## Belen Consolidated Schools

Report to the Legislative Education Study Committee June 15, 2016



#### 2015-2016 DISTRICT GOALS

"Clear communication with a positive attitude to drive a common focus"

- The district will ensure a culture of safety, security, and well being of all students and staff by ensuring that all district school sites and facilities maintain a written and practiced Safety plan.
- All Belen Consolidated Schools will improve one letter grade on the New Mexico Public Education Department's School Report Cards.
- Belen Consolidated Schools will increase graduation rates by at least ten percent for the 2015-2016 academic school year.
- The Belen Consolidated School District will increase the positive perception of its services in our district each quarter as measured by the District's Learning Community Survey.

#### Celebrations

 Graduation Rates increased by 14.5% the greatest increase in the State of New Mexico!

- Increased Elementary School Grades
  - One school increased by ONE Letter Grade
  - Five schools increased by TWO Letter Grades
  - One school increased by THREE Letter Grades

## Celebrations

 Forty-Nine (49) Students scored a "5" on the PARCC Assessment, and four of those scored a "5" on both Math and Reading

 Belen Students have brought home many awards and trophies in both academics and athletics, and will continue!

## Celebrations

 Safety First - Established the position of District Safety Coordinator Position

 Re-organized District Administration to Focus on Student Learning

Created District Teams to Support Goals

# Accomplishments 2015-2016

Developed an Alternative Education
 Program (A regular Ed program to compliment the Sped program already in place)

 Worked with City of Belen, County, and State Legislators to successfully acquire funding for the Dennis Chavez Sewer Line Project

# Accomplishments 2015-2016

- Successful Passing of Bond Election
   Facilities Improvements, Security Cameras at every site,
   Facilities Improvements at School Sites, New Rio
   Grande Elementary, Sewer Project, Technology
   infrastructure and new computers district wide
- Successfully completed Family School, BHS Natatorium, Willie Chavez
   Agricultural Farm Building
- Remodeling of Gil Sanchez Elementary

# Accomplishments 2015-2016

 Have begun Architectural process for the new Rio Grande Elementary

 Decreased Administrative Costs and reduced Administrative Staff

 Built a district budget to balance with \$1,000,000 budget deficit

## Initiatives Supported by the NMPED

- Reads to Lead
- Truancy Coaches (3)
- K3+
- RDA
- Teachers Pursuing Excellence (TPE)
- Principals Pursuing Excellence (PPE)

## **CHALLENGES**

Declining Student Numbers

Cost of Salaries for Licensure Levels

Increased Health Insurance Costs

## **CHALLENGES**

Lack of funds for Critical Services School Based Health Center

 Continuous Repairs needed on older buildings that need replacing

Local Economic Growth

#### **PROPOSALS**

- Our State needs the increase the education funding level to 50% of total available state revenue
- Unyielding effort to Increase SEG to support
  - More Electives and Options for Students
  - Increase in Teacher Pay
  - Increase for Lowest Paid Classified Staff

