

The New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) is committed to delivering a high-quality education for every student by aligning its FY27 budget increases with the agency’s strategic plan and the Martinez-Yazzie action plan, alongside key student outcomes:

- Reading and Math Programming \$35M (+ \$6M)
- Tutoring and Out-of-School Learning \$19M (+ \$4M)
- Improving Graduation Rates and CTE \$45M (+ \$6.5M)
- Standards-Based Assessments \$16.3M (+ \$2.3M)
- Instructional Materials \$65M (+ \$10M)



Public School Support Request: Year-Over-Year Change

Recurring impact on the General Fund

GF Increase	\$81 million	Percent Increase	1.7%
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Non-recurring impact on the General Fund

GF Decrease	-\$143 million	Percent Decrease	-44%
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Overall percent changes to the General Fund and all funds

Decrease to PSSR: GF	-1.2%	Decrease to PSSR: All Funds	-1.5%
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Proposals for the Public Education Reform Fund (PERF)

High Impact Tutoring	\$15 million (\$5M/Year)	Out-of-School Learning	\$42 million (\$14M/Year)
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Note: The calculations above do not include a compensation increase or an insurance increase.

Educator Recruitment and Quality

\$37.3 million

- Teacher, Administrator, and School Board PD – **\$16.5M** (+9%)
- Teacher Pipeline Programs – **\$20.8M** (+1%)

Educator Prep Programs

More than 1,100 educators graduated from EPP programs last year

Vacancies

In FY25 there were 681 teacher vacancies across New Mexico

Literacy

\$62 million

- Structured Literacy Implementation, Monitoring, Coaches, and Training (LETRS) – **\$14**
- LETRS Substitutes and Stipends – **\$8M** (SEG)
- Reading and Math Summer Programs and In-School Tutoring – **\$35M** (+21%)
- Literacy Institute Operations – **\$5M** (new)

Literacy

6,009 educators have completed training in the science of reading (LETRS)



Student Nutrition

\$47.4 million

- **New Mexico Grown and Universal, Quality Meals recurring – \$42.2M**
- **Universal, Quality Meals potential cost overrun – \$5.2M (+3.6%)**

Meals Served

FY25: 55M (+4% breakfast and +5% lunches)

FY26: 58M projected

Scratch Cooking

90 kitchens were awarded \$20.1M for scratch cooking

Accountability

\$24.8 million

- **Student Assessment – \$16.3M (+14%)**
- **Statewide Student Information System – \$8.5M**

School Accreditation

Evidence collected in FY26 provides for new accreditation statuses for FY27

Academic Interventions and Supports

\$26 million

- **Student Out of School Programs – \$14M**
- **High-Impact Tutoring – \$5M (+400%)**
- **Community Schools – \$7M (+16.7%)**

High-Impact Tutoring

Students who received math tutoring learned 43% more in one year than students who did not receive tutoring

Math and STEAM

\$17.5 million

- **Middle school math training (2,500 K-12 teachers) – \$9.8M (new - SEG)**
- **STEAM, Artificial Intelligence, and Outdoor Classrooms – \$7.7M (+15.6%)**

Building Science Leaders

80 hours of PD for 2,500 teachers

Focus on Algebra

Engaged 150 teachers from 18 school districts



Special Education

\$4
million

- **Special Education Leadership Training – \$1.5M**
- **Positive Behavioral Supports – \$1.5M**
- **Training on Streamlined, Statewide IEP – \$1M (new)**

Special Education Supports

More than 4,000 participants in special education trainings (parents, educators, and administrators) across 92 offerings

Graduation

\$55
million

- **Summer Internships – \$10M**
- **Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Work-Based Learning – \$45M (+17%)**

New Requirement

Schools will use CTE funds for serving at-risk students to increase student engagement and graduation rates

School Safety

\$3.2
million

- **Lt. Governor’s School Safety Summit – \$200,500**
- **Panic Buttons and Interoperable Communications – \$3M (+113%)**

