



Governing Board Training

The Charter Schools Division is offering the following dates and times for annual mandatory board training this month:

Tues. Jan. 11th 12 pm – 1 pm
Fiscal #1

Thurs. Jan. 13th 4 pm – 5 pm
Fiscal #2

Wed. Jan. 19th 4 pm – 5 pm
Equity & Culturally &
Linguistically Responsive
Practices

Tues. Jan. 25th 12 pm – 1 pm
Fiscal #3

Thur. Jan. 27th 4 pm – 5 pm
Open Governance, Legal &
Organizational Performance
Requirements

Sat. Jan. 29th 10 am – 12 pm
Academic Understanding

To register, please email:
Charter.Schools@state.nm.us

Reminder: There are only 20 more weeks in this Fiscal Year for board members to complete their training.

As always, the full list of trainings for the year can be found [here](#).

If times are not working for you, reach out to [Missy Brown](#) or [Dylan Wilson](#). We are happy to consider additional times.



NM 2022 Teacher of the Year begins her one-year Tenure

As Lorynn Guerrero begins her one-year tenure she has outlined her focus on expanding pathways to graduation to create a more individualized experience. The NMPED Charter Schools Division recently interviewed Lorynn Guerrero, highschool English Teacher at The New America School Las Cruces (NASLC), who was recently named New Mexico Teacher of the Year. During her tenure, Lorynn plans to use her platform to bolster teacher voice in the state and to support students who face unconventional graduation paths.

Guerrero, who became a parent at a young age, believes in the power of equitable education. She attributes her success as both a student and an educator to the support she received through the NM Grads Program. Her experience is what motivated her to bring the program to NASLC and with the help of fellow teachers, the school now has a fully licensed child-care center on campus. Guerrero's vision for a wrap-around system of support helps attract and retain expecting and parenting students in the Las Cruces community. She explains, "they aren't always able to graduate within the traditional timeframe and we have to do as much as we can to help them get their high school diplomas."

Ultimately, Guerrero believes that if a person is willing to put in the work, they deserve the opportunity to earn a high school diploma, regardless of age or situation; "I'm watching it work and I'm really happy with what I'm seeing."

Listen to the NM PED's [Instruction Interruption](#) podcast in which 2022 TOY Lorynn Guerrero is interviewed by 2021 TOY Alisa Cooper de Uribe.

NM Charter Schools 2022 Workshop Series: Understanding Your Audit Results

Next month there will be three virtual workshop sessions in which you can learn key roles that are responsible for oversight, ultimate authority, and learn who is responsible for carrying out, reviewing and correcting charter school audit findings. Please see the flyer [here](#), featured in these sessions will be members from B2 Consulting, PED School Budget Bureau, PED Educational Finance Bureau and PED Charter Schools Division. To register please send an email to: charter.schools@state.nm.us

New Mileage Reimbursement Rate for 2022

The mileage reimbursement rate for calendar year 2022 is 45 cents. This is a decrease of 1 cent from 2021. The chart has been updated on the DFA [website](#). Please remember, the rates are applied based on the date of travel. If the travel took place in 2021, please use the old rate. The new rate is effective January 1, 2022, for travel that takes place this calendar year.

No-cost Online Courses for Caregivers, Teachers and the Community: Technology Learning Support Specialists (TLSS)

This program features no-cost online learning courses designed for teachers, parents, caregivers, and community members to help them improve their online learning and teaching skills. The courses are in Spanish and English. The program is sponsored by NMHU (via a Cares Act grant from the Governor of New Mexico) and would be a great addition for your current outreach with charter schools and home-schooling.

You can find the flyers (English and Spanish) [here](#), each course section can be completed in approximately 60 minutes with either a smartphone, tablet, or computer - only 5 hours for the full certificate. The Technology Learning Support Specialists (TLSS) courses lead to badges (stackable credentials) that result in a complete certificate. The badges/certificate can be used for personal or professional development - especially resume building.

For more information please contact Marthann Schulte, Technology Learning Support Specialists – TLSS at marthanschulte@nmhu.edu or at modulecreds@nmhu.edu, you can also visit their [website](#).



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