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NEW MEXICO
SCHOOL COUNSELORS'
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

COUNSELOR CONNECTION

ROOTED IN OUR STRENGTHS

STUDENTS IN NEW MEXICO
ARE ENGAGED IN A
CULTURALLY AND
LINGUISTICALLY
RESPONSIVE EDUCATIONAL
SYSTEM THAT MEETS THE
SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, AND
ACADEMIC NEEDS OF ALL
STUDENTS.

EQUITY, EXCELLENCE, AND RELEVANCE

THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
PARTNERS WITH
EDUCATORS, COMMUNITIES,
AND FAMILIES TO ENSURE
THAT ALL STUDENTS ARE
HEALTHY, SECURE, IN THEIR
IDENTITY, AND
HOLISTICALLY PREPARED
FOR COLLEGE, CAREER AND
LIFE.



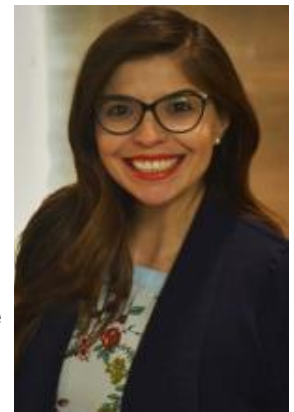
*NM School Counselors'
Community of Best Practice*

PED HIRES NEW ROLE: SCHOOL COUNSELOR LIAISON **A FEW WORDS FROM ANGELICA DELGADILLO, MA**

Hello!

I hope this email finds you well and energized for this next academic year!

I am new to the NM Public Education Department - College and Career Readiness Bureau (CCRB) and am excited to take on the newly created role of School Counselor Liaison. Barbara Armijo, who graciously coordinated with NS4Ed to share information with school counselors for the past couple of years, is still in CCRB and is now able to focus on her role as a CTE coach. I will be communicating with you directly throughout the year, but you will also continue to hear from Kelly Kennedy, kelly@ns4ed.com so make sure that is not making its way to your spam folder. 😊



A little about me...

I am from the rural community of Fort Sumner, New Mexico (you know, Billy the Kid)? I decided to leave my comfort zone, and made the trek to Albuquerque, where I graduated from The University of New Mexico (UNM) with a Bachelor of Science in Family Studies, with an emphasis in Human Development and Family Relations, and a minor in Psychology.

A few years later 😊, I graduated from New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU) with a Master of Arts in Counseling with a concentration in School Counseling. I am so grateful to the NMHU program, where I learned the

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PED HIRES NEW ROLE: SCHOOL COUNSELOR LIAISON

A FEW WORDS FROM ANGELICA DELGADILLO, MA (CONTINUED)

importance of advocating for our profession, creating a comprehensive school counseling program and collaborating with stakeholders to support students.

I was so lucky to spend the last nine years with Albuquerque Public Schools - eight of those as a college and career readiness counselor and one in the traditional school counselor role. I have been on the Rocky Mountain Association of College Admission Executive Board as the Communications Chair, as well as on College Board Committees. I look forward to collaborating with the amazing school counselors, advisors, as well as stakeholders in our beautiful state to bring awareness to various college and career readiness topics.

Please complete this [needs assessment](#) to make your voice heard regarding:

- Revisions to our website, <https://www.schoolcounselors-nm.com/>
- Topics you are interested in for monthly webinars
- Information you'd like to see included in newsletters

I appreciate your support (and patience) as I transition to this new role and look forward to meeting with you all soon to support our New Mexico students!

Take care,
Angelica

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Need support? [Make an appointment with me!](#)

NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (NMACTE) HYBRID CONFERENCE



Colorado) College & Career Ready Counselors: Resources for Resilience

The conference will take place from September 14 – 16, 2022 at CNM Workforce Training Center. There will be workshops for school counselors and advisors, including a half-day preconference with Diane Campbell, (Liberty High School in

[Register for NMACTE Hybrid Conference](#)

ASCA CAREER CONVERSATIONS

The Career Conversation Starters provide a guide for working with students, parents, and community members to address the ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success: K – 12 College-and-Career-Readiness Standards for Every Student. You'll find links to Conversation Starters for every education level at this site.

