## East Coast Native American Boarding Schools

In the late 19th Century, Captain Richard Pratt began a trend by opening his Carlisle Indian Industrial School in Pennsylvania in 1879. <a href="Hampton Institute in Virginia">Hampton Institute in Virginia</a> was another such institution, although this one was opened primarily for the education of African-Americans. Native American children were sent to schools like Carlisle in order to learn trades that would allow them to become working members of white society, but this education often worked to create children and young adults who did not have a place in any society. Prejudice would never really allow them to fit comfortably into white communities, and their extensive separation from their families and culture often rendered them cultural outsiders back on the reservations.

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