2020 Legislative Priorities

NM Public Education Department
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Investing for tomorrow, delivering today.
Cradle to Career Investments

Delivering the Moonshot

- Early Childhood Trust Fund
- PED Strategic Priorities
- Opportunity Scholarship
Who We Are

Our legislative priorities are a direct reflection of our core values:

- Student-Centered
- Responsive
- Collaborative
- Transformative
- Innovative
- Reflective
Legislative Priorities Overview

• Increase the At-Risk Funding Index
• Fund an average 4% salary increase
• Funding for transportation
• Instructional materials
• Cybersecurity
• Support for PED Strategic Pillars
Recurring Funding Requests

Our recurring funding requests for PED are organized around strategic pillars that will transform education in New Mexico.

• Vibrant Educator Ecosystem
• Closing the Opportunity Gap
• Aligning Pathways and Profiles
• Whole Child Education
Vibrant Educator Ecosystem
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Develop Robust Educator Pipeline

✓ Launch a campaign to highlight teaching as a critical and celebrated profession

✓ Identify and support EAs to earn their teaching licenses through Grow Your Own Teacher Scholarships

✓ Increase the number of educators who reflect the students in our classrooms

Support Early Career Teachers

✓ Keep more teachers in the profession past their first three years

✓ Encourage all early career educators to participate in a two-year mentorship program

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Vibrant Educator Ecosystem

Recruitment, Retention & Evaluation

✓ Create pathways and eliminate barriers to licensure to decrease vacancies by 15%
✓ Implement a new evaluation system centered on meaningful feedback
✓ Launch a statewide recruitment tool

Leadership Development for Principals, Superintendents and School Boards

✓ Provide school administrators with on-going professional development opportunities
✓ Increase participation in Principals Pursuing Excellence
Closing the Opportunity Gap
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Community Schools & Extended Learning Time

✓ Increase number of school-based health clinics (w/ DOH)
✓ Increase the number of students participating in ELT and K-5 Plus
✓ Improve access to community resources through collaborative partnerships

Multilayered Systems of Supports

✓ Reduce the number of expulsions and out-of-school suspensions
✓ Reduce chronic absenteeism
✓ Increase the number of districts using restorative practices as disciplinary measures
Closing the Opportunity Gap

End Childhood Hunger

✓ Increase the number of students eating school breakfast and lunch

✓ Increase the number of students receiving summer meals and snacks

✓ Increase access to healthy school meals by eliminating reduced-price copay

Support Parenting Teens

✓ Decrease the pregnancy-related school dropout rate with the GRADS Program

✓ Prepare parenting students for work and careers to improve self-confidence and self-sufficiency
Aligning Pathways and Profiles
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Expand CTE and Work-Based Education

✓ Increase the number of CTE credentials and certificates issued
✓ Increase the number of high schools students participating in work-based learning programs
✓ Increase the number of dual credit courses completed

Support STEAM At All Levels

✓ Increase math & science proficiency in grades 3 - 8
✓ Increase the number of schools offering computer science coursework
✓ Increase the number of educators participating in STEM professional-development opportunities
Aligning Pathways and Profiles

High School Redesign

✓ Increase 9th grade to 10th grade promotion rates
✓ Increase the number of students who enroll in and graduate from post-secondary training programs, including technical and apprenticeship programs

College & Career Pathways

✓ Develop the profile of skills for a New Mexico high school graduate
✓ Support workforce readiness online training
✓ Train counselors to facilitate career exploration programs
Whole Child Education
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**Indigenous Education Initiatives**

- ✓ Establish 25 models of Indigenous Education statewide by 2024
- ✓ Increase the number of Native American students who matriculate to colleges annually
- ✓ Increase access to Indigenous Language Programs

**Bilingual and Multicultural Programs**

- ✓ Increase the number of Bilingual and Biliteracy seals awarded
- ✓ Fund a Spanish Language Proficiency Assessment
- ✓ Establish a self-determined Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Framework in every school
Inclusive Supports for Students with Diverse Abilities

✓ Conduct statewide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Framework Training
✓ Train general education teachers and administrators on IEPs and systems of support
✓ Host a statewide Special Education Teacher/Parent Summit

Early Literacy Development

✓ Increase second grade mastery of foundational literacy skills
✓ Increase K-3 students achieving greater than one year of growth from BOY to EOY
✓ Provide universal dyslexia screenings for all first grade students
Regional Supports

- **Regional Programmatic Support**
  - Establish regional support structure for the implementation of bilingual and multicultural instruction
  - Establish regional support structure for the implementation of effective services for students with disabilities

- **Regional Financial and Administrative Support**
  - Establish regional support structure for business officers
  - Establish regional support structure for school boards, superintendents, and equity councils