



### Definitions and Abbreviations

**LEA** Local Educational Authority is a broad term that encompasses districts with multiple schools or independent state-authorized charter schools. Locally-authorized charter schools are not LEAs and are reported with their parent district.

#### Subgroups

- Asian: Asian or Pacific Islander
- Afr Am: African American
- ELL: English Language Learners
- ED: Economically Disadvantaged as determined by eligibility for Free or Reduced Lunch
- SWD: Students with disabilities; does not include special education students who are gifted
- Q1: The lowest performing 25% (one quarter) of students in reading or mathematics
- Q3: The higher performing 75% (three quarters) of students in reading or mathematics

**High/Low Poverty Schools** Schools with students most economically disadvantaged (top 25%), and least disadvantaged (bottom 25%).

**Recently Arrived** These are ELL students new to U.S. schools who qualify for exemption from the reading assessment.

#### What are school grades?

School Grading is part of state and federal law that mandates accountability for all public schools. The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) enacted in 1965, which was reauthorized in 2001 as No Child Left Behind (NCLB), requires schools to show annual improvement in mathematics and reading. In 2011, New Mexico lawmakers enacted additional requirements that schools demonstrate progress through a grading system similar to that applied to students, issuing an A through F letter grade to each school [22-2-1, 22-2-2, and 22-2E-1 to 22-2E-4] [6.19.8.1 NMAC–N, 12-15-11]. Individual school report cards can be found online at <http://webapp2.ped.state.nm.us/SchoolData/SchoolGrading.aspx>

#### What are School District Report Cards?

Each LEA under the jurisdiction of the Public Education Department (PED) annually receives a comprehensive report of their achievement, accountability, teacher qualifications, and post-secondary success. This report is compiled for 89 districts that include regular and locally-authorized charter schools, and all state-authorized charter schools. Non-PED schools are exempt from both school grading and School District Report Cards, and include private, home, and Bureau of Indian Education schools.

#### What is contained in this report?

This report provides a concise summary of the LEA and its schools:

- LEA Demographic Profile
- Accountability
  - Summaries of School Grades
  - Cohort Graduation Rates (4, 5, and 6 Year)
  - Status of Non-Graduates
- Achievement
  - Proficiencies in Reading, Mathematics, and Science
  - NAEP Statewide Summary for Grades 4 and 8
- School Board Member Training
- Budgeted Expenditures
- Teacher Credentials
- Post-Secondary Achievement (College Going, Credit Accumulation)
- Parent Survey on the Quality of Education

## Accountability - School Grading and Status

Status refers to schools that are in some form of improvement that requires increased monitoring and educational enhancement. The improvement categories are

- \*\*\* Priority Status (5% of schools that are lowest performing)
- \*\* Focus Status (additional 10% of schools that are low performing and with large gaps between lower and higher performing groups)
- \* Strategic Status (additional 10% of schools that are low performing with large gaps between lower and higher performing groups)
- ^ Reward Status (the top 5% of schools in the state)

A school's status is footnoted next to their overall letter grade, and where blank, means the school is not in any status. Only schools receiving Title I funds are eligible, which in 2015 represented 654 schools.

School	Overall Grade	School	Overall Grade
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## Teacher Credentials

		Statewide %	LEA %
Teachers with Emergency or Provisional Credentials		.3	50.0
Core Classes Not Taught by Highly Qualified Teachers	High Poverty Schools	NA	NA
	Low Poverty Schools	NA	NA
NA= Not applicable; LEA did not have schools that qualified as high or low poverty			

## National Assessment of Educational Progress Statewide Results

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is often called the "Nation's Report Card" because it allows the comparison of student achievement across states and for the nation as a whole. The sampling method does not allow for reporting results by district or by school. For further information please visit <http://NCES.ED.Gov/NationsReportCard>.

NAEP does not replace assessments which annually measure student performance according to New Mexico curriculum standards. All students are required to take the standards based assessments, whereas the NAEP selects representative samples of students and districts. Because not all subject areas or grade levels are tested every year, these statewide results are for the most recent year assessed in that subject area and grade.

### Statewide Participation

	Reading %	Math %	Science %
4th Grade ELL	91	95	94 (2009)
4th Grade SWD*	93	88	86 (2009)
8th Grade ELL	92	95	93 (2011)
8th Grade SWD*	89	90	87 (2011)

\* NAEP does not accommodate students with severe disabilities  
Participation in NAEP is not mandatory

4th Grade	Reading (2015)				Math (2015)				Science (2009)			
	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %
New Mexico	4	19	31	46	3	24	47	27	#	24	39	37
Nation	8	27	33	32	7	32	42	19	1	32	39	29

8th Grade	Reading (2015)				Math (2015)				Science (2011)			
	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %	Advanced %	Proficient %	Basic* %	Below %
New Mexico	1	19	45	35	3	17	41	39	1	22	35	43
Nation	3	29	42	25	8	24	38	30	2	29	34	36

\* Basic is most comparable to Proficient on New Mexico's Standards Based Assessment

# Rounds to zero

Blanks indicate too few students to report