Charter Schools

A charter school is a public school developed by parents, teachers or community members under the NM Charter School Act of 1999 to provide an alternative educational setting to parents and students in the public school system. Charter schools provide an opportunity to create new, innovative and more flexible ways of educating children. These schools are authorized by the local school board or the NM Public Education Commission (PEC) but operate independently with their own mission, goals, and focus. The authorizing district or the NM PEC retains certain oversight accountabilities prescribed by law for these schools. The Charter Schools Division of the NM Public Education Department is responsible for the implementation of the provisions of state and federal laws, rules and regulations pertaining to charter schools.

Dual Credit
Dual Credit is available to all charter school high school students. Dual credit allows high school students to enroll in college courses offered by public postsecondary educational institutions such as Central Community College of New Mexico (CNM), University of New Mexico (UNM), and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI). This program provides students the opportunity to earn college credit as well as elective credit towards graduation. It is important to work with your child’s school in selecting courses for the dual credit program. The tuition and registration fee are waived. Your school should provide textbooks for these courses. Students must pay for course specific fees and for arranging transportation to the site of the dual credit course. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be assigned appropriate credit and the student may request a transcript to receive HS elective credit. For more information on CNM's High School Programs, visit their webpage at https://www.cnm.edu/depts/outreach/dual-credit/high-school-and-dual-credit-programs. For more information on UNM's dual credit program, visit their webpage at http://advisement.unm.edu/dual-credit/.

Per state statute: 3/4 credit hour post-secondary course = 1 HS elective credit
1/2 credit hour post-secondary course = 0.5 HS elective credit

Albuquerque

Elementary Schools (K-5)
- 21 Century Public Academy (5-8)
- Albuquerque Bilingual Academy
  (La Promesa Early Learning Center)
- Albuquerque Collegiate Charter (K-2)
- Albuquerque School of Excellence (no K)
- Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
- Alice King Community School
- Altura Preparatory (K-3)
- Christine Duncan’s Heritage Academy (PK)

Secondary Schools
- Cien Aguas International School
- Coral Community School (PK-8)
- Corrales International School
- El Camino Real Charter
- Horizon Academy West (PK-6)
- Mission Achievement and Success
- Montessori of the Rio Grande (PK-6)
- Mountain Mahogany Community
- Native American Community Academy
- New Mexico International School
North Valley Academy
Southwest Preparatory Learning Center (4-8)
The International School at Mesa del Sol (PK)
The Montessori Elementary School
William W. & Josephine Dorn Charter Community

Elementary/Middle School (K-8)
Albuquerque Bilingual Academy
   (La Promesa Early Learning Center)
Albuquerque School of Excellence (no K)
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Middle Schools (6-8)
21st Century Public Academy (5-8)
ACES Technical Charter School
Albuquerque Bilingual Academy
   (La Promesa Early Learning Center)
Albuquerque Institute of Math & Sciences
   (AIMS @ UNM)
Albuquerque School of Excellence
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
Alice King Community
Christine Duncan’s Heritage Academy
Cien Aguas International School
Coral Community School
Corrales International School
Cottonwood Classical Preparatory
El Camino Real Charter
La Academia de Esperanza
Los Puentes Charter School (7-12)
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Public Academy for Performing Arts
Robert F Kennedy Charter School
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Southwest Aeronautics, Mathematics, and Science Academy (SAMS) (7-12)
The GREAT Academy
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Middle/High Schools (6-12)
Albuquerque Institute of Math & Sciences
   (AIMS @ UNM)
Albuquerque School of Excellence
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
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High Schools (9-12)
ABQ Charter Academy
Academy of Trades and Technology
ACE Leadership High School
Albuquerque Institute of Math & Sciences
   (AIMS @ UNM)
Albuquerque School of Excellence
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy
Albuquerque Talent Development Academy
Amy Biehl Charter School
Cesar Chavez Community School
Corrales International School
Cottonwood Classical Preparatory
Digital Arts and Technology Academy
East Mountain High School
El Camino Real Charter
Explore Academy
Gilbert L. Sena Charter High School
Gordon Bernell Charter School
Health Leadership High School
La Academia de Esperanza
Los Puentes Charter School
Media Arts Collaborative Charter School
Mission Achievement and Success
Native American Community Academy
New America School- New Mexico
It is the mission of 21st Century Public Academy to continually search for positive learning experiences that enrich students and staff. Whenever possible, these lessons will take place in the arena in which they are practiced.

