

## Concise Explanatory Statement For Rulemaking Adoption:

### Findings required for rulemaking adoption:

#### Findings MUST include:

- Reasons for adopting rule, including any findings otherwise required by law of the agency, and a summary of any independent analysis done by the agency;
- Reasons for any change between the published proposed rule and the final rule; and
- Reasons for not accepting substantive arguments made through public comment.

Specific statutory or other authority authorizing rulemaking:  
Sections 9-24-8, 22-2-1, 22-2-2, and 22-13-34 NMSA 1978

Rule adoption date:  
06/12/2025

Rule effective date:  
06/24/2025

Reasons for adopting rule: The proposed rule provides standards and procedures for the New Mexico Purple Star Public Schools Program.

The proposed new rule does the following:

- establishes the criteria and application process for the New Mexico Purple Star Public Schools Program; and
- outlines required program elements for schools with and without military-connected students to obtain designation as a Purple Star Public School.

Reasons for any change between the published proposed rule and the final rule: The department reviewed and considered all written and oral feedback received during the public comment period. There were no changes between the published proposed rule and the adopted rule. For more detail on the proposed rule, the rule as adopted, and information as to why the department may not have accepted comments or suggested changes, please see "6.30.19 NMAC, Response to Public Comment," attached.

Issuing authority (If delegated, authority letter must be on file with ALD):

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Title:

Assistant Secretary

Signature: (BLACK ink only OR Digital Signature)

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Response to Public Comment  
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RULE CHANGES	
Section	Change
6.30.19 NMAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No changes.</li></ul>

Response to Public Comment  
6.30.19 NMAC, Purple Star Public Schools Program

**Public Comment Period:** May 6, 2025-June 5, 2025

The New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) received three public comments for this rule.

Response to Public Comment  
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Summary of Comments	PED Response
Comments expressing support for the proposed rule.	The department concurs.
Comment expressing support and suggestion to add language to the rule to require professional development for all school staff and to establish partnerships with installation school liaisons for military-connected students. Additional suggestions include expanding training sources, clarifying definitions, ensuring consistent identification of military students, and enhancing collaboration with educators for effective implementation.	While the proposed rule does not mandate professional development for all staff or formal partnerships with installation school liaisons, participating schools may adopt these practices at the local level to best serve military families. PED will provide technical support to schools wishing to implement additional components.