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**Charter Schools Division  
 Final Renewal Recommendation for  
 Southwest Preparatory Learning Center  
 November 10, 2023<sup>1</sup>**

The Charter Schools Division (CSD) recommends to the Public Education Commission that Southwest Preparatory Learning Center be **renewed for a term of five years without conditions**.

The school has not violated any of the terms of New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1979, Section 22-8B-12.K, and as stated in the CSD’s Preliminary Renewal Analysis, the school has observable evidence to verify the educational program as delineated in the contract is being implemented with fidelity.

In 2021-22 SPLC was a Spotlight school, outperforming 89% of elementary and middle schools. Overall [Vistas](#) scores and designations for 2022-23 have not been released as of this report.

Proficiencies	2021-22			2022-23		
	ELA	Math	Science	ELA	Math	Science
Southwest Preparatory Learning Center	46%	34%	49%	44%	33%	48%
Albuquerque Public Schools	36%	25%	32%	40%	25%	35%
New Mexico Statewide	34%	25%	33%	38%	24%	34%

<sup>1</sup> Revised November 16, 2023, adding only site visit participants.

Part B: Progress Report	
Academic Performance	Rating
1.a. Student Outcomes	Meets the Standards
1.b. Mission-Specific Goals	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
Organizational Performance	Rating
2.a. Educational Program	Meets the Standards
2.b. Financial Compliance	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
2.c. Governance Responsibilities	Meets the Standards
2.d. Equity and Identity	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
2.e. Tribal Consultation	N/A
2.f. Other Performance Framework Indicators	Demonstrates Substantial Progress

Ratings are based on the school’s [renewal application](#), evidence gathered during the renewal site visit and in response to the preliminary renewal analysis, performance framework, and charter record over the charter term.

The school’s ratings on the PEC Performance Framework over the first four years of the contract term are shown below.

Southwest Preparatory Learning Center	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
<b>Organizational and Financial Performance</b>				
1a Mission and Educational Program	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
1b State Assessment Requirements	Meets Standard	Not Reviewed	Meets Standard	Pending
1c Rights of Students with Disabilities	Working to Meet Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
1d Rights of English Learners	Working to Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
1e Meeting Program Requirements	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
1f NM DASH Plan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2a Financial Reporting and Compliance	Working to Meet Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
2b Accounting Principles	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard
2c Responsive to Audit Findings	Working to Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
2d Managing Grant Funds	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
2e Staffing for Fiscal Management	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Working to Meet Standard	Meets Standard
2f Internal Controls	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
3a Governance Requirements	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
3b Nepotism, Conflict of Interest	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
3c Reporting Requirements	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Working to Meet Standard
4a Rights of All Students	Working to Meet Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
4b Attendance and Retention	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Working to Meet Standard
4c Staff Credentialing	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
4d Employee Rights	Working to Meet Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
4e Background Checks, Ethics	Working to Meet Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
5a Facilities	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Working to Meet Standard
5b Transportation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5c Health and Safety	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard
5d Handling Information	Meets Standard	Assurances	Meets Standard	Meets Standard

### **Site Visit Participants**

**CSD (on site):** Brigitte Russell (lead), Cheryl Rowe, Lucy Valenzuela; **CSD (virtual):** Kimberly Gonzales

**School Staff:** Jonas Cossey, Head Administrator; Justine Vigil, Business Manager; **School**

**Governing Board:** Chris Ortiz, President; Jessica Garcia, Vice President