FY26 Public School Support and Agency Priorities

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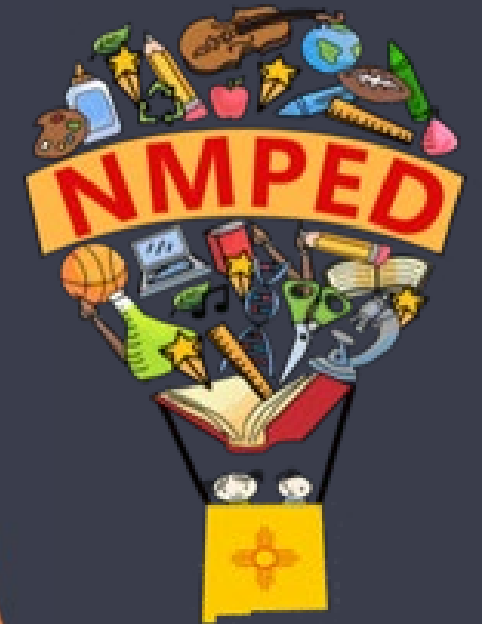
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Shaping the Educational Landscape

Core Priorities for Student Success

- Reduce chronic absenteeism

- Improve graduation rates

- Improve academic outcomes

- Robust educator ecosystem

- Increase school safety

- Improve internal operations

Attendance Improvement

Outcome: Reducing the chronic absenteeism rate by half in the next five years (6.4% improvement in SY2023/2024)

Programming Focus

- Grants supporting 14 districts for attendance interventions & supports

  - Attendance interventionists, early warning systems, data tracking, communications tools, parent workshops

- Student re-engagement services offered statewide

- Attendance awareness campaign

- Increased technical assistance, including attendance conferences and assistance with school attendance plans

Attendance Improvement

Programming Focus

- Family Income Index
  - ✓ School level funding used to support the needs of their communities
  - ✓ Address causes of chronic absenteeism
- Universal Healthy Meals*
- Whole Child Support
  - ✓ Community schools*
  - ✓ Restorative practices
  - ✓ Safe zones trainings
- Family Engagement
  - ✓ Children impacted by housing instability & foster care
- Transportation*

* items that are not expected to appear below the line

Improve Graduation Rates

Outcome: Increase graduation rate by 1,400 students over the next two years to get to the national average of 87%

Programming focus

- Career-connected learning

  - Innovation zones

  - Work based learning

  - CTE and student organizations

- Out-of-school-time learning

- High-dosage tutoring

- Support for school accountability

- Special Education supports

Innovation Zones

- Work Supports
  - Profiles of a graduate
  - Capstone projects
  - CTE
  - Work-based learning
  - Social emotional supports

- Innovation Zone Awards
  - 47 districts and charters awarded
  - 55 schools including 2 BIE schools

Educator Ecosystem

Outcomes: Qualified and effective educators in every classroom, qualified and committed administrators in every school

Programming Focus

- Educator Fellows

- Educator and administrator preparation, induction, and evaluation

- Reduce turnover in classrooms and schools

Improved Academic Outcomes

Outcomes: Improved achievement across all student groups

Statewide improvement of 6% year over year (YOY) in ELA and 3% YOY in math

Programming Focus

- Math

- Science/STEM initiatives

- Literacy and reading support*

- Special education initiatives

- *Reading supports are likely to appear in the SEG and as below the line recurring and non-recurring appropriations*

Structured Literacy

Programming Focus

- New Mexico Summer Reading Program
  - Students served: 9,533 students
  - Instructors: 1,053
  - Sites: 117 across the state
- Training teachers in structured literacy*
  - More than 9,000 teachers are trained or currently enrolled in training.
  - This year's training focuses on
    - ✓ 5th grade teachers.
    - ✓ 6th grade early adopters.

* teacher training likely to appear as a below the line recurring appropriation

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Improved School Safety

Outcomes: All schools have access to safety tools and resources

- School safety summit for evidence-based best practices and innovation

- School and first responders communication integration

- Mobile panic button technology and integration

Improved Operations

Outcomes: Improved operational efficiency, data management, and reporting

- Data quality and access
  - Assessment data collection infrastructure (C2)
  - Secure online access for schools to their Nova data (C2)

- Licensure system improvements (C2)

- Fiscal system improvements

- Special education universal statewide Individualized Education Plan (IEP) electronic system (C2)

How Funding is Administered

Program Type	Example	Funding Mechanism
Formula-Based Grants	Family Income Index	Award letters or intergovernmental agreements
Competitive Grants	Attendance Improvement Grants	Award letters or intergovernmental agreements
Statewide Initiatives for Schools	Mobile Panic Button	Contracts and intergovernmental agreements
Direct Services to Students	Summer Reading Program	Contracts and intergovernmental agreements
Agency Improvements	Data Quality Supports	Agency use, contracts, and intergovernmental agreements

Thank You!

Questions?