

# Charter School News

The Charter Schools team extends a warm welcome to the new charter school leaders who will be starting this school year! We look forward to working with and getting to know each of you!

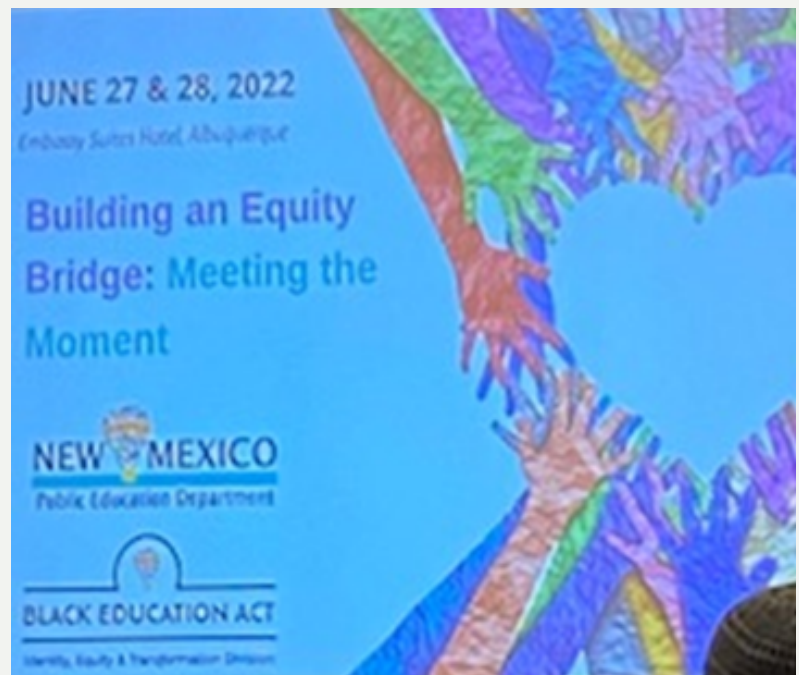
## BLACK EDUCATION ACT

The first annual Black Education Act training, Building an Equity Bridge: Meeting the Moment, took place in Albuquerque June 27-28 with 149 New Mexico educators in attendance.

Under the BEA, schools must have the following information on their websites:

To report an incident:

- Call (833) 485-1335
- Email [ARAO.Hotline@state.nm.us](mailto:ARAO.Hotline@state.nm.us)
- Fill out the online form at [bit.ly/BEAhotline](https://bit.ly/BEAhotline)



## 2022-2023 GOVERNING BOARD TRAINING SCHEDULE

The 2022-2023 Governing Board training schedule will be released in July. Keep an eye out for it!

Please remind your board members to register for these monthly trainings.

# WELCOME NEW CSD MEMBER

We welcome our newest Charter School Division member, Felicia Gonzales, as our Business Operations Specialist. Felicia has 12 years of customer service experience in the medical/retail and business fields and an associate degree in Applied Science. She was employed with the New Mexico Secretary of State in the Business Services Bureau for the past 4 years. Felicia loves spending time with her family and learning new hobbies and skills. She has a 6-year-old daughter who is enrolled in one of Santa Fe's charter schools.

## New laws started July 1

Twenty-three New Mexico laws went into effect July 1 including the following:

- Teacher base pay of teachers and counselors at every licensure (\$50,000; \$60,000 & \$70,000).
- House Bill 22 requires state departments provide “meaningful access” to their programs for people with limited English language skills.
- The Indian Family Protection Act is an expanded state version of the 1978 federal Indian Child Welfare Act, which establishes standards for handling cases of child abuse, neglect and adoption cases involving Indigenous children, including their placement in Native homes and communities.
- Senate Bill 35 enhances regulation of temporary guardianships and conservatorships, which are issued in an emergency for a person who is alleged to be incapacitated, with the intent of further protecting them from potential abuse. It requires a speedy hearing within 10 days for a judge’s approval, limits them to 30 days with the possibility of an extension, and increases oversight of the guardian or conservator — including prohibiting them from selling the property of the person they’re charged with protecting or moving them to another residence.