Mobile Panic Buttons

More than 800 schools have a panic button system in place

Programs Funded in PERF/GRO

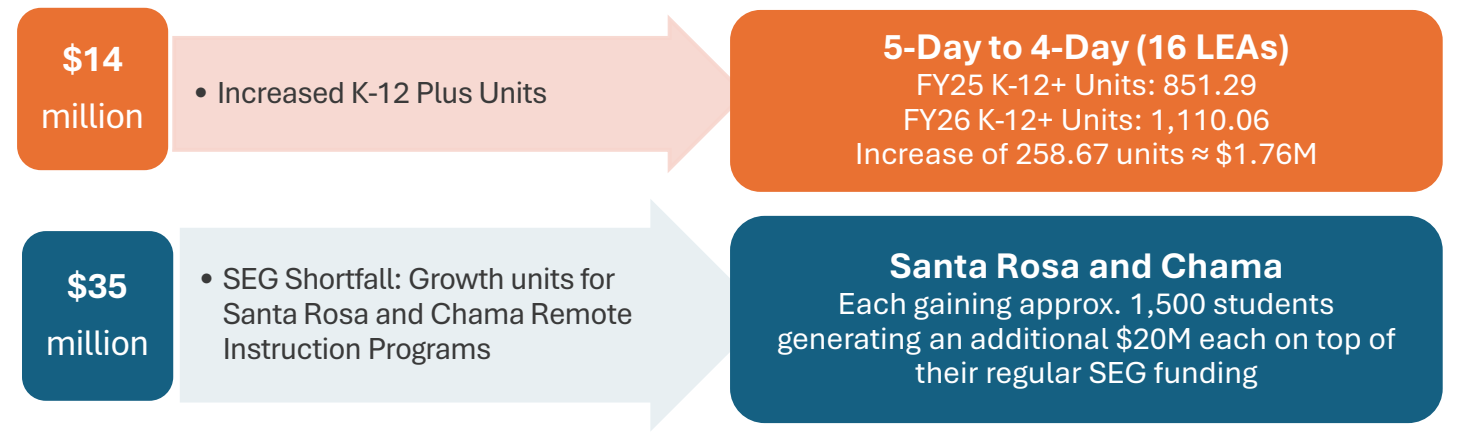
Program	Total Funding	Annual Funding	Funding Period
Educator Clinical Practice	\$60M	\$20M/year	FY25 - FY27
Special Education Stipends/Differentials	\$15M	\$5M/year	FY25 - FY27
Attendance Improvement Interventions	\$18.6M	\$6.2M/year	FY26 - FY28
Innovative Staffing Strategies	\$7.8M	\$2.6M/year	FY26 - FY28
Math Improvement Initiatives	\$13.5M	\$4.5M/year	FY26 - FY28
Secondary Literacy	\$15.6M	\$5.2M/year	FY26 - FY28
Supports for Students Who are Unhoused	\$6.3M	\$2.1M/year	FY26 - FY28

PSSR Updates for Martinez-Yazzie Action Plan*

Action Item	Action Item	Cost
1.1d	Structured literacy coaches: beginning in SY28, literacy instructional coaches will be assigned to elementary schools that have an average reading proficiency in the bottom quartile for the state.	\$14.56M
1.1h	Math pathways: develop a collection of new high school math courses that integrate career-connected learning with state math standards and graduation requirements.	\$0.5M**
1.1i	MLSS training: provide targeted PD for educators on the implementation of the MLSS to improve outcomes for students with disabilities, English Learners (EL), Native American students, and economically disadvantaged students.	\$0.4M
1.1j	New assessment items: develop culturally and linguistically relevant assessment items for the MSSA to reflect diverse experiences, languages, and culture. †	\$0.5M**
1.2a	IM resource library: expand the instructional materials resource library to provide resources that support heritage language and bilingual multicultural education programs statewide.	\$0.65M
1.2d	EL programming: provide technical assistance and guidance to school districts and charter schools to identify ELs beginning in kindergarten.	\$0.2M**
2.2d	EPP faculty: require EPPs to expand bilingual and heritage language faculty to meet statewide student demand for K-12 bilingual and heritage language educators.	\$1.2M
3.1b	Training for bus drivers: develop an online course on de-escalation strategies, positive behavioral interventions, and support to ensure student safety and to retain drivers.	\$0.35M
3.1g	Tech training: provide in-person professional development on equitable use of classroom technology, including AI.	\$0.4M
4.2b	Accreditation: collect and review school and district data, including school budget data, for the 10 relevant accreditation indicators.	\$0.75M
4.3a	New CR metrics: identify additional metrics for student success that address student outcomes through a lens of equity and cultural diversity by working with focus groups.	\$0.2M**
	MY Coordinator: hire a coordinator to ensure all action items are addressed and the state meets its obligations under the Martinez-Yazzie plan.	\$0.14M

*All funding amounts are based on the current Martinez-Yazzie Action Plan and subject to change **Total: \$19.85M**
 **Nonrecurring funding
 †This funding is for the current year

Maintaining the Unit Value



FY27 Agency Budget Request Total: \$28,952,400 (+10%)

FY26 Agency Budget: \$26,096,600

Base Increase

\$2.33 million

- Rent – **\$396,000**
- Health Benefits Swap (required due to legislative changes in 2025) – **\$1M**
- Fixed Costs Increases (GSD) – **\$682,400**
- Increase Funded Positions at PED by 2 FTE – **\$244,000**

PED has 361 positions, but funding for only 340

Expansion Request

\$360,000

- 3 New FTE (special education, school budget, and licensure) – **\$345,000**
- Hardware and Supplies for New Staff – **\$15,000**

FY27 Special Appropriations Requests

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- Martinez/Yazzie Legal Expenses – **\$500,000**