

# CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

4748

NUMBER 5460	ENGLISH NAME Lewis Johnson	AGENCY	NATION Potawatomi		
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS athens, mich.			
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD D	BLOOD 3/4	AGE 19	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.
FATHER	MOTHER				FORCED EXPR.
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Oct. 19, 1913	FOR WHAT PERIOD Three years	DATE DISCHARGED 9-12-17	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE completed Ford course		
TO COUNTRY 8-13-16	PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS Ford Motor Co., Detroit, Mich.				FROM COUNTRY

SHAW-WALKER, HUNTERDON, NEW YORK 45445

Months in school before Carlisle, 7.2

Grade entered at Carlisle, .....

Grade at date of Discharge, .....

Trade or Industry, .....

Church, Catholic

1/2 mi. to school

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BRIEF.

APPLICATION OF

*Lewis Johnson (Potawatomi)*

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

*himself*

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

*Carlisle, Pa*

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

*Atkins, Michigan*

Date of enrollment, \_\_\_\_\_, 19<sup>15</sup>

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

NAME OF PERSON ARRANGING FOR THE TRANSFER.

Position, \_\_\_\_\_



## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN A NONRESERVATION 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 - Pa., of Lewis Johnson, 19 male, I, Lewis Johnson (Name of child.) (Age) (Sex.) (Parent, guardian, or next of kin.) of Athens P. O., State of Mich., do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to my enrollment in said school for a period of 3 years, and also obligate and bind myself to abide by all the rules and regulations for Indian schools. (Not less than 3.)

I further say that the said child was born at Athens, Mich. on Feb. 10 - 1896; (Date.) that the father, James Johnson, dead a 3/4 Indian of the Potawatamie (Name of father.) (Is or was.) (Degree.) Tribe located at \_\_\_\_\_ Agency; that he left the tribe about \_\_\_\_\_; (Approximate date.) that the mother, Maud Johnson, dead a 3 Indian of the Potawatamie (Name.) (Is or was.) (Degree.) Tribe located at \_\_\_\_\_ 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>U.S. Indian School, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.</u>	<u>1904</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>Graduated</u>		

This 6th day of October, 1915

Two witnesses:

Ruth J. PalmerLewis Johnson

(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)

J. M. PalmerP. O., Athens, 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, Lewis Johnson, do hereby swear that the statements made in the above application are true.

Lewis Johnson

(Signature of applicant.)

(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October, 1915James H. Palmer

(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.)



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CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN.

I, M. A. Pruitt, a practicing physician of Mt. Pleasant School, do hereby certify that I have carefully examined Lewis Johnson, the child named in this application, and find that he 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 6 day of October, 1915 M. A. Pruitt M. D.

VOUCHER OF THE PERSON OTHER THAN THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN ARRANGING FOR THE TRANSFER.

I hereby certify that I was present and witnessed the execution of the foregoing application made by Lewis Johnson; that its contents were explained or interpreted to Ruth J. Balmer by Ruth J. Balmer; that I believe he understood the purport thereof; that I was present at the medical examination of the child named herein; that he is at present at our school resides with in or near the town of Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; that the child can not have adequate and proper educational facilities at home for the reason that he graduated from the course required at this school last June and wants to go further in his studies.

Public school facilities are \_\_\_\_\_ (If available, state kind of school, distance, etc.)

Dated at Mt. Pleasant, Mich. this 6th day of October, 1915 R. A. Cochran Supt. & Spl. Dis. Agent (Official title.)

(NOTE.—This voucher must be executed by the official representative of the nonreservation school to which application is made. Vouchers of pupils and Indians will not be accepted.)

VOUCHERS OF DISINTERESTED PERSONS.

VOUCHER NO. 1.

I, Ruth J. Balmer, an Assistant Club, of Mt. Pleasant School, Mich., do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with Lewis Johnson who makes the foregoing application; that I believe his statements therein are true; that I am acquainted with Lewis Johnson; that

he is known and recognized in the community in which he lives as an Indian; that in my opinion he can not receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that he has completed the course of study required at this school and wishes to continue his education.

This 6th day of October, 1915 Ruth J. Balmer



## VOUCHER NO. 2.

I, James W. Palmer, a Principal & Clerk of Mt. Pleasant School, Mich., do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with Lewis Johnson, who makes the foregoing application; that I believe his statements therein are true; that I am acquainted with Lewis Johnson; that he is known and recognized in the community in which he lives as an Indian; and that in my opinion he can not receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that he graduated from this school last June and desires to continue his education.