ABQ Charter Academy, 405 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102, (505) 242-6640, Grades: 9-12 (minimum age for enrollment is 16 years old), Authorizer: APS, website: www.abqcharteracademy.org, Enrollment: 299, Schoolwide Title 1 program

They provide a premiere high school dropout recovery program engaging students through relationship-focused, high-tech, and rigorous learning experiences resulting in Real Learning for Real Life™.

ACE Leadership High School, 1240 Bellamah Ave. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, (505) 242-4733, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.aceleadership.org, Enrollment: 247, Schoolwide Title 1 program

The mission of ACE Leadership High School is to equip young people who love to design and build things to become leaders in the construction profession. They serve young people who have limited means to have successful careers by caring for their intellectual, physical and emotional well-being as students.
**ACES Technical Charter School**, School address TBD, (505) 506-1186, Grades: 6, then adding a grade a year until 6-12 in 2024-25, **Authorizer:** PED, **website:**

The ACES Tech educational program will inspire students to achieve and prepare them for a successful future. New Mexico is a state where technology and health are two growing sectors with strong job potential. ACES Tech will provide our students with the academic foundation to become tomorrow’s engineers, technicians, scientists, doctors, and nurses. The school will place an emphasis on providing encouragement and support for groups that are underrepresented in these fields, including students of color, girls, and students with disabilities. Their teachers will employ a number of instructional strategies to support the collective and individual needs of their students. Finally, they will provide specific resources and mentoring opportunities to all students to ensure that they stay on a college ready path and successfully complete their rigorous STEM curriculum.

**Albuquerque Bilingual Academy (formerly La Promesa Early Learning Center)**, 7500 La Morada NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120, (505) 836-7706, **Grades:** K-8, **Authorizer:** PEC, **website:** [www.lipelc.com](http://www.lipelc.com)

Albuquerque Bilingual Academy ensures that culturally and linguistically diverse students thrive in an academic, family centered, developmentally seamless continuum of learning, where high expectations, respect and empowerment meet grade level proficiency.

**Albuquerque Collegiate Charter School**, 1720 Bridge Blvd SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, (505) 539-52833, **Grades:** K-3 in 2020-21, adding a grade each year to reach K-5 in 2022-23, **Authorizer:** PED, **website:** [https://albuquerquecollegiate.org](https://albuquerquecollegiate.org)

Albuquerque Collegiate Charter School is designed as a college preparatory elementary school. Albuquerque Collegiate is founded on the belief that setting the path for college graduation starts on the first day of a child’s formal schooling and must begin with the establishment of strong, foundational instruction, with a prioritized and expanded focus on literacy and mathematics starting in kindergarten and continuing every day thereafter throughout elementary school. Albuquerque Collegiate is committed to the ambitious success of their scholars, and they hold it as their charge to set them firmly on the path to graduation from the four-year-college of their choice- all of which depends upon a powerful K-5 elementary education on which that path is built.
Albuquerque Institute of Math & Science (AIMS@UNM), 933 Bradbury SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, (505) 559-4249, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: www.aims-unm.org

Albuquerque Institute for Mathematics and Science @UNM (AIMS@UNM) is committed to preparing its students, grades six thru twelve, for college, community, and beyond through a rigorous focus on math and science and an emphasis on global participation.

Albuquerque School of Excellence, 13201 Lomas Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112, (505) 312-7711, Grades: 1-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: www.abqse.org

The mission of Albuquerque School of Excellence (ASE) is to provide a safe and collaborative environment which will cultivate the academic and social development for all students regardless of their socio-economic status by emphasizing math, science, and technology for the purpose of setting and meeting higher education goals.


The mission of the Albuquerque Sign Language Academy is to improve educational outcomes for deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students in the greater Albuquerque area by providing a rigorous standards-based bilingual educational program which utilizes American Sign Language and English to achieve academic excellence, support family involvement, and promote multicultural community partnerships. The ASL Academy welcomes, encourages and educates all deaf children - including those with multiple disabilities - in an accepting and compassionate environment. Students attending the ASL Academy do not need to meet any admission or eligibility requirements and do not need to have hearing loss as their primary disability.

