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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents and Charter School Leaders

FROM: Mariana D. Padilla, Secretary of Public Education Initial MDP

RE: **Revised Graduation Requirements Manual**

This memorandum announces the release of the *revised* Graduation Requirements Manual for New Mexico (Graduation-Manual-–-HB171.pdf), which outlines the updated graduation standards designed to help students graduate prepared for success in college, careers, and beyond. The manual is in alignment with Section 22-13-1.1 NMSA 1978 and should be implemented for **Cohort 2029** and beyond.

Key revisions include:

- Graduation Requirements for Students with Disabilities
- Appendices: Core Course Codes
- Graduate Profiles
- Next-Step Plans

For questions regarding this memorandum, please contact Grad.Questions@ped.nm.gov.

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