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Public Notice

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Public Education Commission Schedules Community Input Hearings for July 9-11, 2024, in Albuquerque NM, Santa Fe NM, Bernalillo NM, and Alamogordo NM.

The New Mexico Public Education Commission (PEC) has scheduled four Community Input hearings for Tuesday, July 9, 2024, thru Thursday, July 11, 2024. The hearings will be held in person or virtually via Zoom Webinar.

The public is notified that the Community Input Hearings are not being held for the purpose of formulating public policy of the PEC and are not held for the purpose of taking any action within the authority of the PEC. The PEC is holding the hearings to obtain information and community input on applications under consideration.

On Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., a Public Input Hearing for Equip Academy of New Mexico is scheduled to be held at the New Mexico Activities Association, in Albuquerque, NM. Equip Academy of New Mexico is proposed to be located within the Albuquerque Public School District.

On Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. a Public Input Hearing for Sun Mountain Community School is scheduled to be held at Mabry Hall in the Jerry Apodaca Education Building in Santa Fe, NM. Sun Mountain Community School is proposed to be located within the Santa Fe Public School District.

On Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. a Public Input Hearing for The Multilingual International School is scheduled to be held at Santa Ana Star Casino and Hotel in the Sacramento Room in Bernalillo, NM. The Multilingual International School is proposed to be located within the Bernalillo Public Schools district.

On Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. a Public Input Hearing for Sacramento School of Engineering and Science is scheduled to be held at Alamogordo Civic Center in Alamogordo, NM. Sacramento School of Engineering and Science is proposed to be located within the Alamogordo Public Schools district.

Applications for the proposed new charter schools are located at: [2024 New Applications](#)

The primary purpose of these meetings is to hear community input on the applications. During the public hearings members of the PEC will listen to comments from the charter school applicant and local school district representatives. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak about the proposed school and identify their concerns or support. The PEC may then have questions for the charter school applicant.

The link for the public participation via Zoom will be posted in the agenda document at: [Public Education Commission – 2024 PEC Meetings](#).

Members of the public may submit comments, petitions or other written feedback electronically regarding the charter school applications up to three business days following each school’s hearing. Written comments may be submitted via email to charter.schools@ped.nm.gov.

WRITTEN COMMENTS DUE DATES & TIMES ARE LISTED BELOW

APPLICANT: SCHOOL NAME	TIME	DAY	DATE
Equip Academy of New Mexico	5:00 PM	Friday	July 12, 2024
Sun Mountain Community School	5:00 PM	Monday	July 15, 2024
The Multilingual International School	5:00 PM	Monday	July 15, 2024
Sacramento School of Engineering and Science	5:00 PM	Tuesday	July 16, 2024

THESE DEADLINES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Commissioners will vote to approve, approve with conditions, or deny the charter applications at the PEC meeting on August 16, 2024, scheduled in Santa Fe, NM.

Any questions about the hearings can be directed to the New Mexico Public Education Department’s Charter School Division at charter.schools@ped.nm.gov or 505-827-6909.