DIVERSIFYING THE EDUCATOR PIPELINE

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In 2019, LEAP became New Mexico's FIRST Statewide Alternative Non-IHE Teacher Preparation Program





LEAP STATISTICS 2019-2021









Cohorts

28

204

400

Counties Served Schools Partnered New Teachers Placed



1

Recruit to Diversify the Teacher Pipeline

- Partner with schools and communities to identify candidates.
- Remove entrance barriers of Core exams and high GPA requirements.
- Develop high standards for program entrance that is based in commitment to community, content and students.

2

Prepare Teachers to Meet the Needs of Diverse Learners.

- Every LEAP teachers is a content, special education, and literacy teacher.
- Universal Design for Learning as instructional methods and delivery.
- Utilize NM Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Framework as our core.

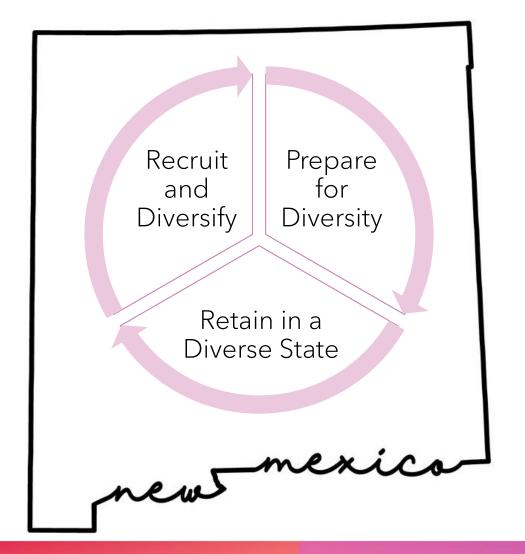
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Retain Teachers in the Profession

- Higher Education partnerships for Master's degrees.
- Pilots for dyslexia certification and TESOL certification pathways.
- Layers of intensive support in year 1.
- Partner with school mentors for consistent development.
- Strategic supports in years 2-3.

LEAP STAKEHOLDER GOALS & DATA COLLECTION TARGETS





"Diversifying the teaching pipeline is not a linear process; it is an interdependent cycle with each initiative dependent upon the success of the others. Teacher preparation has to consistently be working to improve all three areas at the same time."

- Kim Lanoy-Sandoval, LEAP

Recruiting Barriers Exist for Diverse Candidates

Core Entrance Exams

Differences in pass rates on Praxis I tests by race and ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	Praxis Tests		
	Mathematics	Reading	Writing
Gap between African-American and White test takers	-41.4%	-40.8%	-35.3%
Gap between Hispanic and White test takers	-21.0%	-16.8%	-16.5%
Gap between Asian and White test takers	-7.0%	-24.3%	-16.3%
Gap between Native-American and White test takers	-18.7%	-16.4%	-22.2%

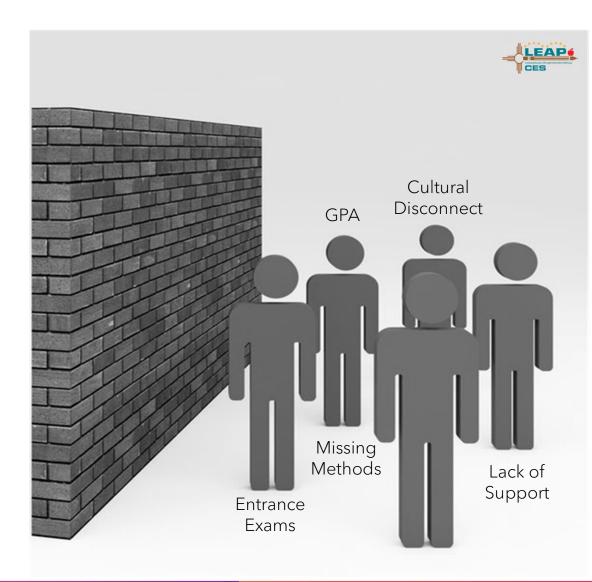
Source: Toward Increasing Teacher Diversity: Targeting Support and Intervention for Teacher Licensure Candidates by Linda Tyler (2012)

GPA Minimums

Black, Hispanic, and Native American students are more likely to come from lower-income households and work longer hours while in college, potentially lowering their GPA.

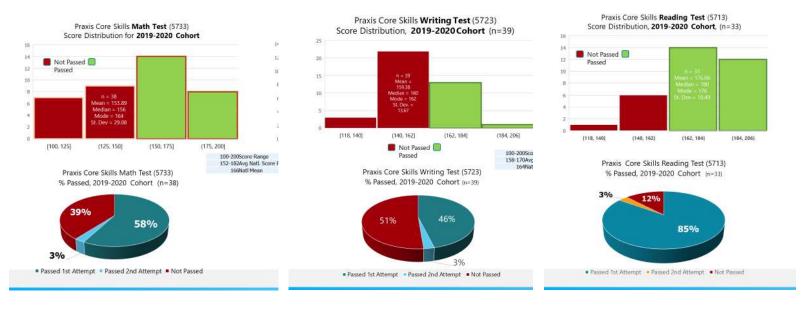
Among low-income working learners who work 15 or more hours a week, 59 percent have a C average or lower, whereas among higher income working learners, who work fewer than 15 hours a week, 65 percent have a B average or higher.

