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To: Public Education Commission and Charter School Division

From: Margarita L. Porter, Superintendent/Principal

Re: Improvement Plan for Uncorrected unsatisfactory performance

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New America School-Las Cruces (NAS-LC) has created the following improvement plan to remedy unsatisfactory performance related to indicators 1.b. State Assessment Requirements and 3.c. Staff Credentialing.

- 1.b: State Assessment Requirements: FINDING- Participation rate for math and reading was 72% for both, the target is 95% for each.
  - Mini grant: \$10,000 was awarded to NAS to support incentives for participation. We are currently working with SWREC to identify how to move forward that is in compliance with the anti-donation clause in our state.
  - Letters, texts and conversations with students one-on-one about the importance of assessment attendance
  - Breakfast made by the staff the morning of the SAT to incentivize participation

Please note that participate rate for math and reading the previous year, (2022-23) was 64%. For 2023-24, the participation rate increased to 72%. That is an 8% increase in participation. Participation will be closely monitored for the SAT window this Spring through the guidance and collaboration of the NMPED Assessment Bureau.

- 3.c: State Credentialing: FINDING- Licensure discrepancies not resolved by 120D.
  - New America is partnering with JMP Academy for NOVA support to ensure no errors are identified
  - The reports will be reviewed quarterly to ensure there are no disparities.
  - On February 5, 2025, the Charter School Division were conducting their annual site visit. NAS pull the report from NOVA. There were no discrepancies. Please see documentation.