## **NEW MEXICO SCHOOLS ARE ON THE RISE**



### **Teacher Leadership Opportunities are Growing**

- » NMPED has brought on two teacher liaisons straight from the classroom to be a voice for teachers statewide and to oversee several teacher leadership opportunities aimed at elevating the profession and getting educators more involved in education policy.
  - ► Nearly 1,000 Teacher Leaders in the network
  - ► Nearly 700 School Liaisons
  - ► More than 110 Ambassadors
  - ► Nearly 100 members of the Secretary's Teacher Advisory
  - ► Third Annual Teacher Summit more than 1,300 Attendees

## Early Childhood and Early Literacy Programs are Expanding

- **>>** New Mexico is investing a record high \$33.6M in high-quality 4-year-old Pre-K programs for the 2018-2019 school year.
  - ► Funding is up \$10M from last year allowing 11 districts to provide Pre-K for the first time
  - ► 6,700 students enrolled in Pre-K up 1,500 students from last year
  - ▶ New Mexico's Pre-K initiative focuses on program accountability, quality staffing and comprehensive programs that form a continuum of integrated services

## **The Charter Sector is Getting Stronger**

- >> New Mexico has worked to strengthen the charter sector by supporting the Public Education Commission.
  - ► Stronger Accountability Framework
  - ▶ Improving supports and information to schools, authorizers and families
  - ▶ Providing excellent training to support charter board members and leaders
  - ► Meaningful accountability for low-performing and poorly-managed charter schools
  - ▶ 97 total charter schools, 56 of which are state-authorized
  - ▶ New Mexico earned a \$22.5M grant from the U.S. Department of Education to start up, expand and replicate high-quality charter schools over the next five years statewide

## School Turnaround Efforts are Demonstrating Results for Kids

- >> Principals Pursuing Excellence (PPE) is now one of the largest, most successful school and district turnaround networks in the country.
  - ▶ PPE Schools have grown 7.2 percentage points in English Language Arts and 4 percentage points in math
  - ▶ PPE schools tripled and doubled academic growth rates compared to non-PPE schools while serving disproportionately more students living in poverty, English language learners, Native students and students with disabilities
  - ▶ PPE schools have increased their school grades from Ds and Fs to As and Bs, thus becoming models of excellence for other struggling schools statewide to emulate







# **Graduation Rates...ARE UP!**



- » New Mexico's statewide graduation rate is at an all-time high of 71.1%, even as the standard to earn a diploma continues to rise
- Straduation rates for Hispanic students, economically disadvantaged students, students with disabilities and English language learners grew at a faster rate than the rest of the state
- Straduation rates for Hispanic students are up 11 percentage points since 2011
- Graduation rates for students with disabilities are up 15 percentage points since 2011

SINCE 2011, STATEWIDE GRADUATION RATES HAVE INCREASED BY 8 PERCENTAGE POINTS



#### **Student Academic Success...IS UP!**

- >> 7,000 more students are at grade level in math since 2015
- » 8,000 more students are at grade level in English Language Arts since 2015



#### School Grades...ARE UP!

- >> The number of A schools has tripled from 40 in 2012 to 120 in 2017
- >> The percentage of A and B schools has increased by 30% since 2012
- 32,000 more students are attending A & B schools since 2012



#### **Advanced Placement...IS UP!**

- >> 55% more students are taking AP exams since 2010
- **»** 63% more AP exams are completed since 2010
- 38% more students are earning qualifying scores - students and families are saving more than \$4 million in college tuition costs each year



#### **Teacher Effectiveness...IS UP!**

- The percentage of Highly Effective teachers has increased by 36% since 2014 there are now 1,648 more Highly Effective teachers
- >> The percentage of Exemplary teachers has increased by 209% since 2014 there are now 665 more Exemplary teachers

# **#1 ESSA Plan in the Country**

- >> Independent reviewers from across the ideological spectrum reviewed all 50 State ESSA plans and hailed New Mexico's State Plan as the best in the nation.
  - ▶ New Mexico earned very high ratings in almost every category, achieving the highest possible rating in five of the nine categories more than any other state
  - ▶ Bipartisan reviewers specifically praised New Mexico for its strong rationale for statewide goals, a clear accountability system and extensive stakeholder engagement
  - ▶ NMPED is releasing a new tool this fall aimed at helping families better understand School Grades