Dear President:

The Indian Committee has approved Lamanite youth conferences in 1968-69 on the following basis. These conferences will be held on three levels:

(a) Local or area
(b) Regional, and
(c) All-Church Youth Conference to be held at Brigham Young University.

Please refer to the attached sheet entitled "Lamanite Youth Conference 1968-69."

In the past the Indian Committee has been closely involved in directing these conferences and will continue to do so. However, with the rapid growth and progress of Lamanite work in the Church, more mission and stake involvement is needed.

For example, last year three regional conferences were held. Present plans indicate a need for 11 regional conferences this next year. The Indian student placement program, the Indian seminary, and the Indian college students will all join in these regional conferences in their particular areas for the increasing of their leadership abilities and their testimonies.

During the summer months, Indian seminary coordinators and the social workers from the Indian student placement program received information regarding these planned youth conferences and will work closely with you.

We trust that a large number of adults will attend these conferences and will participate in the activities. Adult leadership seminars will be conducted in each conference.

We appreciate your efforts in this most important work.

Sincerely your brethren,

THE INDIAN COMMITTEE

Elder Spencer W. Kimball, Chairman
Elder LeGrand Richards

Elder A. Theodore Tuttle
SUGGESTED AGENDA FOR REGIONAL CONFERENCE
FRIDAY

8:00- 9:00  Registration
9:00-10:00  Welcome, greetings, introduction of special guests, keynote speech
10:00-11:00 Speech contests
11:00-12:00 Panel discussion (correlated with theme of conference)
12:00- 1:00 Lunch
1:00- 2:00 Remarks and discussion by Indian leader
2:00- 3:30 Talent contest
3:30- 4:15 Summer correlation presentation
4:15- 6:00 Students prepare for banquet and dance

NOTE:  (1) Handicraft judging is done during the day
(2) Essay judging is done prior to the conference

6:00- 8:00  Banquet
8:30-11:30  Dance

SATURDAY

7:00- 8:30 Devotional
8:30-10:00 Athletic competitions
    (a) Relay (3 boys and 3 girls)
    (b) Push ball
    (c) Tug O' War
    (d) Dodge ball
10:30-11:30 Awards Assembly
11:30-12:00 Clean-up - preparations to leave
12:00- 1:00 Lunch
1:00- 2:30 Testimony meeting
LAMANITE YOUTH CONFERENCES
1968-69

Lamanite youth conferences will be held on three levels: local or area, regional, and all-Church. Recommendations regarding these conferences are as follows:

Local or Area Conferences

Dates: Should be completed by March 1

Participants: All students in 9th through 12th grades who live in the local area. Two examples might be: (1) All 9th through 12th grade seminary students in Gallup and Ft. Wingate would meet together. (2) All 9th through 12th grade placement students from Lehi to Orem would meet together.

Requirements to attend: All students in the above description should attend; however, each should be encouraged to participate in either the speech or essay contest which will be held at the conference. Although this conference is free, the students attending should pay the standard fee required in order to attend the regional conference which will be held later.

Format: The conference should last a half day. Sports, speech, essay, talent, and handicraft contests should be held. A dance could culminate the activities. (A more detailed format is being prepared and will be available later.)

Regional Conferences

Dates: The suggested dates are March 28-29 or any other date prior to April general conference.

Participants: To attend this conference a student in the 9th through 12th grades must have attended the local conference or must have given a talk or written an essay on the theme which will be provided for the year. He must have also paid his fee.

Requirements to attend: The requirements are stated above.

Format: The conference should begin on Friday morning and conclude around Saturday noon. A suggested format is being prepared and will be available later. A suggested schedule of these conferences is as follows:
I. Southern Utah Conference (Richfield, Utah)
   Involvement: A. Southern Utah Regional Mission
                  B. Southern Utah Placement Program
                  C. Ute Tribe
                  D. Kayenta-Dennehotso Area of Southwest Indian Mission

II. Southwest Indian Mission (Holbrook, Arizona--except west end of Tuba City Area)
    Involvement: A. Holbrook Placement Program
                  B. Albuquerque-Gallup Seminary (Southwest Indian Mission Area)

III. Phoenix, Arizona
     Involvement: A. Arizona Placement Program
                   B. Seminary--Phoenix Area: Tuba City, Ft. Apache,
                      San Carlos, Colorado River Tribes,
                      Hualapai, Flagstaff Area.

IV. California (Los Angeles, California)
    Involvement: A. California Placement Program
                  B. Seminary--Riverside, Lone Pine, Northern Nevada and
                     Los Angeles Areas.

V. Northern Utah (Ogden, Utah)
   Involvement: A. Placement Program Salt Lake City on North
                  B. Seminary--Brigham City, Goshute, Washakie

VI. Idaho (Idaho Falls, Idaho)
    Involvement: A. Idaho Placement Program
                  B. Seminary--Wind River, Wyoming; Fort Hall, Idaho;
                     Duck Valley, Nevada

VII. Washington (Seattle, Washington)
     Involvement: A. Washington Placement Program--Vancouver Placement Program
                    B. Seminary--Coalville, Yakima, Umatilla, etc.
                    C. Alaskan Canadian Mission

VIII. Canada (Lethbridge, Alberta)
     Involvement: A. Canadian Placement Program (except Vancouver)
                    B. Seminary--Fort Peck, Fort Belnap, Blackfeet, Bloods
                    C. West Canadian Mission

IX. Northern Indian Mission (Held in Dakotas)
    Involvement: A. Placement: Winnipeg, Canada
                   B. Seminary--North and South Dakotas and Minnesota
X. Oklahoma Conference (All of Oklahoma--Lawrence, Kansas (Haskell)--Northern Texas)

XI. Georgia Conference

Involvement:
A. Georgia Placement Program
B. Seminary--North Carolina
C. Catawba

All Church LDS Lamanite Youth Conference

Dates: May 2nd and 3rd

Place: Brigham Young University Campus

Participants: Students who were winners in speech, essay, handicraft, or talent contests in the regional levels. Also eligible are those who have taken leadership roles in earlier conferences. All who are to attend must preregister by April 15.

Adult Lamanite Leaders

These people should be involved in these conferences. They will act as consultants. There will also be special seminars directed to them.

Transportation:

Getting to the conferences is a problem to be worked out locally.