Welcome

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

Thank you for your attention!

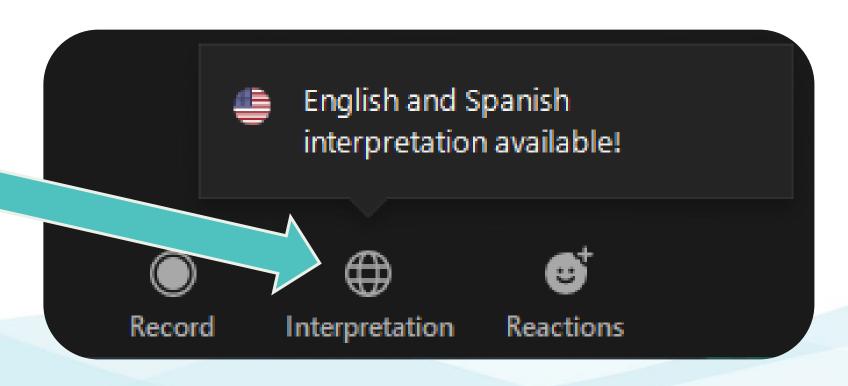
Language Instructions

Inglés > Español

Instrucciones de Interpretacion

Step 1: Click the Interpretation Symbol

Paso 1: Selecciona el symbol de INTERPRETACION

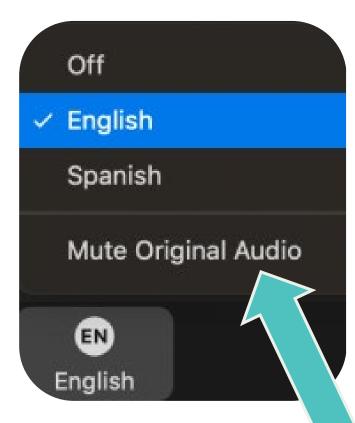


Steps 2 and 3: Choose From the Menu PASO 2 Y 3: Elija de el menu

- You'll then see a menu; click "Spanish" OR "English"
 - Vas a ver el menu; click "Spanish"
- If you would prefer to hear ONLY Spanish, also click "Mute Original Audio." Otherwise you will hear the Spanish loud and clear and the English quietly.
 - Si usted prefire escuchar SOLO Español, tambien click "Mute Original Audio"
- If you choose "English" you will automatically hear only English.

You will now hear the Spanish interpretation.

Usted escuchara ahora la Interpretacion en Español



Secretary Updates

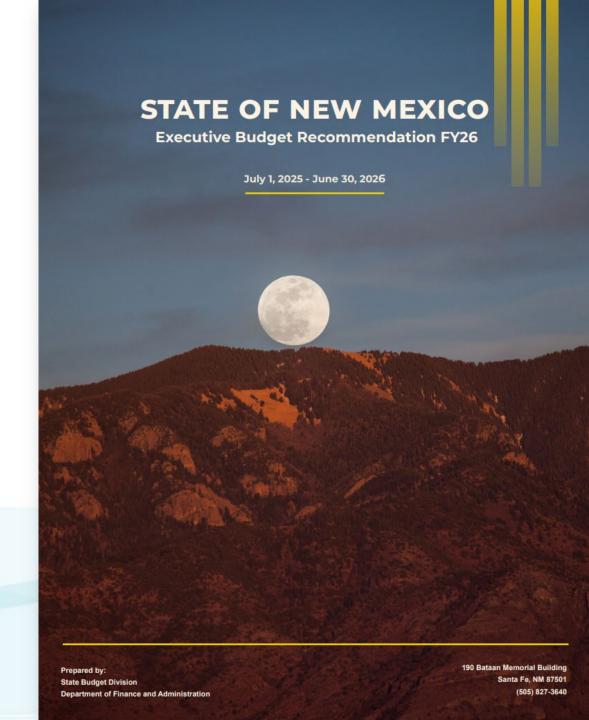




Gov. Lujan Grisham's FY26 Budget Recommendation

Michelle Lujan Grisham released her FY26 budget – building on progress made during her first six years in office while boosting investments in health care, child well-being, and infrastructure across New Mexico.