(Carnevale & Smith, 2018)





LEAP Scores On Praxis Core Exams Demonstrate How Entrance Barriers Screen Out More Than Ethnicity



LEAP Praxis Cohort 1 testing results, May 2020, of first attempts, second attempts, and not passed. *Note: Testing centers closed during the pandemic in Spring 2020.









into applying for an interim Special Education license so that she could work as a licensed teacher, and ahe tried to complete the OPAL program frough her community college. But by the time she followed her principal to Tony Hillerman Media School, her mention license had expected, her had been unable to complete the substitute in special education in one of APS's most challenging schools.

Seven years passed since her graduation from the university before she was introduced to Kim Lanoy-Sandoval and the LEAP teacher training program.

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"I am dyslexic. I finally figured that out thanks to Kim and LEAP."

but I never really understood why I was supposed to do that.
Just knowing that simple reason why matters. Now I know why
we do lesson plans, and why we need to include diversity in our

At the end of LEAP's one-year intensive program, Sedillo braced herself to take the dreaded licensing exams again. But this time, she had an advantage.



it. They say 'Mrs. Sedillo, you're just like us.' And I tell them, yes I am, and we're going to work through this together', she said. 'Miss Armio, my principal, also had faith in me. She saw how I could work with students at Errie Pyle in the South Valley, the way a lot of good in me—and thank goodness, because I wouldn't be a teacher now otherwise. Both she and Kim saw that I was good at what I do.

Today, Evelyn perseveres to pass the last of her licensing exams so that she can, at long last, finally earn the teaching certification she has been working toward for so many year, all the while serving students just like herself. And her personal study in perseverance is what she continues to pass on to her students every day in the classroom.

"We struggle together," she said of her students. "And togethe

ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS AND TEACHERS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

ARE BEING SCREENED OUT OF THE PROFESSION DUE TO TESTING BARRIERS.

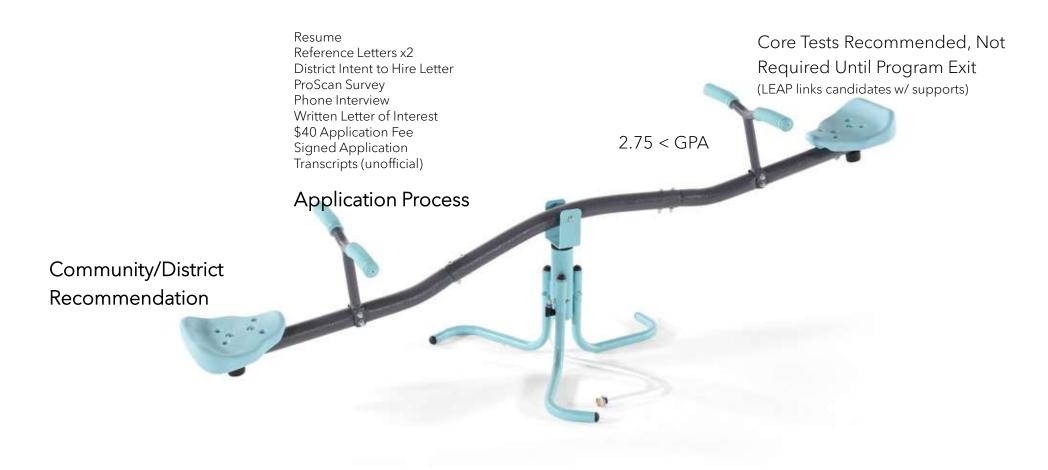
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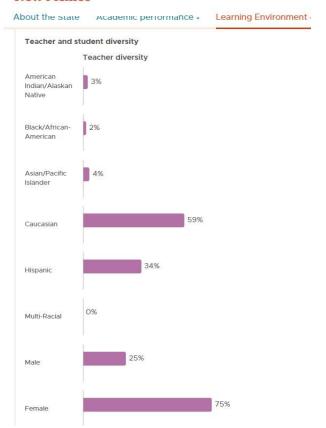
LEAP ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS



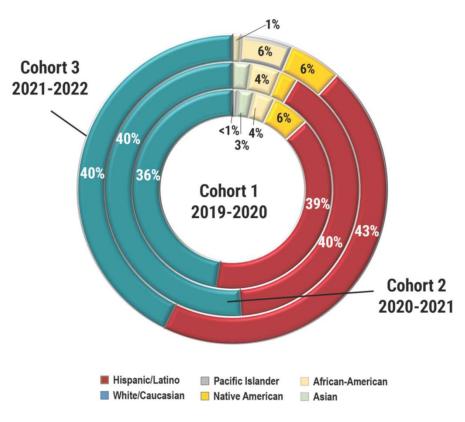


TEACHER DIVERSITY: COMPARING THE STATE WITH LEAP

New Mexico

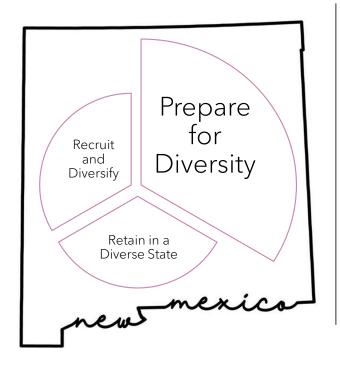


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"How do I—with my beliefs & identities -fit into the system?"

