

**NEW MEXICO  
PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION**

**COMMUNITY INPUT HEARINGS  
FOR NEW STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS**

July 10-12, 2023

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Hearings will be held virtually and in person.  
Times, locations and Zoom links for each day are listed below:

**EXPLORE ACADEMY-SANTA FE**

Monday, July 10, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Jerry Apodaca Education Building  
Mabry Hall  
300 Don Gaspar Ave.  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

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**FIRST THINGS CLASSICAL CHARTER SCHOOL**

Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

New Mexico Highlands University  
Rio Rancho Campus (Room 123)  
1700 Grande Ct. SE  
Rio Rancho, NM 8712

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**VIRTUAL PREPARATORY ACADEMY OF NEW MEXICO**

Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Eastern New Mexico University Campus  
Union Building (Zia Room)  
1500 Ave K  
Portales, NM 88130

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# AGENDA

Monday, July 10, 2023, 1:00 p.m.  
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Mabry Hall  
300 Don Gaspar Ave.  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

1. CALL TO ORDER  
ROLL CALL  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
SALUTE TO NEW MEXICO FLAG
2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
3. COMMUNITY INPUT HEARING FOR **EXPLORE ACADEMY-SANTA FE**. Application and peer review report: [2023 New Applications – New Mexico Public Education Department \(state.nm.us\)](https://state.nm.us)
  - A. Comments from PEC Chair
  - B. Presentation by the Applicant (20 minutes)
  - C. Comments from the School District (10 minutes)
  - D. Comments from Tribal Authority (if applicable, 10 minutes)
  - E. Comments from the Public (limited to 2 minutes per speaker or group; time limit will be at the discretion of the PEC Chair).

*Persons who wish to provide public comment in person must sign up between 12:30 PM and 1:00 PM. Sign-up will close at 1:00 PM. Persons who wish to provide comments via Zoom are asked to join the meeting no later than 12:30 PM and sign in via the Chatroom. Type your name, whom you represent, whether you are in favor or opposed to the school and indicate that you would like to speak. The Chatroom will close at 1:00 PM.*
  - F. PEC Questions
4. RECESS

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Members of the public may submit comments, petitions or other written feedback electronically regarding the charter school applications up to three business days following the school’s hearing. Comments may be submitted via email to [Charter.Schools@ped.nm.gov](mailto:Charter.Schools@ped.nm.gov) or by completing the form associated with each school on the [2023 New Applications web page](#). Written comments for Explore Academy-Santa Fe will be accepted until 5:00 PM July 13, 2023. This deadline will be strictly enforced.

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Room 123  
Rio Rancho Campus  
1700 Grande Ct. SE  
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1. COMMUNITY INPUT HEARING FOR **FIRST THINGS CLASSICAL CHARTER SCHOOL.**

Application and peer review report: [2023 New Applications – New Mexico Public Education Department \(state.nm.us\)](https://www.state.nm.us)

- A. Comments from PEC Chair
- B. Presentation by the Applicant (20 minutes)
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Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m.  
Eastern New Mexico University Campus  
Union Building (Zia Room)  
1500 Ave K  
Portales, NM 88130

1. **COMMUNITY INPUT HEARING FOR VIRTUAL PREPARATORY ACADEMY OF NEW MEXICO.** Application and peer review report: [2023 New Applications – New Mexico Public Education Department \(state.nm.us\)](https://www.state.nm.us/ped/2023-New-Mexico-Public-Education-Department)

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