

Charter Chatter

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Notes from Christy Takacs, Executive Director

As many of you make the transition to some type of in-person learning and having actual human beings on campus, I wanted to remind you of the areas of support that ACES currently has available. The mission of ACES is to support NM charter schools! We are working hard to understand your needs, seeking avenues to fill those needs, and creating opportunities for partnerships with local educators, vendors, consultants and businesses across the state of New Mexico! Let us know how we can help YOU!



What we do...

- Procurement
- Programs and Services

We want you to call us FIRST!

Current Procurement Contracts:

- Bulk Food/Cafeteria Food Service
- Landscaping and Grounds Maintenance
- Handyman Services
- Security Personnel and Products/Services
- Business Management Services
- Online Ancillary Services
- Custodial/Sanitization
- Educational/Instructional Technology
- Transportation
- HVAC

Employment Services

This program helps to get your job listings posted on several different platforms.

- Frontline Education portal
- link on ACES website
- K12Jobspot website
- ACES Facebook Page
- Indeed
- ACES LinkedIn Page
- ad will be placed in the Albuquerque Journal and online (May - August)
- ad will be placed on Craigslist (April - September)

- **Facility Maintenance**
- **Substitute Management**
- **Cadre Professionals**

- Special Education Support and Training
- Bilingual/ELL Support and Training
- Administrator Mentorship and Support

ACES Procurement News

About every four years, ACES publishes RFP's in the areas we have current contracts. It is now time to solicit proposals for Charter School Business Office Services. We are advertising for four types of Business Office Services: (1) software to operate the business office, (2) staff to provide turn key or partial management of the business office, (3) substitute business office staff when a current charter school employee needs to go on leave, and (4) facilitating training/support through small workgroups

to provide business office staff the opportunity share techniques for effective business operation. The RFP was published February 6, 2021 and the proposals are due March 5, 2021. If you know a person, group or company that might be interested in providing a proposal please have them email Max.L@nmaces.org and request an RFP. Also, if you would be interested in serving on the Evaluation Committee, email Max and let him know. It is a great opportunity to learn about the procurement process!



Vendor Highlight - K12 Accounting

[K12 Accounting](#)

Many public schools in New Mexico are currently facing a crisis in the business office. The number of business managers in New Mexico reaching the age of retirement is increasing, resulting in the qualified talent pool getting smaller and consisting of applicants with a lack of school business and governmental accounting expertise. This results in excessive and repeat audit findings, mismanagement of funds, potential financial statement misstatements and ultimately the potential loss of funding. When this happens, the school's administration can no longer keep their focus on education and the classroom.

K12 Accounting offers public schools a solution to their business office that ultimately allows administrators to spend less time worrying about the school's finances and more time focusing on the classroom.

K12 Accounting is a full-service public school business office management company that works with public schools to provide strategic planning to meet the school's long-term goals, optimize funding and keep the schools on a financial path that is sustainable and healthy. K12 Accounting handles all areas of school business office management including financial audit preparation and support, budget preparation and management, accounting services, payroll, purchasing, accounts payable, state reporting, federal reporting, grant management, governing council reporting and other accounting back office support.

For additional information on K12 Accounting and how we can help your school, please email Bryan Runyan, CPA at bryan@k12accounting.com or give us a call at 505-433-5469.





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