Albuquerque Talent Development Academy, 1800 Atrisco Road NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120, (505) 503-2465, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.atdacademy.org

ATDSCS will engage students in grades 9-12 in a safe, talent-nurturing environment designed to facilitate individual growth academically and socially as they prepare themselves to graduate from high school. ATDSCS’ goal is to see an increase in students meeting graduation requirements each year. Highly qualified teachers shall utilize individual goals from each student’s Personal Education Plans (PEP), research based instructional methods, and assessment data to help students move successfully through their high school experience.
**Alice King Community**, 8100 Mountain Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110, (505) 344-0746, Grades: K-8, Authorizer: APS, website: [https://www.akcs.org](https://www.akcs.org)

The mission of the Alice King Charter School (AKCS) is to provide an inclusive educational program for non-traditional learners. AKCS will provide a safe learning environment that incorporates each child's academic, developmental, and intelligence type into an individualized program. Through a strong partnership with parents and students, AKCS will tailor an academic plan around each child's strengths and include scaffolds for weaknesses. The classroom environment will emphasize cooperation, focus on the positive, and provide programs and schedules for optimal cognitive functioning. A myriad of learning approaches will be utilized including multiple intelligences, strategies, differentiated instruction, thematic projects, project based/hands-on learning, and individual reflection. Each child’s progress will be reviewed monthly to ensure the child is learning, meeting his/her goals, and is a positive contributor to the school community.

**Altura Preparatory School**, 8650 Alameda Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122, (505) 539-5369, Grades: K-4, then adding a grade each year to reach K-5 in 2021-22, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.alturaprep.org](http://www.alturaprep.org)

Altura Preparatory School offers transportation from Southeast Albuquerque to and from the school. Students are picked up and dropped off at the Eastern Child Development Center at 5100 Eastern Ave SE

Altura Preparatory Elementary School will provide a comprehensive college preparatory education program. Their focus will be on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM), which will become a vehicle for accelerating progress in reading and math. Beginning in kindergarten, all Altura Prep students will master 21st Century skills in all core content areas, developing problem solving, communication, critical thinking, and collaboration. Altura Prep will purposefully differentiate and personalize instruction and to prepare students for using technology as a tool for learning, researching and presenting information. In upper grades, students will use technology as part of their interdisciplinary projects and experiential learning opportunities. At Altura Prep, every student will have access to and use current technology each day to engage with portions of the curriculum. Teachers at Altura Prep are given the opportunity to be “specialist” in no more than two core content areas, allowing them to focus on and master one or two subjects to lead to a greater level of teaching expertise and more rigorous instruction. The model will allow teachers to have an increased ability to differentiate their lessons to meet the diverse needs of all learners, as well as an opportunity to become more effective and invested in their craft.
**Amy Biehl Charter High School**, 123 4th Street SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102, (505) 299-9409, Grades: 9-12, **Authorizer:** PEC, website: [www.amybiehlhighschool.org](http://www.amybiehlhighschool.org)

Amy Biehl High School was founded in the spirit of Amy Biehl, a young person dedicated to social justice. Using a thematic approach across subject areas, they teach students to apply and demonstrate skills and knowledge to analyze and address community needs. Through service, students are challenged to play meaningful roles in their communities while developing habits to prepare for post-secondary education and life.

**Cesar Chavez Community School**, 1325 Palomas SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108, (505) 877-0558, Grades: 9-12, **Authorizer:** PEC, website: [www.cesarchavezcharter.net](http://www.cesarchavezcharter.net)

Cesar Chavez Community School (CCCS) provides flexible and personalized programs for anyone seeking a high school diploma and who would benefit from services and educational programs offered during non-traditional hours.

**Christine Duncan’s Heritage Academy**, 1900 Atrisco Dr. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120, (505) 839-4971, **Grades:** PK-8, **Authorizer:** APS,

Christine Duncan Charter School will promote social and high academic achievement with differentiated instruction to strive to meet grade level proficiency in a dual language setting. They value environmental stewardship, active community participation, family centered learning and cultural diversity.

**Cien Aguas International School**, 2000 Randolph SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, (505) 255-0001, **Grades:** K-8, **Authorizer:** APS, website: [www.cienaguas.org](http://www.cienaguas.org) (Spanish)- follow link for English website.

Cien Aguas International School is a K-8 school with a focus on dual language instruction, inquiry and environmental sustainability. Cien Aguas seeks to develop students who can ask and investigate important questions about the world around them, are committed to a sustainable society and are working toward cross-cultural competence, bilingualism and bi-literacy in Spanish and English.

