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Award of a \$4,563,129 contract for the construction of school facilities that will provide for 768 additional students at Shonto, Arizona, was announced today by the Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall.

The contract calls for the construction of a 23-classroom school with a multipurpose room and an instructional materials centered three 256-pupil dormitories; a 1,200-pupil kitchen-dining hall; living accommodations for staff; and a storage, maintenance and fire protection building. The project also provides for the remodeling of the existing library into two beginners' classrooms and of the existing kitchen-dining hall into an activity room.

In addition to the building construction, a 150,000 gallon elevated water tank and extension of water supply system, sewage system and new lagoons, drives, walks and other site improvements are included in the contract.

The new construction will increase the present enrollment of 232 pupils to 1,000, and will add the seventh and eighth grades to the present grading system.

The successful bidder was Lembke Construction Co., Albuquerque, New Mexico. Seven higher bids were received ranging from \$4,782,000 to \$5,680,400.

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