Visit Gov. Lujan Grisham releases FY26 budget recommendation to access a copy.



Gov. Lujan Grisham FY26 Budget Recommendation: Early Childhood Highlights

- \$98 million for child care assistance
- \$45.2 million for prekindergarten
- \$10 million for Family Infant Toddler (FIT) early intervention services
- \$10 million for home visiting services
- \$4.7 million for Family Infant Toddler
 (FIT) Medicaid state match
- \$3 million to support Tribal communities
- \$2.5 million for educator incentives

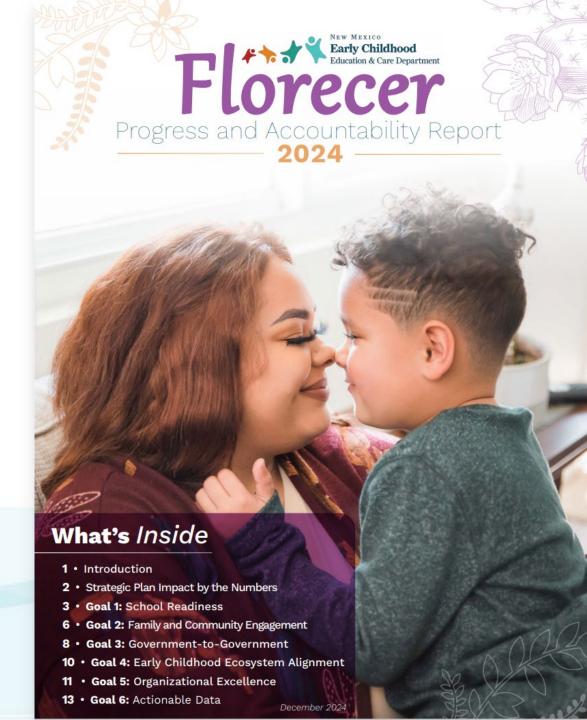
- \$104.6 million for transforming child care quality across New Mexico
- \$10 million to implement a wage and career lattice
- \$2 million for FIT professional development
- \$10 million for low-interest loans to increase child care capacity

Published: Florecer Progress and Accountability Report 2024

Every year, ECECD publishes a Progress and Accountability Report alongside our Strategic Plan. This year's progress report is now available!



Visit <u>www.nmececd.org/2021/12/17/report-and-plans/</u> to access a copy.



Florecer Progress and Accountability Report 2024 Strategic Plan Impact by the Numbers



Growth in New Mexico PreK

Children served, FY23: 14,440

• Children served, FY24: 17,530

21% increase



Growth in Home Visiting

Children served, FY23: 7,225

• Children served, FY24: 7,764

▲ 7% increase



Growth in Infant Toddler Child Care

Children served, FY23: 7,497

Children served, FY24: 8,354

▲ 11% increase



Growth in Child Care Assistance

Children served, FY23: 25,839

Children served, FY24: 28,348

▲ 10% increase



Growth in Family Infant Toddler (FIT)

Children served, FY23: 14,865

Children served, FY24: 15,732

▲ 6% increase

FY26 PreK Grant Application Coming Soon

When:

- Open date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025
- End date: Friday, February 14, 2025, by 3 p.m.

The NM PreK Grant is a competitive, multi-year grant for tribal, licensed child care centers, licensed child care homes, Head Start, school districts, and/or charter schools to offer the NM PreK program according to the established New Mexico PreK Standards.

ECECD awards PreK Grants for four years contingent upon available funding and the grantees continued compliance with the NM PreK standards.

Informational Sessions

ECECD will host several digital information sessions focused on the PreK grant.

Additional Details

ECECD's website will feature an official PreK Grant landing page with complete details launching January 15, 2025. *Additional details to follow.*

Vendor Invitations Announcement

EARLY CHILDHOOD DAY 2025 AT THE ROUNDHOUSE

SAVE E THE DATE

Monday, March 17



NEW MEXICO

Early Childhood

Education & Care Department

Next Community Call

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025

Questions?

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