**Coral Community School**, 4401 Silver Ave SE , Albuquerque, NM 87108, (505) 292-6725, **Grades:** PK-6, **Authorizer:** APS, website: [www.coralcharter.com](http://www.coralcharter.com)

Coral Community Charter School is dedicated to providing single-gender classes, quality instruction, individualization, and family/community involvement to ensure students’ proficiency in Kindergarten-eighth grade.

The mission of Corrales International School is to achieve, within the framework of the International Baccalaureate curriculum, excellence in bilingual education; to promote international understanding; and live and model its core values of respect, responsibility, connection with nature, and the joy of learning.

Cottonwood Classical Preparatory, 7801 Jefferson St NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109, (505) 998-1021, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.cottonwoodclassical.org

The mission of Cottonwood Classical Preparatory School (CCPS) is to develop highly skilled, socially responsible learning activists who can analyze, synthesize, and evaluate information and take responsibility for their own learning. Cottonwood Classical promotes intercultural understanding in an all-inclusive learning environment and their graduates will be prepared to enter and thrive at any of the world’s accredited colleges and universities becoming driving forces in their local, regional, national, and global communities. Students will be well-versed in communicating through reading, speaking, writing, and listening with diverse audiences and will be able to transfer skills and knowledge into a post-secondary setting and the global marketplace.

Digital Arts and Technology Academy, 1011 Lamberton Place NE, Albuquerque, NM 87107, (505) 341-0888, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.datacharter.org

The Digital Arts and Technology Academy will prepare students to become self-motivated, independent, and job-skill oriented. Students will be equipped with the necessary academic skills in reading, writing, and math to be successful in the trades and technology careers. They will experience a true relationship between academics and the world of work. Job shadowing, partnerships, and apprenticeships that are tied to community service will give these students the competitive edge in the job market. This school will allow the trades and business community with parental interaction to be a major stakeholder in the education process of today's students.

East Mountain High School, School Address- 25 La Madera Road, Sandia Park, NM; Mailing Address- P.O. Box 340, Sandia Park, NM 87047, (505) 281-7400, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.eastmountainhigh.net

As a small regional school, East Mountain High School uses best practices to engage students in curricular programs, prepare students for college, and involve students in the community.

As a community school, ECRA serves students and families by fostering student awareness of their personal learning potential through academic and social-emotional intervention.

Explore Academy, 5100 Masthead NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87109, no current phone number, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: http://exploreacademy.org/

The innovation of the Explore Academy model is built on the principles of strong core education and college readiness through the philosophy of academic choice. The school's innovation is based on the premise that individuals best succeed when they are internally motivated through the power of personal choice, and that by offering a customized educational system where they can create their own curricular pathways, all students will show greater levels of success.


Gilbert L. Sena Charter High School’s mission is to engage students and their families in an innovative and supportive environment directed at gaining academic and social skills necessary for personal, social, and career success. Gilbert L. Sena promotes, honors and celebrates student success.


Gordon Bernell Charter School provides personalized educational programs year-round for adult (male and female) inmates at Bernalillo County's Metropolitan Detention Center (MDC), for recently released inmates in the Community Custody Program (CCP), and any other adult choosing to enroll in the downtown campus of the school seeking a high school diploma. Their mission is to provide the opportunity for these adult student inmates and other adults to graduate, earn credit toward graduation, and transition successfully to the community.

Health Leadership High School, 1900 Randolph Road SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, (505) 750-4547, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: http://healthleadershiphighschool.org

The mission of the Health Leadership High School (HLHS) is to create a group of aspiring professionals who will become leaders in creating a healthier community. The ultimate goal is to create a school that serves as a platform that connects employers to disenfranchised communities.
Horizon Academy West, 3021 Todos Santos NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120, (505) 998-0459, Grades: PK-6, Authorizer: PEC, website: www.hawest.net

Horizon Academy West has a commitment to educational excellence, and their staff is dedicated to providing a rigorous, creative, well-rounded education for all students. Their school is committed to helping each student master his or her subjects, and learn to think critically and creatively.


Opening the hearts and minds of children to possibilities while supporting their self-determination with a program of full-inclusion, La Academia de Esperanza focuses on education and developing the total individual. La Academia de Esperanza will provide quality and vocational learning for students from age 11 to 18 in preparation for their role as socially responsible individuals, within a community—based, ethnically and culturally sensitive educational environment.