Completing ASCA/District paperwork and want to have a goal of implementing career conversations at your school? Help is available! [Connect with Angelica](#) to get started on your plan.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The ASCA's [2022 - 2023 National Educational and Health Awareness Dates](#) calendar is available for you to review and share with your school community. This calendar includes monthly, weekly, and daily awareness topics such as Self – Improvement Month, Career and Technical Education Month, National Suicide Prevention Week, and National Parent Involvement Day. This resource can guide your academic year when it comes to your bulletin boards, announcements, presentations, workshops, and events at your school. If you would like to discuss ways to implement this calendar, you can [set up a meeting with Angelica](#).

THE MORE YOU KNOW... HELPFUL RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

Career Exploration Resources

- [NM Career Cluster Guidebooks](#) are a great resource for middle and high school students to explore careers, recommended coursework, and other resources to help them on their journey. Visit the CCG page to download the current edition in English and Spanish, or order printed copies. A new edition is coming soon!
- [CareerPathways-NM.com](#) – Educators and students can explore New Mexico industries and careers. A facilitator’s guide and video tutorials are included [here](#).
- Khan Academy [Career Content](#) – Did you know that Khan Academy has a course for career exploration? You can add students to your class and assign them to lessons!

College Resources

- College Applications
 - Seniors can now apply to colleges/universities for the 2022/2023 school year!
 - There are many types of applications: school specific applications, [Common Application](#), [Coalition Application](#), [Apply Texas](#)
 - [Apply to UNM! :: New Mexico’s Flagship University | The University of New Mexico](#) – UNM’s application is available for the fall 2023 term - students can apply for FREE until October 15th
- School Profile
 - With college application season, college representatives will be viewing your school profile. [Here is a resource](#) to help you create/improve your school profile. I can also collaborate with you to revise your school profile. [Email it to Angelica!](#)
- Scholarships
 - [Quest Bridge National College Match](#) application will open September 27th, but school counselors/teachers/advisors can *now* refer high-achieving, low-income students. The National College Match is a college admission and scholarship process through which high-achieving, low-income students can be admitted early with full, four-year scholarships to Quest Bridge College Partner institutions.
 - [The Gates Scholarship](#)
 - Available: July 15
 - Deadline: September 15
 - [The University of New Mexico's Combined BA/MD Program](#)
 - Available: August 1
 - Deadline: November 3rd at 5 pm
 - Although main admissions at UNM is remaining test optional, the BA/MD program will require test scores this year for the BA/MD application. Minimum test score requirements below.

| Subject | ACT | SAT |
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| Math | 22 | 540 |
| Reading | 19 | 510 |
| English | 19 | N/A |
| Science | 19 | N/A |
- Programs
 - [Matriculate](#) is looking for New Mexico rising seniors to apply to their FREE college advising program. Matriculate’s mission is to empower high-achieving, low-income students to make the leap to the best college and universities. Student alumni rave about this experience.

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THE MORE YOU KNOW... HELPFUL RESOURCES AND INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

- **LEDA – Leadership for a Diverse America** seeks applicants in September for rising juniors. This nonprofit helps high-achieving students from under-resourced backgrounds become leaders by offering training, writing instruction, standardized test preparation, and a year of highly personalized guidance as they navigate the application and admissions process at the most competitive colleges. Throughout college and beyond, Scholars are offered ongoing advising, career counseling, postgraduate planning, and community-building support to help them succeed.
- College Fairs
 - **Rocky Mountain Association of College Admission Counseling (RMACAC)**
 - Eastern New Mexico University, Physical Education Center, 52B University Blvd, Roswell, NM 88203
 - Saturday, September 17, 2022
 - 12 pm – 3:30 pm
 - Albuquerque Convention Center, 401 2nd St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102
 - Sunday, September 18, 2022
 - 12 pm – 3 pm
 - **View Flyer**
 - **National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACAC)**
 - Virtual College Fair (hundreds of college and universities from the US and worldwide)
 - Sunday, September 11, 2022
 - 11 am – 4 pm MST
 - New Mexico College Access Council College Fairs
 - College Fairs will be taking place throughout New Mexico. Sites to be determined and posted no later than August 31, 2022.
 - Coming soon: updated NM College Guidebook
 - Contact Jered Cervantes at jacervantes@salud.unm.edu or visit them on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)
 - **View Flyer**
- FAFSA Virtual Workshops
 - NMEAF will begin hosting virtual FAFSA workshops on Monday, October 10, 2022. They will be sharing the flyer soon that you can share with your students/families.
 - Want to host a FAFSA event at your school and need some ideas on how to get started? **Set up a meeting with Angelica** to collaborate!
- Professional Learning
 - **Higher Education Access & Success ECHO** – All-teach, all-learn virtual knowledge network for counselors, educational navigators, advisors, case managers, and volunteers to gain knowledge, skills, connections, and resources to better support youth and adults on their higher education journeys. 4th Wednesdays 2:30 – 4pm MST on Zoom
 - Wednesday, September 28, 2:30 pm – 4 pm – “When Times Get Tough” – Self-advocacy & Support Systems

