



RECA School Reentry Childcare Project

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Purpose

RECs will collaborate closely with the NM Public Education Department and the NM Early Childhood Education and Care Department to assist families in finding available childcare services while schools are operating in a remote or hybrid environment



Outcomes

- ▶ Identified local child care options
- ▶ Created resources for families and districts to find child care
- ▶ Shared these resources widely
- ▶ Surveyed providers to identify issues they are having and connected them to appropriate resources
- ▶ Surveyed schools to identify issues and connected them to appropriate resources
- ▶ Tried to create collaboration models to get community players talking about how to support child care needs
- ▶ Have worked with families to identify child care



Survey trends

- ▶ Providers need furniture for school-age students
- ▶ Providers are having difficulty finding workers
- ▶ Providers need funding
- ▶ Providers need additional materials to keep things safe (PPE, cleaning supplies)
- ▶ Providers need technology support
- ▶ Providers are struggling with supporting online learning



Collaboration Opportunities

- ▶ Strong community models
- ▶ Survey Monkey
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GDJG8M6>
- ▶ New Mexico Child Care and Education Association problem solving collaboration with providers



Successes

- ▶ Connected districts and providers
- ▶ Helped parents find child care
- ▶ Hosting a collaboration model in Las Vegas
- ▶ Helped providers find furniture
- ▶ Connected providers needing assistance to ECECD
- ▶ Helped districts think through how to solve their child care needs when they go hybrid
- ▶ Radio spots
- ▶ RECA website <https://www.nmreca.org/School-Reentry-Child-Care-Support-Project>

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