

New Mexico School for the Arts
Head of School Report: April
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NMSA provides access to a rigorous mastery arts and academic high school education for youth with passion and aptitude in the arts, leading to post-secondary learning, careers in the arts, and lives that contribute to society.

Charter School Site Visit

CSD will be conducting their site visit on April 27, 2016. NMSA staff has reviewed personnel and student files in preparation of the visit.

Health and Safety Visit

The issues have been resolved and documentation has been sent to the state of NM

PARCC

NMSA will begin PARCC testing during the week of April 11th and end testing on April 19th.

Lake Flato Visit

LF's design team will be scheduling April design team meetings that will include all stakeholders.

Edutopia

We are proud to share that NMSA will be featured in Edutopia's *Schools that Work* series. Edutopia is the George Lucas Educational Foundation website dedicated to improving education and can be found at Edutopia.org.

Edutopia's Vision: "Our vision of a new world of learning based on the compelling truth that improving education is the key to the survival of the human race."

REVISED DATE: A film crew will be at NMSA on April 25-28, to capture the day. Only students whose families have completed a release form can be included in the videos that will appear on the website.

Blue Ribbon

NMSA's Blue Ribbon application has been submitted.

Facilities Issues

We continue to have plumbing problems and we continue to work with the church and the plumber to resolve them.

Budget

I have begun to work with the Business Manager to build the FY2017 budget. Details will be shared with the Governing Council at the 4/13 meeting. At this time, we have not balanced the budget.

Calendar

The 2016-17 School Calendar will be shared with staff at the 4/5 meeting. Parents will be invited to a Coffee and Conversation meeting on 4/15, from 9:30-10:30, in an effort to gather input and to meet the requirements of parent involvement in the calendar decision.

Governing Council Training Hours

We will post the Governing Council Affidavits and Training Hours Certificates of Completion on our website. All Council members have met the five (5) hour training requirement.