**Athletics, Assimilation, and Identity at the Carlisle Indian School:   
Exploring Student Files**

Consider and answer the following questions as you explore your student file. Be prepared to discuss your answers and to provide specific examples from the file documents to support your ideas.

**Student’s name (both their Native name and that assigned by the school if applicable):**

**Tribe or Nation: Dates of Enrollment:**

What was your student’s involvement in athletics while at Carlisle?

What if any role do athletics play in the student’s sense of self-identity?

Does the file reflect any relationship between athletics and the school’s mission to assimilate Native American children? According to the file, was this assimilationist mission successful or not?

Do you see any relationship in the files between athletics and gender roles/expectations?

Does anything in the file surprise you? Why?

What questions does this file raise in your mind?