This 6th day of October, 19 15

James W. Palmer

## CERTIFICATE OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby certify that on \_\_\_\_\_, I made a careful examination of the physical condition of \_\_\_\_\_, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_

School Physician.

The enrollment of Indian pupils in nonreservation schools is governed by the "Rules for the Indian School Service, 1913," Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 36, 112, 113, 114, 117, 118, 124 (b).

The Rules should be consulted before filling out the application blanks.





Oct. 13th, 1915.

Mr. Lewis Johnson,

Athens, Michigan.

My dear Friend:

In compliance with the request and recommendation of Superintendent Cochran of the Mount Pleasant School it is being arranged so that a ticket will be provided you by the Michigan Central Company's agent at Athens, Michigan, for your use to Carlisle. The ticket should be ready for use within a very few days after you receive this letter.

Hoping that we shall see you here soon and assuring you that everything possible will be done to get you located promptly after your arrival at Carlisle, I am,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

(Copy to Superintendent Cochran.)





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UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

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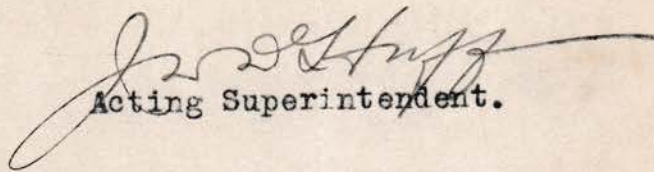
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Boy arrived at Carlisle before letter was delivered to him at Athens. meyer



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

November 23, 1915.

Mr. LIPPS:-

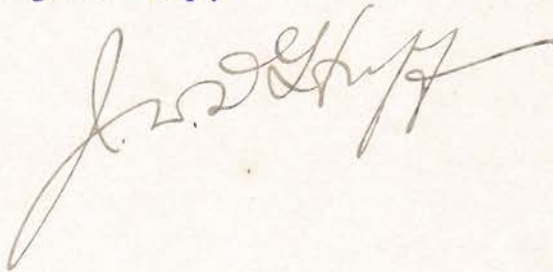
I had this morning further conversation with Lewis Johnson (Potawatomi) who asked you yesterday to let him take nothing but baking and concerning whom I sent you a memorandum.

Lewis stoutly maintains that he is of age. I do not know anything about that excepting that the report rendered to me by Mr. Gehringer at the time of Lewis' admission to this school showed the boy to be 19 years old. For that reason, I suggested to you that Lewis' home people be consulted before we grant such permission.

Now, if Lewis is really of age, I shall have no objection to his being granted this permission, same to hold good until such time as it may appear advisable to revoke same, if it should ever seem advisable to take such action.

In order to fully establish the matter of his age, we might write to Mr. Charles H. Staniford, Athens, Michigan. We might also ask Mr. Staniford whether or not there is any objection from any quarter to Lewis' dropping the academic work here.

Respectfully,



JDD/-

Mr. Lipps:-

I have dug up his application & attach it hereto. It clears up the matter of his age pretty well. Please return application to Mrs. Denny for her files.

Respectfully



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Aug. 17th, 1916.

Mr. Chas. A. Stanford,  
Athens, Mich.

My dear Sir:

Louis Johnson, the Pottawatomi young man we have enrolled here from the vicinity of your home, has recently been placed in the Ford Motor Company's factory at Detroit, Michigan, as an apprentice student and it is necessary that we know his exact age. As our records do not seem to be exact I am writing you at Louis's request to find out the date of his birth.

If you can let me have the desired information it will be of benefit to Louis and a favor we will appreciate. Your answer may be mailed in the enclosed envelope without the use of a stamp.

Very respectfully,

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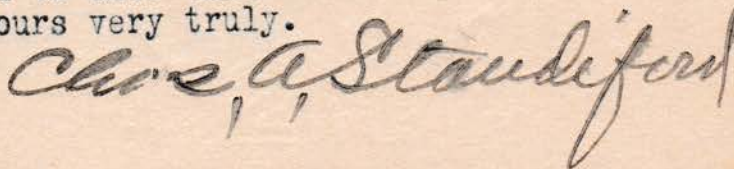
HLM.

  
Superintendent.

Aug., 22nd., 1916.