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THE MORE YOU KNOW... HELPFUL RESOURCES AND INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

- ECHO for Southwest College and Career Counseling –
 - ECHO for Southwest College and Career Counseling is offering a *free* virtual professional development opportunity for New Mexico & Oklahoma educators and counselors who engage in college and career counseling to Native American students. During the program, participants will have regular, ongoing, and timely access to experts, resources, training, and best practices in college and career counseling, making them more confident and equipped to serve their students. Participants can expect to join a community of practice that provides mentorship in culturally appropriate and effective practices and tools for supporting Indigenous students, as well as opportunities for recommendations and solutions to the challenges and dilemmas educators face in the implementation of college & career planning. We encourage *all* individuals who engage in college & career counseling to register for this program. Program participants may be eligible to receive a *\$250 stipend* for participating in the (8) bi-weekly, 60-minute virtual sessions, operating the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 3:30-4:30pm (MST). Please reach out to SWCCecho@salud.unm.edu if you have any questions or would like to learn more before joining the first session on August 24th.
 - Register Here: bit.ly/SWCCCregistration
 - Learn More About the Program & Curriculum Here: bit.ly/SWCCClearnmore
 - View Past Session Recordings & Slides: bit.ly/SWCCCresourceibrary

ECHO FOR SOUTHWEST COLLEGE & CAREER COUNSELING

ECMC OKLAHOMA Education ESU ECHO

- ✓ Join a **community of practice** of New Mexico & Oklahoma educators, counselors, and advisors
- ✓ Discover best practices in **college and career counseling of Native American students**
- ✓ Receive a **\$250 stipend** for attending 8 sessions

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| August 24th Aligning Career-Connected Learning Strategies | September 7th Launching Career-Connected Learning Strategies | September 21st Demonstrating Results of Career-Connected Learning | October 5th Capstones for Better Preparing Native Students |
| October 19th Improving Health Care Career Pipelines for Indigenous Students | November 2nd Partnerships with Tribal Communities to Promote Readiness | November 16th Social Emotional Learning & Work-Based Competencies | December 7th Relationships with Native-Serving Higher Ed. Institutions |

Time: 1st & 3rd Wednesday
3:30-4:30pm (MT)
4:30-5:30pm (CT)

Register here:
bit.ly/SWCCCregistration

PROJECT ECHO FOR EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
SWCCecho@salud.unm.edu echo.unm.edu

- ECHO for Social Emotional Learning is offering a *free* virtual professional development opportunity for K-12 teachers/educators. During the program, participants will discover best practices in social emotional learning that will help them develop the confidence to support and engage students in virtual, hybrid, and in-person classrooms. During the program, participants will discover opportunities for students and adults to cultivate, practices, and reflect on the social emotional competencies of; self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision making.
 - We invite you to participate in the Fall 2022 cohort, operating the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 3:30-4:30pm (MST). Please reach out to SELecho@salud.unm.edu if you have any questions.
 - Register Here: bit.ly/SELECHO
 - Learn More About the Program & Curriculum Here: bit.ly/SELlearnmore
 - View Past Session Recordings & Slides: bit.ly/SELHomepage

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THE MORE YOU KNOW... HELPFUL RESOURCES AND INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

- ECHO for School Based Health Centers is offering a *free* virtual professional development opportunity for educators, school counselors, nurses, social workers, and administrators interested in advocating for and delivering comprehensive, culturally competent health care for all students. During the program, participants will discover best practices in providing equitable behavioral and primary care that support the health, well-being, and academic success of students.
 - We invite you to participate in the Fall 2022 cohort, operating the last Tuesday of the month from 3:30-4:45pm (MST). Please reach out to SBHCecho@salud.unm.edu if you have any questions.
 - Register Here: bit.ly/SBHCregister
 - Learn More About the Program & Curriculum Here: bit.ly/SBHClearnmore
 - View Past Session Recordings & Slides: bit.ly/SBHCresourcelibrary
- New Mexico Education Assistance Foundation (NMEAF) – FAFSA Train the Trainer virtual and in-person, September 29th 8:30 am – 2pm; Location TBA; [Register here](#).
- College Board Virtual Counselor Workshops for Southwestern States – Learn about SAT, AP, and Big Future programs, and meet regional staff who can assist you. Register for an upcoming, virtual workshop [here](#) on either August 31st or September 8th.

