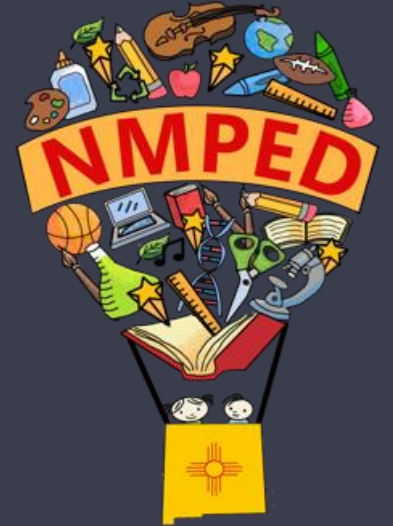


New Mexico School Boards Association: *PED's Legislative Priorities*

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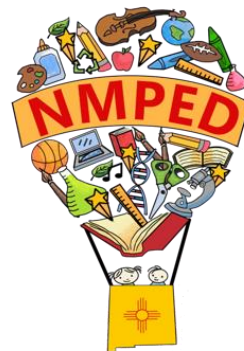
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PED Priorities – An Overview

- ✓ Improve attendance, achievement and graduation
- ✓ Strengthen workforce by increasing diversity and reducing vacancies
- ✓ Enhance education with instructional time and learning options



Major Initiatives by Executive Budget Recommendation

- \$311M for enhanced extended learning
- \$109M for 4% school staff salary increase
- \$100M for health insurance premiums
- \$42M for education technology
- \$33M to support students with IEPs (including optional extended learning)
- \$33M increase for instructional materials
- \$30M for universal free student meals
- \$25M for the Indian Education Act
- \$17M for educator recruitment



Major Initiatives by Executive Budget Recommendation



- \$17M for early literacy and reading support
- \$17M for the attendance improvement
- \$16M for teacher residencies
- \$15M for Next Gen CTE and Innovation Zones
- \$15M for At-Risk Interventions (FII)
- \$13M for tribal and rural learning opportunities
- \$12M for community Schools
- \$10M for hard to fill positions
- \$10M for high-dosage tutoring



Extended Learning Time

House Bill 194 and House Bill 130

Enhanced Extended Learning Time

- Improve quality and increase number of instructional hours to 1,140
- Provide flexibility to districts/charters
- Add 80 hours of educator professional development





Health Care Insurance for Educators

House Bill 102

Health Care Insurance for Educators

- Attract more public-school employees, reduce vacancies and accelerate student outcomes
- Saves about \$4,000 on health-insurance premiums for all NMPSIA members
- For two-party and family health insurance premiums more than \$10,000: employees would pay 40% of the premium; employers would cover 60%





Healthy Universal School Meals

Senate Bill 4

Healthy Universal School Meals

- Districts/charters required to provide “high-quality” breakfast and lunch for free to all students
- Opens door to locally grown food
- Aims to reduce food waste





Special Education Act

House Bill 285

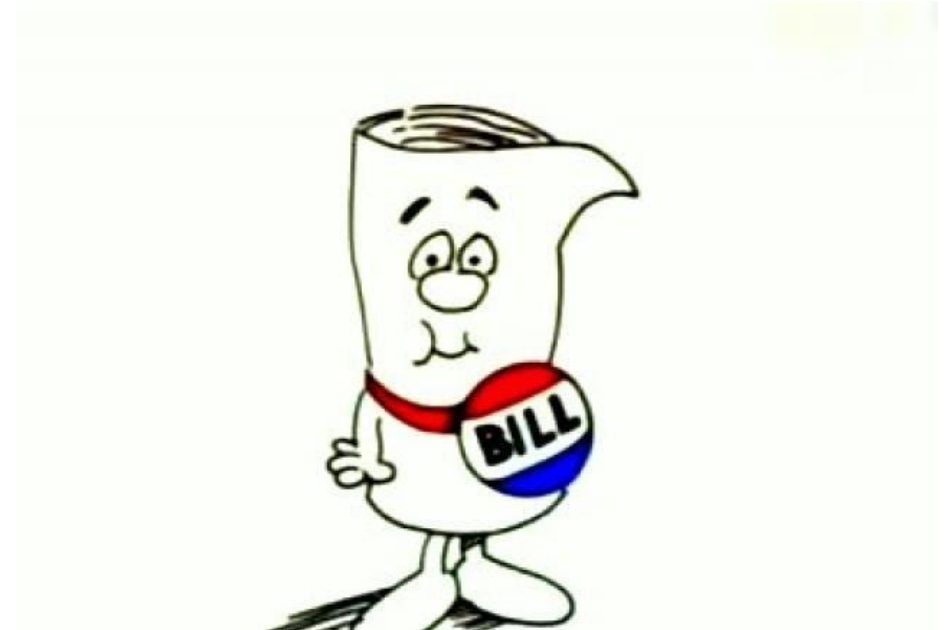
Special Education Act – Office of Special Education Inside PED

- Support New Mexico students with disabilities and improve special education in schools
- Provide information for families navigating special education
- Will support implementation of federal and state special education laws



Other Bills to Watch

- Updates to Attendance for Success Act
- Changes to Alt Licensure for Special Ed
- Criminal History Record Check Bill
- Digital Equity in Education
- Menstrual Products in Restrooms (HB134)
- Instructional Materials Exempt from Procurement (HB226)



Thank You

