

## AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**I. Public Education Commission Meeting Date:** July 17, 2019

**II. Item Title:** Discussion on Pre-K and Early Childhood Education Programs

**III. Executive Summary:**

The PEC will discuss NM Pre-K Applications approved by the PED for the following schools for 2019-2020. All seven schools listed below provide Kindergarten services (per the Charter Contract) and most have been offering Pre-K for many years.

There are three types of funding available from PED for Pre-K Programs: NM Pre-K, SpecEd 619, and Title I. North Valley Academy used some Title 1 funding for Pre-K in the 2018-2019 school year. For at least the last three years, no other state charter schools have used Title 1 funds for Pre-K.

None of the state charter schools offer early childhood programs for younger children. The youngest are those that offer the Special Education 619 Program for 3 and 4 year olds to include students with IEPs and peer models.

Information will be provided to the PEC from the NMPED Early Childhood Bureau regarding the type of support and oversight that is provided to each school that offers a Pre-K program.

1. Albuquerque Bilingual Academy (formerly La Promesa Early Learning Center), 2013
2. Horizon Academy West, 2011
3. Mission Achievement Success, 2019
4. North Valley Academy, 2010
5. Red River Valley Charter School, 2008 (halftime), 2013 (fulltime)
6. School of Dreams Academy, 2016
7. Turquoise Trail Charter School, ?

Other state charter schools that currently offer Kindergarten, but are not offering NM PED Pre-K programs, are:

- Albuquerque Collegiate
- Albuquerque School of Excellence
- Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
- Altura Preparatory Charter
- Estancia Valley Classical Academy
- Hozho Academy
- J Paul Taylor Academy Charter
- La Tierra Montessori School of the Arts
- McCurdy Charter School
- Raices del Saber
- Roots and Wings Community
- Sandoval Academy of Bilingual Education
- Taos Integrated School for the Arts
- Taos International School
- The Montessori Elementary and Middle School (has a Pre-K program)