Change, Transform, and Become a CLR Change Agent Checklist



Kohn, A. (2015). To change what we do, consider what we believe: teachers' assumptions drive their practice in surprising ways. Psychology Today

CULTURALLY and LINGUISTICALLY RESPONSIVE

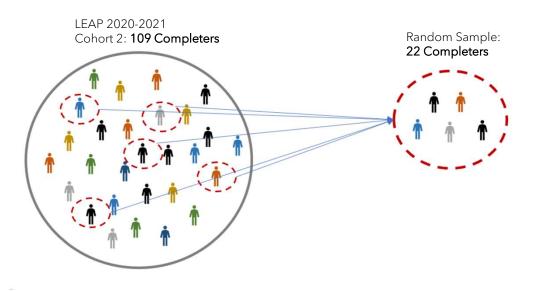
GUIDANCE HANDBOOK

New Mexico Public Education Department Language and Culture Division

CLR Guidance Handbook - 2020







Change Your Perspective

- 1 Recognize your self-identity
- 2 Know your biases
- 3 Get inspired by multicultural education, critical pedagogy, and action research
- 4 Rethink the role and design of schools
- 5 Understand the role of surface, shallow, and deep culture

Transform Leadership and Teaching Practices

- 6 Believe that all students can learn
- 7 Know your students
- 8 Know and seek strong collaboration with your students' parents, families, and communities
- 9 Affirm cultural and linguistic diversity in ALL content areas
- 10 Help students relate academic learning to their home culture
- 11 Master skills for teaching culturally diverse students

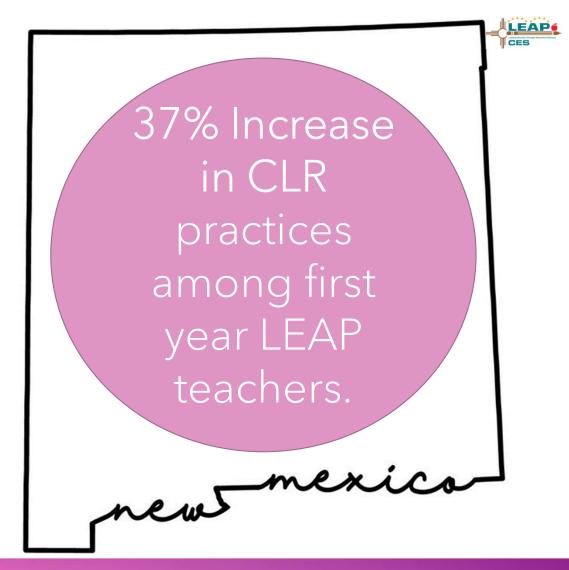
Measurement indicators from the NMPED CLR Guidance Handbook used to analyze key dispositions determined in three LEAP final assessments.

YEARLONG STUDY
TO TRACK CLR GROWTH
LEAP 2020-2021CANDIDATES

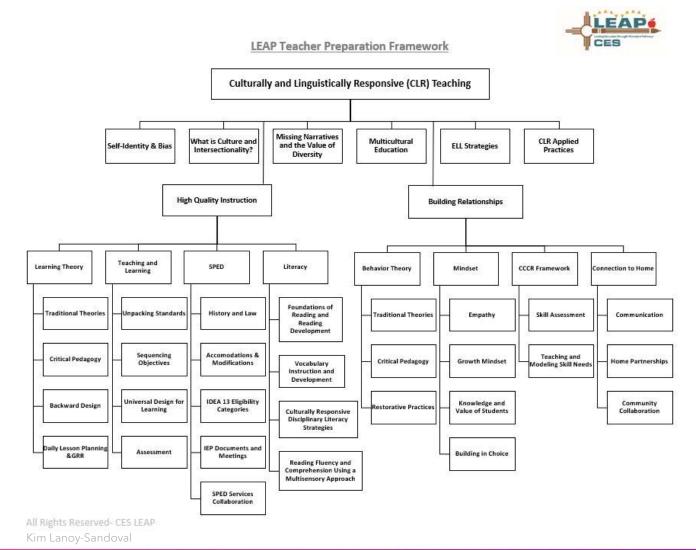
LEAP study on culturally responsive

practices.

Findings: Growth in Cultural and Linguistic Responsiveness Statewide



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NEEDED STATEWIDE EFFORTS

An alternative demonstration of teacher competency for Level 1 Licensure.

Support in bridging the gap between CLR practices for educators and *supporting* and preparing educators within a New Mexico CLR Framework.

More statewide efforts in training teachers in the principles of Universal Design for Learning for ALL students. Funding for research and supports regarding New Teacher School-Building Mentorship to develop and fund a New Mexico Mentorship Framework to support updated practices.





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