

Name

INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL - DAILY LIFE

"The boarding schools, located both on the reservation and off, were run in military fashion. Students donned uniforms, marched to and from



classes, drilled regularly, and were subject to fairly rigid discipline. Schools days were highly structured from the time the children arose at 5:45 in the morning to the playing of taps at 8:30 each evening. For half of the day, Monday through Saturday, each child was assigned work detail - household chores for the girls, farm or craft work for the boys. The remainder of every day was spent in classes and drills. Two brief recesses were the only playtime the children were allowed." Wilson, Terry P. *The Osage.* Indians of North American Series. New York: Chelsea House Publ., 1988. (pg. 57)

WRITE A LETTER HOME:

Imagine you are a student in one of the Boarding Schools. Write a letter home to your family.

- Describe your life
- Tell what you are doing
- Tell how you are feeling

Use the above information and add details from your imagination.