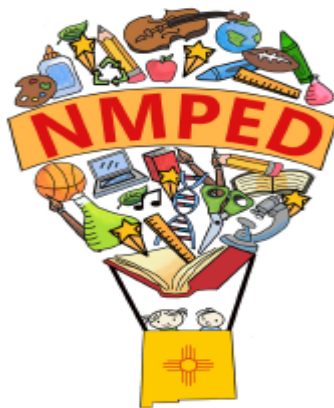


New Governing Board Member? We've got you covered!

We are excited to announce that new governing board members may immediately take the mandatory 7 Hour Introductory Governing Board Training at their own pace. Upon completion of the training, they become eligible to vote on the board!!!

Any new member to your school's governing board/council have the opportunity to jump start their board service by completing the PED's 7 Hour Introductory Training for NEW governing board members. Please email charter.schools@state.nm.us for more information or to receive the training materials for the 7 Hour Introductory Training Course.



4th Annual Charter School Conference

Thank you to all who participated in our 4th Annual Charter School Conference, attendees and presenters alike! Break-Out Sessions were great and informative, and we were happy to see you all once again! Thank you to CSD Director, Alan Brauer, who did most of the heavy lifting in the organizing of this year's conference.

Congratulations!!

At the June 14th PEC meeting, the PEC voted on and passed the Commencement of Operations for two new schools:

- Solare Collegiate Charter School
Albuquerque, NM
Rachael Sowards Head Admin.
Serving Grades: 5-8, Starting with grades 5-6 in FY 20
- Raices del Saber de Xinatchli Community School
Las Cruces, NM
Angela Armstrong, Head Admin.
Serving Grades: K-5, Starting with grades K-1 in FY 20

RFI Next Gen CTE

School Year 2019-20

Purpose

The purpose of the Next Gen CTE Pilot is to support Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) in the cost of starting new career technical education (CTE) programs of study.

Goals

The goal of this funding is to provide high school students the opportunity to enroll in career technical education. CTE coursework is part of an articulated program of study offered by an LEA and a partner higher education institution, which leads enrolled students toward a postsecondary degree or certificate. According to New Mexico House Bill 91, signed into law March 15, 2019, this opportunity applies to all public school districts, including district-chartered high schools and state-chartered high schools. House Bill 91 may be found on the New Mexico Legislature website:

<https://nmlegis.gov/Legislation/Legislation?Chamber=H&LegType=B&LegNo=91&year=19>.

Eligibility

Public school districts (including district chartered high schools) and state chartered high schools that demonstrate a commitment to providing students the opportunity to participate in career technical education are eligible. In addition to the eligibility requirements established in this RFI, student Next Step Plans, established in NMAC 6.29.1, must be in place for each student enrolled in any CTE program of study offered by the applicant LEA. [RFI link/Deadline to Submit RFI: 7/26/19](#)

CSP Grant/Could your school be eligible?

The RFA for the CSP grant went up on the NM PED website. We wanted to make sure you all were aware of the opportunity to apply for an Expansion (growth) CSP Grant. The grant is for the next 3 years for schools that have had an approved CAP to increase enrollment and/or adding a grade level. If you CAP increase occurred in the past and you have not met your enrollment goals, you could still be eligible.

The eligibility criteria is changing because of the changing school grade system. We are not sure how it will look, but if you have been a "B" average school the last 2-3 years or have had a positive growth trajectory; i.e. Year 1=D, Year 2=C, Year 3 =B, you could be eligible. Additionally, you cannot have had major audit findings this last year

The Phase I portion of process is to submit a Letter of Interest by July 15. The LOI is a fillable form on the NMPED website.

Go to Offices/Programs at the top of the PED website, [then charter schools, then Charter School Grant program expansion subgrant.](#)

KUDOS!

SCHOOLS WITH ZERO AUDIT FINDINGS ON THE FY18 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT!

Albuquerque Institute for Math and Science (AIMS)
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
Mission Achievement and Success (MAS)
New Mexico Connections Academy
Taos International School (TIS)
The MASTERS Program

New Emergency Drill Requirements for 2019-20 academic year; effective July 1st 2019:

New school emergency drill requirements have been established per Senate Bill 147 (SB147)-School Safety Drill Requirements, which passed the Legislature this spring and is now in state statute.

The new school emergency drill requirements are as follows:

An emergency drill shall be conducted in each public and private school once a week during the first four weeks of the school year. Of these:

- One (1) shall be shelter-in-place that includes preparation to respond to an active shooter;
- One (1) shall be an evacuation drill;
- Two (2) shall be fire drills.

During the rest of the school year, each school shall conduct at least **four (4)** additional emergency drills, at least two (2) of which shall be fire drills.

In locations where a fire department is maintained, a member of the fire department shall be requested to be in attendance for the purpose of giving instruction and constructive criticism.

For more information please contact Safe and Healthy Schools Bureau: <https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/safe-healthy-schools/staff/>