} eligible to pursue work in the Fourth grade, academic; and
 (Cancel one.)
 _____ grade or year vocational.

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May 7, 1917.

C. L. Ellis, Supt.,
Blackfeet Indian Agency,
Browning, Mont.

Dear Sir:

I have a letter from John Kennedy requesting the return home this summer of his son William, at present a pupil of this school.

Will you please advise me regarding this matter.

I have a report this morning from the school physician regarding Joe Bear Chief. He states that Joe has tubercular adenitis which is increasing in spite of treatment and he recommends that Joe be sent to a sanatorium.

Will you please see his people and advise me.

Very truly yours,

D:R

Superintendent.

Black Ranch
Cattle
Proprietor

Browning, Mont.

Apr. 30th 1917

Supt. Ind. School,
Carlisle, Pa.,

Dear Sir:-

I wish to have my son William
Kennedy come home this summer - as I
need him.

I shall pay^{for} his transportation, and
will send him back this fall.

Kindly let me know what the fare
is, and I shall have the Supt here
at Browning to forward it at once
and oblige

Yours Truly

John H. Kennedy.

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May 29, 1917.

C. L. Ellis, Supd.,
Blackfeet Indian Agency,
Browning, Mont.

Dear Sir:

I have the following report from our
school physician this morning:

"In regard to Joe Bear Chief who has
been in the hospital for some weeks, and who was
also examined today for the outing, will say that
I don't believe him fit for any work at all, and
think we better send him to a sanitorium or to
his home. His condition is rapidly getting worse."

Will you please advise me by wire after
you have consulted Joseph's parents what I shall do
in this case, whether to return him to his home or
to arrange for him to go to some sanitorium.

Very truly yours,

D:R

Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Mr. Geo. Francis,

May - 28 - 1917

In regard to Gov. Bear Chief who has been in the hospital for some weeks, and who was also examined today for the outing, will say that I don't believe him fit for any work at all, and think we better send him to a sanitarium or to his home. His condition is rapidly getting worse,

Sincerely,
J. M. Hughes, M.D.

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

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GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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RECEIVED AT

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180 West High Street

Phoned 503 PM

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BROWNING MONTANA 2 PM JUNE 4TH 1917.

SUPT. INDIAN SCHOOL.

CARLISLE PA.

JOE BEARCHIEF ORPHAN ELDEST SISTER INSISTS HE BE RETURNED HERE.

FERRIS.

459 PM.

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June 8, 1917.

Mr. Thomas Ferris
Superintendent Blackfeet Agency
Browning, Montana.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with the recommendation of our school physician and the wish of Joseph Bear Chief's sister, I have arranged to send him home with the home party leaving Carlisle for Browning Tuesday June 12th. Will you please notify his people to meet him there.

Joseph has been a good boy while a pupil here and I am very sorry that his health is such that it becomes necessary to send him home. I hope that his native climate will help him get well and strong so that he may be able to continue his studies at some future time.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

TO OFFICER SENDING TELEGRAM.

1. Keep copy on this form for your files.
2. Mail confirmation to addressee indicating that purpose by check mark in this circle. ☐
3. Mail copy to your Supervising Field Office, if any.

MEMORANDUM COPY
OF OFFICIAL TELEGRAM

Will NOT be accepted if presented by Telegraph Company attached to bill for tolls, in lieu of original message.

Receiver's No.—	Time Filed—	Paid	Word <u>Day</u> (Day or night.)	Government rate—Toll, \$
Sent by— <u>Western Union</u> (Name of company.)		Telegraph Co.		
To <u>Superintendent Indian School</u> <u>Carlisle, Pa.</u>		From <u>Browning, Montana, June 4, 1917.</u> (Place.) (Date.) <u>Thomas Ferris,</u> (Print or typewrite name of sender.) <u>Superintendent.</u> (Title of sender.)		

Joe Bear Chief orphan. Eldest sister insists he be
returned here.

Official Business
Gov't day rate, paid.

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Charge: Blackfoot Agency
(If not paid in cash, insert name of office to which bill should be presented for payment.)

PAID _____ By SENDER.
(Insert "In cash," if so paid.)

Appropriation: _____

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Blackfeet Agency,
Browning, Montana,

June 4, 1917.

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Mr. John Francis, Supt.,
Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find confirmation of telegram re Joe Bear
Chief.

This boy is an orphan, and his eldest sister insists
that he be returned here to Blackfeet Reservation despite the
fact that she was advised it would be better for the boy to have
him sent to a Sanitarium.

Very truly yours,

Thomas L. King
Superintendent.

DEM

Encl.

Department of the Interior.



Do your bit!
BUY A LIBERTY LOAN BOND
Inquire at any bank or post office

The Superintendent

United States Indian School

Carlisle

Pennsylvania

6-3305

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Browning, Montana,

6/16/17

Joe Bear Child returned to Browning safely.

Thomas F. Jones
Supt.