La Resolana Leadership Academy, 230 Truman St. NE, Albuquerque NM 87108, (505) 243-8114, Grades: 6-8, Authorizer: APS, website: http://laresolanaleadership.com

The mission of La Resolana Leadership Academy is to equip students with the learning tools necessary to help them become successful throughout their lives in both personal and professional pursuits.


Los Puentes Charter School provides personalized, structured, academic and extracurricular activities integrated with mental, emotional and behavioral health therapy, in a personalized and structured environment. Los Puentes will teach academic, social, and coping skills to youth at risk, based on educational and life goals, provide vocational and school-to-work opportunities, and instill within each student a renewed belief of their individual potential.

The mission of Mark Armijo Academy is to provide a quality, innovative, and relevant education for youth who have struggled to succeed in a traditional educational setting. Mark Armijo Academy students will become productive citizens and life-long learners through interdisciplinary and career-based curriculum in a school community of care and belonging.

Media Arts Collaborative Charter School, 4401 Central Ave NW Bldg. #2, Albuquerque, NM 87108, (505) 243-1957, **Grades: 6-12**, **Authorizer: PEC**, website: [www.nmmediaarts.org](http://www.nmmediaarts.org)

The Media Arts Collaborative Charter School (MACCS) offers secondary students a comprehensive, project-based, cross-curricular education centered in the media arts. They prepare their graduates for positions in the media industries and for the rigor of post-secondary education.


The mission of Mission Achievement and Success (MAS) is to prepare students to be successful in college and the competitive world by providing a rigorous college preparatory program in a safe and effective learning environment. Their primary objective is to instill in their students a commitment to high academic achievement, continual goal setting, and principles of personal success.


Montessori of the Rio Grande will provide a peaceful, safe, and nurturing academic environment using Montessori principles to develop children who love to learn, contribute to their communities, and continually strive to achieve their full potential.

MMCS provides an innovative and unique educational program for the families and students it serves. Based in the values and philosophy that students can learn in a highly nurturing environment that fosters deep exploration of subjects, MMCD and the faculty provide a well-rounded education for their students. Utilizing a holistic approach to learning, students are presented academics that integrate all subjects (including art and music) while allowing students the opportunity to explore, cooperate, and discover.

**Native American Community Academy**, 1000 Indian School Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, (505) 266-0992, Grades: K-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.nacaschool.org

Native American Community Academy (NACA) strives to engage students, educators, families, and community in creating a school that will prepare their students to grow from adolescence to adulthood and begin strengthening communities by developing strong leaders who are academically prepared, secure in their identity and healthy.

**New America School- New Mexico**, 1734 Isleta Blvd SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, (505) 222-4360, Grades: 9-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.newamericaschoolnm.org

The mission of the New America School-NM is to empower new immigrants, English language learners and academically underserved students with the educational tools and support they need to maximize their potential, succeed and live the American dream.


New Mexico International School is a language immersion school, seeking to immerse children in Spanish in kindergarten and then gradually introduce their native English over the course of the subsequent years. We add Arabic as a third language starting in 4th grade. The school offers the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program. This program fosters students' natural curiosity and inquiry - essential skills that are foundational to all future education.
North Valley Academy, 7939 4th Street NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, NM, 87114, (505) 998-0501, Grades: PK-8, Authorizer: PEC, website: www.nvanm.org

North Valley Academy Charter School is committed to provide students with a rich and well-balanced education, through a rigorous focus on Mathematics, Language Arts, and an emphasis on health and wellness.

Public Academy for Performing Arts, 11800 Princess Jeanne Ave NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112, (505) 830-3128, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: APS, website: www.paparts.org

The Public Academy of Performing Arts is a public charter school that integrates a rigorous college preparatory curriculum with the performing arts and prepares students to pursue their passions and talents.


The mission of Robert F. Kennedy Charter School is to operate a public school that provides safe, positive, supportive learning environment that considers each student’s individual learning style and level of skill development. Students will participate in an educational program with high expectations, mutual respect, and community involvement that encourages and supports their mastery of the skills and knowledge required of high school graduates for the 21st century.


The mission of Siembra Leadership High School is to prepare academically underserved students for entrepreneurial careers that reflect the values and needs of the Westside and South Valley Communities through collaboration with entrepreneurs and an emphasis on social, emotional and intellectual growth.