NM SCHOOL COUNSELORS' COMMUNITY MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR 2022-23 ACADEMIC YEAR

New Mexico School Counselors' Community Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month from 2:30-3:30 p.m. The first meeting of the academic year will be held on September 21. Join us as we welcome everyone back to school, preview the upcoming year, and have an opportunity for collaboration and community-building. We plan to set aside more time to discuss issues facing school counselors so that we are better supporting the important work you are doing in your schools and communities. To register for the AY2022-23 series of meetings, click the button below.

[Register for Meetings](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- September – Self-Improvement Month (ASCA)
- September 4-10 – National Suicide Prevention Week (ASCA)
- September 6 – ECHO for Social Emotional Learning virtual session (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 7 – ECHO for Southwest College and Career Counselor virtual session (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 8 – College Board Virtual Counselor Workshop – (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 11 – NACAC Virtual College Fair (See “College Fairs” section on page 4.)
- September 11 – Grandparents’ Day (ASCA)
- September 14 – 1:00 p.m. – Career Speaker Series: Roman Escandon, Athlete Ready. Click [HERE](#) to register.
- September 14-16 – NMACTE Hybrid Conference – Click [HERE](#) to register.
- September 15 – Deadline to apply for the Gates Scholarship (See “Scholarships” section on page 3.)
- September 17 – RMACAC College Fair at ENMU (See “College Fairs” section on page 4.)
- September 17 – World Clean Up Day (ASCA)
- September 18 – RMACAC College Fair at Albuquerque Convention Center (See “College Fairs section on page 4.)
- September 18-24 – Student Sleep Health Week (ASCA)
- September 19-23 – National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week (ASCA)
- September 20 - ECHO for Social Emotional Learning virtual session (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 21 – 2:30-3:30 p.m. – NM School Counselors’ Community Monthly Meeting. Click [HERE](#) to register.
- September 21 - ECHO for Southwest College and Career Counselor virtual session (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 27 – Quest Bridge National College Match Scholarship application available (See “Scholarships” section on page 3.)
- September 27 – ECHO for School Based Health Centers virtual session (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 28 – Higher Education Access & Success ECHO virtual PD (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)
- September 29 – NMEAF’s FAFSA Train the Trainer (See “Professional Learning” section on page 4.)

FINANCIAL AID EDUCATION COURSE WITH CANVAS

The New Mexico Public Education Department and the New Mexico Education Assistance Foundation has teamed up to create a Financial Aid Education course with Canvas. As of July 29, 2022, New Mexico is ranked 39th in the nation on Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion and 3rd in the country in year-over-year percentage change in FAFSA completions by 6.9%. That is something to be proud of! The goal of the Canvas course is that everyone in our state will have access to learn the ins-and-outs of the financial aid process. The FAFSA will be available October 1st for the 2023-24 academic year – so the hope is that it'll be up and running by then, so school counselors, advisors, teachers, and parents can have our New Mexico students walk through the process before they apply. Stay tuned!

TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Have ideas or know of a professional development opportunity to share? Email Angelica.

Why re-invent the wheel? Help build a Resource Library for NM school counselors and students by contributing your handouts, presentations, helpful links/resources for inclusion on <https://schoolcounselors-nm.com/>. [Email Angelica.](#)

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JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF NEW MEXICO CAREER SPEAKER SERIES

In the Junior Achievement Career Speaker Series, a volunteer guest speaker virtually “visits” the classroom and shares information about his or her career, work, and education experience. The speaker may bring props, work samples, or other visuals to help engage students in the virtual session.

These virtual speaker sessions will take place on the second Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

The first four sessions are:

- September 14th, @ 1:00 PM MT: Roman Escandon, Athlete Ready – Click [HERE](#) to register.
- October 12th, @ 1:00 PM MT: Natalie Tobin, Runway Salon - Click [HERE](#) to register.
- November 9th, @ 1:00 PM MT: Don Tarry, PNM - Click [HERE](#) to register.
- December 14th, @ 1:00 PM MT, Arlene Armijo, New Neuvo Mexico - Click [HERE](#) to register.

Students can also watch previous episodes of Career Speaker Series on YouTube by clicking [HERE](#).