"Economies of scale through (REC's) allow districts to leverage limited resources into targeted support for multiple schools and to share costs with other school districts. RECs must also be accountable to their customers, react to the marketplace, act as entrepreneurs, and respond to federal, state, and local district needs."

Rod Paige, Past-U.S. Secretary of Education

ABOUT THE COOPERATIVES

In 1984, the New Mexico State Board of Education established Cooperatives (RCCs) under SBE Regulation No. 84.6. In 1993, the New Mexico State Legislature created Regional Education Cooperatives, Act 22-2B-1 to 22-2B-6, NMSA 1978, as "state agencies administratively attached to the Public Education Department". Unlike educational service agencies in other states, Regional Education Cooperatives (RECs) receive minimal direct, state funding to support the programs and services they provide. Their existence and success depends upon providing programs and services that would otherwise be cost prohibitive to their member districts. The RECs depend upon revenues from contracted delivery of services to districts, grants, inter-governmental agreements, and joint-powers agreements.

About the Association



The New Mexico Regional Education Cooperatives Association (NMRECA) is composed of ten Regional Education Cooperatives that are located throughout New Mexico supporting 89 school districts, charter schools and state-supported schools, with direct services to 68 member districts.

The NMRECA envisions a system of regional and statewide collaboration ensuring all New Mexico children, families, schools, and communities receive high-quality and comprehensive education and health services.

NMRECA was organized in 1997 by the Executive Directors of the regional education cooperatives.

NMRECA is affiliated with the NM Coalition of Educational Leaders (NMCEL), Association of Educational Service Agencies (AESA), Association of School Business Officials (ASBO), Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD), and National Staff Development Council.

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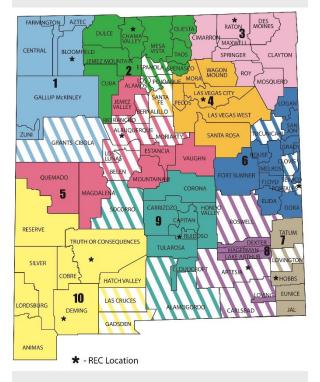
NM RECA...Educational service agencies collaborating as partners in support of the educational mission for all New Mexico children.



Every Student, Every Region, Every Day

NM RECA MAP

New Mexico's 10 RECs are geographically distributed across the state and support 89 School Districts, with direct services to 68 member districts.



RECs are a vital and necessary component of New Mexico's education system and will continue to serve as a conduit and delivery system for New Mexico's school improvement and transformation.

RECA SERVICES: A SNAPSHOT

The following are just some of the many services provided by RECs in New Mexico:

- Bus Driver Training
- Career Readiness & Work Study Programs
- · Charter Schools Support & Training
- · Child Find Activities
- Coordinate School-Reform Initiatives for NMPED
- Cooperative School Nurse & Related Services
- Education Data Collection & Analysis
- E Rate
- Fiscal Agency & Business Management Services
- · Graduation/Drop Out Prevention
- Interactive Technology Training and Coaching
- Library: Instructional Materials & Equipment
- Medicaid School-Based Health Services
- Parent Training
- · Principal Mentoring
- Linguistically and Culturally Responsive Teaching Professional Development
- FERPA Training
- · School & District Strategic Planning
- School-Based Health Clinics
- Special Education Technical Assistance
- Standards & Data-Based Instructional Facilitation
- Substance Abuse Prevention
- Character Education/Bullying
- Suicide Prevention
- Teacher Evaluation Training & Support
- Teacher Mentoring & Classroom Coaching
- Technology Assistance & Maintenance
- Dossier Consultants
- Principals Pursing Excellence (PPE)
- · Teachers Pursuing Excellence (TPE)
- School Safety Support

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