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RE: Annual Determination 2022-2023 School Year

Each year, the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED), as the State Education Agency (SEA), is required to assign annual determinations in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) at 34 CFR § 300.600(a)(2) and Subsection F of 6.31.2.9 NMAC. This determination is made based upon data submitted by the Local Education Agency (LEA) through the Student Teacher Accountability Reporting System (STARS) and participation in random sampling of student post-secondary transition data. Information is also obtained through monitoring visits, dispute resolution information, and any other public documentation made available.

Making Determinations

In making determinations, data submitted for State Performance Plan (SPP) and Annual Performance Report (APR) indicators 1-14 were examined to determine the validity and reliability of the submitted data and its consistency with the required measures outlined in the SPP and APR, Part B Measurement Table. Specific compliance indicators (9, 10, 11, 12, and 13) were reviewed to determine if the LEA demonstrated substantial compliance of 95% or higher. Indicator 4B data were reviewed to ensure that LEAs did not have any significant discrepancy in the rates of long-term suspensions and expulsions. The correction of issues of non-compliance, the submission of timely and valid data as well as audit findings were also considered in assigning the LEA an annual determination.

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The SEA also considered the following factors in making an annual determination for the LEA:

- Unresolved special conditions;
- Designation as a "high risk" LEA;
- Long standing audit issues;
- Length of time a problem existed was unacceptable;
- Magnitude of the problem was a concern;
- Progress the LEA made to correct the problem was insufficient.

The determination criteria are further summarized in the enclosed 2022-2023 Determination *Criteria* table.

LEA Determination

Based upon a comprehensive review of the LEA's data and information,

assigned an annual determination of **Meets Requirements** for School Year 2022-2023. The data used to make this annual determination was based on the data in the enclosed document titled 2022-2023 Annual Determination Data.

Given that there were no identifiable compliance issues found as part of the 2022-2023 annual determination review, no further action related to this determination is required by the LEA.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call Corrine Romero at (505) 372-8161. Thank you for your efforts to improve the educational outcomes for students with disabilities.

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Enc. (3): How the State Made Determinations under Section 616 2022-2023 Annual Determination Data 2022-2023 Determination Criteria

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