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NOTE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CHRISTY TAKACS

Supporting Our Members & Connecting You with Resources

Thank you to everyone who joined us for last month's School Support Workshop in Albuquerque! We appreciate the opportunity to connect with our members, share ideas, and provide resources that support the important work you do every day. I'd also like to give a big shout out to JMP Academy, DMH Law, Christine Duncan Heritage Academy Staff, and ACES staff for making this happen! ❤️

We're not stopping there! Our plan is to continue creating opportunities to support our members through **additional regional workshops and regular webinars** featuring topics, tools, and resources that are helpful to the ACES community. See below for more event information! We are also continuously soliciting for **new contracts and services** to expand the resources available to our participating agencies.

~ NEW AND UPCOMING EVENTS ~

NEW!!! What Works Wednesdays: Timely Tips without the Tricks!

Starting next Wednesday (9/9), ACES is providing a NEW webinar series that will cover pertinent, time-relevant topics for participating agencies. These 30-minute sessions will take place on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10:00am with room for questions and discussion afterwards.

 First Topic: Procurement Audit Matters (September 9th at 10am)

We'll cover **audit compliance requirements tied to ACES contracts and services**, and compliance in general. We especially want to hear if you've received an audit "ding" related to any service ACES provides so we can best assist you. Expect **practical tips, real-world examples, and a friendly space to learn**. Whether you're new to ACES or seasoned, these sessions will help you stay compliant and confident. Hope to see you soon and pass along to anyone that would benefit at your school!

Zoom/Calendar Link

SAVE THE DATE!!!

October 23rd from 9am to 2pm

Sendero Prep Charter School, Las Cruces

Definition of "Auditor"- Someone who goes around after the battle has been fought and bayonets all the wounded."

NEED A VENDOR? IT'S EASY!

One of the benefits of being an ACES member is having access to our growing network of contracted vendors.

1. Find a vendor.

Visit our [website](#) and select **Find a Vendor** at the top of the page and then select **Contracted Vendors** to browse our current vendors. You can view vendors sorted by type or search for a specific one. Each vendor tab includes contact and contract information. Vendor services include:

Ancillary
Construction Management/Technical Assistance
Custodial/Janitorial Services
Dual Language Program
Educational/Instructional Technology & Support
Explore Learning Model Curriculum
Facilities Management
Fencing Installation & Services
Financial/Business Management
Food Related Services
Handyman Services

HVAC / Plumbing / Electric / Refrigeration
Landscaping & Grounds Management
Marketing & Data Analytic Services
Multi-Sensory Reading Instruction/Tutoring Services
Roofing
Security & Safety Systems
Software Products (SIS-LMS-ERP)
Special Education Support
Temporary Staffing
Unarmed Security Personnel

2. Request a quote.

Once you find a vendor that can meet your agency's needs, contact them directly and request a quote for the services you are interested in. **Be sure to mention you are a member of ACES!**

3. Ready to move forward? Send us a PO.

Once you have received your quote and are ready to proceed, simply send ACES a **Purchase Order (PO)** that **references the vendor and the applicable RFP number**. Email your PO to businessoffice@nmaces.org. **That's it!** We'll take it from there, and you're ready to work with your selected ACES contracted vendor.

We encourage you to visit the **ACES [website](#) regularly** to explore our available services, active contracts, contracted vendors, and upcoming opportunities. And remember, **we're always here to help!** If you have a question, need assistance finding a resource, or have an idea for a service that would benefit your school, please reach out to us!

ACES CONTRACTED VENDOR HIGHLIGHT

Building Charter School Capacity

Free, Expert Autism Professional Development



Autism Learning Partners (ALP) supports charter schools to provide free, autism-specific professional development that equips educators with practical strategies, builds confidence, and drives measurable student success.

How ALP Supports School Teams

Ready-to-Use Professional Development

Practical training for educators addressing real classroom challenges.

Evidence-Based Strategies + Coaching

Learn and apply proven approaches to improve communication, behavior, engagement, and independence.

Collaborative Progress Monitoring

Receive ongoing feedback to ensure consistency, data-driven decisions, and continuous program improvement.

Why Charter Schools Choose ALP

- Training designed for real classroom challenges and grounded in evidence-based autism practices
- Focus on sustainable impact across your charter school

Partner With Us!



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New Member Agency, Welcome to ACES!

Clayton Municipal Schools

WHAT WE ARE:

ACES provides extensive services, support, and technical assistance to New Mexico charter schools. Members have access to cooperative purchasing of goods and services from vetted, high-quality vendors.

WHO WE ARE:



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WHAT WE OFFER:

- ◆ Procurement with Contracted Vendors
- ◆ Job Posting and Search Management
- ◆ High-Level Managerial & Admin Support
- ◆ Substitute Teachers (ABQ, LC)
- ◆ Marketplace (Vendor Spotlight/Promo)



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