Solare Collegiate Charter School, 8801 Gibson Blvd SW, Albuquerque, NM 87121, (505) 917-6442, Grades: 5-7 (SY 2020-21), adding a grade per year until school is 5-8 in SY 2021-22, Authorizer: APS, website: https://www.solarecollegiate.org/

Through academic rigor, individualized supports, and character development, Solare Collegiate Charter School equips all students in grades five through eight with the academic and personal skills to excel in the high school and college of their choice. Solare Collegiate is guided by six core beliefs: Literacy is foundational, Data drives decisions, Character is critical, Instruction is rigorous, Voice strengthens identity, and Structure supports learning.
**South Valley Academy**, 3426 Blake SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, (505) 452-3132, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: APS, website: [www.southvalleyacademy.org](http://www.southvalleyacademy.org)

To prepare young people to become lifelong learners in a small school setting, based on high academic standards for all, individual appreciation for each student and teacher, a culture of trust, respect for the diverse traditions of New Mexico, and involvement of family and community.

**South Valley Preparatory School**, 2813 Gun Club Rd SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, (505) 222-5642, Grades: 6-8, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.southvalleyprep.org](http://www.southvalleyprep.org)

The mission of South Valley Preparatory School is to provide a small, safe learning community so that students in the South Valley can engage in a rigorous and relevant academic curriculum. They believe it is here, within a unique family framework; where individual student’s strengths can be cultivated while expanding academic horizons and fostering active citizenship.

**Southwest Aeronautics, Mathematics, and Science Academy (SAMS)**, 4100 Aerospace Parkway NW, Albuquerque, NM 87121 (505) 338-8601, Grades: 7-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.samsacademy.com](http://www.samsacademy.com)

The mission of the Southwest Aeronautics, Mathematics & Science Academy is to prepare students in grades 7-12, through an integrative STEM educational model with an aeronautics focus, to become self-motivated, independent, competent, lifelong learners in a unique 21st century global educational environment. Students will be equipped with the reading, writing, mathematical, scientific, and technological and problem-solving skills necessary for success in post-secondary education and high-tech, and aviation related careers.

**Southwest Preparatory Learning Center**, 10301 Candelaria NE, Albuquerque, 87112, (505) 296-7677, Grades: 4-8, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.sslc-nm.com](http://www.sslc-nm.com)

The mission of the Southwest Primary Learning Center is to sustain a high-performing learning community.

**Southwest Secondary Learning Center**, 10301 Candelaria NE, Albuquerque, 87112, (505) 296-7677, Grades: 8-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.sslc-nm.com](http://www.sslc-nm.com)

The mission of the Southwest Secondary Learning Center is to sustain a high performing learning community by preparing computer-literate students for college or a career through a blended learning model that is individualized, self-directed and flexible.

The mission of Technology Leadership High School (TLHS) is to prepare students for careers in the technology sector by collaboration with local and national technology employers. They focus on youth from the International District who are academically underserved, through an emphasis on social, emotional and intellectual growth.

The GREAT Academy, 6001-A San Mateo Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109, (505) 792-0306, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.thegreatacademy.org](http://www.thegreatacademy.org)

The GREAT Academy mission is to ensure that all students gain real-world experience through Active Transition.

The International School at Mesa del Sol, 2660 Eastman Crossing SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, (505) 508-3295, Authorizer: APS, Grades: PK-12 website: [www.tisnm.org](http://www.tisnm.org)

The mission of the International School at Mesa del Sol (TIS) is to provide a meaningful, globally-connected and comprehensive educational program to all students, to develop knowledgeable, reflective, critical and compassionate life-long learners who understand, appreciate and respect the common bonds of humanity in a culturally-diverse world.

The Montessori Elementary & Middle School, 1730 Montano Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107, (505) 796-0149, Grades: K-8, Authorizer: PEC, website: [www.tmesnm.com](http://www.tmesnm.com)

The Montessori Elementary School believes that learning is best achieved within a positive social atmosphere that supports each individual's unique development. TMES offers an accelerated program by providing a strong Montessori academic curriculum combined with a unique fine arts program including Suzuki Method, Orff Music, and Visual Arts. The mission of TMES is to encourage students grades K-8 to become responsible citizens who have the ability and desire to fulfill lifelong educational and social goals.
Tierra Adentro, 1905 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, (505) 967-4720, Grades: 6-12, Authorizer: PEC, website: www.tierraadentronm.org

The mission of Tierra Adentro: The New Mexico School of Academics, Art and Artesania (TANM) is to create an inclusive and thriving learning environment comprised of a demographically and culturally diverse student population with a focus on academics, art, artesania (artisanship), and the study of the cultures that comprise our rich New Mexican heritage to ensure awareness, preservation, and progression of our cultural legacy.