I was the guardian of Louie Johnson, and the only record that we have of his birth was that filed with the Probate Court, when the appointment was made, and that made him twenty one years of age last year "1915", but there was no date of the month or the month given and I know of no record to show that fact.

Yours very truly.







DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL  
CARLISLE, PA.

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Mr. Lewis Johnson,  
93 Windermere Ave.,  
Detroit, Mich.

May 28, 1917.

My dear friend:

By an Act of Congress approved May 18, 1917, all male persons between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, are subject to registration in accordance with regulations prescribed by the President, and upon proclamation by the President it shall be the duty of persons of the prescribed ages to present themselves and to submit to registration.

The President by proclamation, as you no doubt have learned through the Press, has designated June 5th, 1917, as the date of registration.

This means that every male citizen of the United States between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, shall register at his home on that date.

The records of this school show you to be over 21 years of age and not over 30.

It therefore becomes your duty to register, and under paragraph 71 of the registration regulations it is provided that students at non-reservation Indian schools will be registered in accordance with the instructions governing the registration of absentees.

Under the provision governing absentees you should immediately arrange through your patron to present yourself before the county clerk or proper person designated in your vicinity to certify to registration cards and see that a card is prepared for you.

This card must be mailed by you in time to reach your domiciliary precinct or home by June 5, 1917.

Please bring this letter immediately to your patron's attention. I can not too strongly impress upon you the importance of your procuring a registration card from the proper officer immediately so that you may mail it to your domiciliary precinct or your home in time to arrive there on June 5, 1917.



The failure to do this lays you liable to a jail sentence. Please take immediate action.

If any question arises in your mind as to the proper officer to whom the cards should be mailed at your home, you are directed to seek the advice of the registering officer.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

*John A. ...*  
Superintendent.

*Please advise me when you  
have registered*  
*[Signature]*



79 La Belle Avenue,  
Detroit, Michigan,  
June 8, 1917.

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Supt, J. Francis, Jr.,  
United States Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pennsylvania,

Dear Sir:

Please send me Fifty Dollars  
from my Savings Account.

I bought a Liberty War Bond  
and I must pay for it by Tuesday  
June 12, 1917.

Trusting that you will comply  
with my request.

Yours truly,

Lewis M. Johnson,

79 La Belle Avenue,  
Detroit, Michigan.

L.M.J./K



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August 21, 1917.

Mr. Duran:-

Please drop from the Outing the name of  
Lewis Johnson and take up or re-enrol Henry Lange.  
Lewis has completed the Ford course and it seems  
Henry did not join the Army but is still at the Ford.

Respectfully

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August 20, 1917.

Mr. G. W. Griswold  
Dept. of Education Ford Motor Co.  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with your recommendation I am enclosing herewith a check for \$292.57 made payable to Lewis Johnson, which closes his account here. I am also having his name dropped from the rolls of the school.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

Inc.



# Ford Motor Company

Automobile Manufacturers

Detroit, U.S.A.

President.  
D. Vice Pres. & Secretary.  
SMITH, Vice Pres. & Treas.

Mr. John Francis Jr.,  
U. S. Indian School  
Carlisle, Pa.

Aug 16 1917

Dear Mr. Francis:

ALL STATEMENTS OR AGREEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS LETTER ARE CONTINGENT ON STRIKES, ACCIDENTS, FIRES, OR ANY OTHER CAUSES BEYOND OUR CONTROL AND ALL CONTRACTS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE SIGNATURE OF A DULY AUTHORIZED EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THIS COMPANY. CLERICAL ERRORS SUBJECT TO CORRECTION.

Our employee Louis Johnson, B-5111 has finished his student's Course and would be glad to have his account at Carlisle closed out and money forwarded to us for delivery to him.

Will you kindly arrange accordingly?

Yours very truly,

FORD MOTOR COMPANY  
Department of Education

By-  
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GWG S

\$16.85 in my book

Lewis Johnson - 5737

275.72  
16.85

292.57

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HENRY FORD, President.  
E. B. FORD, Vice Pres. & Secretary.  
F. L. KLINGENSMITH, Vice Pres. & Treas.

Automobile Manufacturers

Detroit, U.S.A.

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Carlisle, Pa

Aug 24 1917

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Your letter of August 20th received, and check in the  
amount of \$292.57 delivered to Mr Lewis Johnson.

Yours very truly.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY,  
Department of Education.

By-

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