William W. & Josephine Dorn Charter community School strives to provide collaborative leadership within a community school that will engage learners; excite them about the wonders of education; teach them about the importance of our natural and built environments (Martha’s Garden); and educate them of the importance of civic engagement thus opening doors for our children, families and neighborhoods.
Los Lunas  
**School of Dreams Academy**, 906 Juan Perea Rd, Los Lunas, NM 87031, (505) 866-7632, Grades: PreK-4, 7-12, **Authorizer**: PEC, website:  
[www.sodacharter.net](http://www.sodacharter.net)

The mission of School of Dreams Academy is to prepared students of Valencia County to become competent, self-sustaining individuals with a passion for learning and life. Students will be afforded the opportunity to excel in the core subject areas through a rigorous curriculum with emphasis on the arts, technology, character education and service learning in order that they have the skills necessary for success in post-secondary education and career choices. Students will come to school each day knowing that they are cared for and that the school supports them and their families in the pursuit of their goals.

Rio Rancho  
**Sandoval Academy of Bilingual Education (SABE)**, 4321 Fulcrum Way NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87144, (505) 771-0555, Grades: K-8, **Authorizer**: PEC, website:  
[https://www.nmsabe.org](https://www.nmsabe.org)

Sandoval Academy of Bilingual Education (SABE) enables students to maintain their native language, reconnect with their heritage language, or discover a new enriching language. Students will attain Spanish and English fluency and literacy through two-way immersion, which will expand their worldview and educational and career opportunities.

The ASK Academy, 4550 Sundt Road NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124, (505) 891-0757, Grades: 6-12, **Authorizer**: PEC, website:  
[www.theaskacademy.org](http://www.theaskacademy.org)

The ASK academy will emphasize Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematic (STEM) curricula to create a new learning culture through: project based learning experiences, 21st century technology, research programs, building relationships, and a strong partnership program to engage students in the learning process and develop opportunities to become life-long learners. The ASK Academy will improve the retention of core New Mexico State standards in learners by providing multiple opportunities for students to demonstrate skills and knowledge through research, STEM projects, product production and/or services.
Virtual/Online Charter Schools (Tuition Free)


Students throughout New Mexico have the opportunity to thrive at Pecos Connections Academy (PCA), a tuition-free public online school. PCA gives students the flexibility to learn at home with an online curriculum that meets rigorous state education standards. PCA opened for the 2016–17 school year to serve students in grades K–8. The school is adding one grade per year ultimately serving students in grades K–12 in the 2020-21 school year. The mission of Pecos Connections Academy is to create a personalized, student-centered approach to learning. This approach unites online learning with New Mexico-certified teachers resulting in scholastic and personal success for students statewide.

**New Mexico Connections Academy**, open to students in grades 4-12 who reside in New Mexico, website: [http://www.connectionsacademy.com/new-mexico-online-school/home.aspx](http://www.connectionsacademy.com/new-mexico-online-school/home.aspx), Grades: 4-12, Authorizer: PEC, physical site contact information- 4001 Office Ct 201-204, Santa Fe, NM 87507, (505) 428-2130, ***Grades K-3 are available from the Pecos Connections Academy***

The mission of New Mexico Connections Academy (NMCA) is to help each 4-12th grade student, throughout the state of New Mexico who needs an alternative to the traditional classroom for a particular time period, maximize his or her potential and meet the highest performance standards through a uniquely individualized learning program, access to high quality NM-certified teachers, and high parental involvement. The mission will also include a school-within-a-school model with a focus on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

Virtual/Online Public School Option (Tuition Free)

**Destinations Career Academy of New Mexico**, this is a program through the Gallup-McKinley County Schools open to all New Mexico residents, website: [https://nmdca.k12.com/](https://nmdca.k12.com/), Grades: K-12, Gallup-McKinley County Schools: 640 Boardman, Gallup, NM 87301, (505) 721-1000, [https://www.gmcs.org/](https://www.gmcs.org/)

Destinations Career Academy of New Mexico, a program of Gallup-McKinley County Schools, helps prepare students for a promising future with an innovative online program that merges traditional academics with real-world skills, giving students a jump-start on college and career goals. New Mexico-licensed teachers guide progress and tailor teaching to student needs. Students in this program are registered with the Gallup-McKinley County Schools and are assigned to a school in that district.