



# Southwest Regional

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## EDUCATION COOPERATIVE

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### Who are we?

Southwest Regional Education Cooperative (SWREC) is an agency serving 8 member public school districts in southwest New Mexico by providing professional development, classroom and leadership coaching, technical assistance and fiscal management.

### MEMBER DISTRICTS include:

- Animas Public Schools
- Cobre Consolidated Schools
- Deming Public Schools
- Hatch Valley Public Schools
- Lordsburg Municipal Schools
- Reserve Independent Schools
- Silver Consolidated Schools
- T or C Municipal Schools

*We are driven by your success!*

### UPCOMING EVENTS



A complete list of events and registration links can be found on our website calendar:

<https://www.swrecnm.org/Calendar>

**Our newsletter emails will soon be coming to you from a new service.**

**Don't miss out!**

**[Click here to sign up](#) and you'll get all of the event information so you will always be **In the Know!****

**Professional Learning Opportunities at  
SWREC Training Center  
1321 E Poplar in Deming, NM**

*Click on titles for more information and registration information*

**[Let's Get Students Talking about Math](#) (10:00 - 1:00) Oct 17**

**[Workstations are Not Busy Work: Grades K-2](#) (AM session) Oct 18**

**[Workstations are Not Busy Work: Grades 3-5](#) (PM Session) Oct 18**

**[Best Practices for Teaching: Creating an Environment for Learning](#) Oct 23**

**[Number Talks K-2: Advancing Student's Mathematica Communication](#) Nov 4**

**[Number Talks 3-5: Advancing Student's Mathematical Communication](#) Nov 5**

**[Content Area Literacy: Everyone is a Reading Teacher](#) Nov 7**

**[What Do You Do When You Don't Know What to Do? Managing Student Behaviors](#) Nov 13**

**[Autism Basics](#) Nov 14**

**[Let's Reflect: Refining our Reading Block and Workstations Grades K-2](#) Nov 15**

**[The Wonderful World of Word](#) Nov 19**

**[Best Practices for Teaching: Laying the Foundation for Learning](#) Nov 20**

**FREE to member district staff!**

Cost is \$150 for non-member districts for full-day workshops, \$75 for half-day workshops.

If you have any questions, please call (575) 546.5951 and ask to speak with Lisa Pastran, our Event Coordinator extraordinaire!



**Have IDEAS or NEEDS for other learning topics?  
Email Chasity Montes at [cmontes@swrecnm.org](mailto:cmontes@swrecnm.org) to share!**



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## Monthly Recap

200 members attended our September Trainings:

Observation and Feedback: Close the Achievement Gap and Help Your Teachers Flourish  
Deming Initial CPI

The WHAT? WHY? WHEN? and HOW? of Comprehension and Fluency  
SPED Law Institute Day 1 & 2

How to be an Effective EA

Growing Engagement with NM Agriculture in the Classroom: A Hands-On NGSS Experience

The Wonders of OneNote

Deming CPI Refresher Trainings

Response to Intervention, the SAT and Multi-Layered Systems of Support: The Basics

- **Did YOU attend one of our trainings? If yes, please click [here](#) to give us feedback so we can improve our offerings!**

## Here's what attendees are saying:

This training gave me some great resources that I can take back to my school site and do mini PD with my teachers

The hands-on lesson pieces were exceptional

You have so many great trainings offered this year! We are excited with what is currently being offered!

The information in this training was original and easily transferable to my classroom

This was perfect! I can't wait to go back to my building and share what I have learned

This training was great. I did not find anything that wasn't helpful

I would like to see more attend the trainings. It is all worth their time



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left to right: Erica Reyes, Lisa Pastran, Kristina Camacho

From planning, presenting, and facilitating, there is a lot that goes on that SWREC handles that you may not think about when you attend your training. Let's shine the spotlight on Events this month and help you see it a little clearer!

Our event coordinator extraordinaire is Lisa Pastran, who has been with SWREC since 2013. For our external events, Lisa does the pre-planning, such as contracts for the venues where the event is to be held, catering, lodging arrangements, registration site, name badges, sign-in sheets, and any other accommodations that may be requested. She also assists in developing programs and agendas when asked. You will often see her at the events behind the registration desk.

Kristina Camacho is relatively new to our organization, joining our team one year ago this month, but handles all of her duties like a seasoned pro. For all of the trainings that happen at SWREC's Training Center, she creates the registration site and gets the information ready so it can be posted to our website and social media sites. She sets up the room, gets sign-in sheets printed, and ensures you have fresh hot coffee, teas, water and snacks. She is also responsible for cleaning up after each event. She collects our data, such as who attended and what districts were represented.

When it comes to keeping it all running smoothly, our Operations Manager Erica Reyes keeps a watchful eye on it all. She has been with the team since 2017. For external events, the initial setup of contracts begins with Erica as she works with NM PED bureaus and outside organizations. She works closely with them to ensure spending stays within their budgets and procurement requirements are followed. Post-event data for the external events is handled by Erica, as well as any reimbursements and certificates when needed. Erica jumps in and helps with any of the pre-planning and event day responsibilities to make sure everything is done in a professional and timely manner. *(continued on next page)*



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Our staff includes instructional specialists that you see out in the schools of your districts and also in SWREC's Training Center sharing their expertise. There are times SWREC brings in presenters that are experts in their field to provide our members with the best possible professional development to enrich your instruction for our most prized assets, our students. These professional development opportunities are FREE to our members!

Did you know that we also do many of NM PED and other outside organizations event facilitation? Many of you may have attended NM PED's biggest events the past few years, the Inspire 2019 (formerly Teacher Summit). A few of our other events (*we have done 57 external events so far in 2019 with approximately 1,700 attending*) for NMPED and others include:

- Charter School Conference
- STEM Conference
- School Food Back to School Conference
- PBIS
- Governor's Stem Challenge

Yep, that is us who not only greet you at the registration tables, but who also arrange your lodging, parking, meals, set up the ability to have the Sched app for IOS and Android for viewing conference and workshop content on your phones, make arrangements for audio and video in the breakout sessions, order any of the materials NM PED or other organizations need (banners, handouts, bags, TShirts, books, water bottles, pins, badges, those fun badge flairs, etc), and stuff goodie bags. When you are offered reimbursements and certificates for completions, that is all our team of 17 full and part time employees behind the scenes making it happen!

For our local in-house trainings, we want you to know that they are open to all. Just because a topic may be under SPED or Technology, as an example, do not let that deter you from signing up! You do not have to be a SPED teacher or a Technology teacher to gain from the information that is being presented! Usually SPED practices are simply great strategies that can be beneficial to all students.

As the saying goes, it takes a village..... As you sit in your next training, we hope you will think about the pride and care we take in providing you a wonderful learning experience. Although we have highlighted three of our team specifically as our Events team, each and every one of our staff has a role at one time or another

Have you taken our Technology Professional Needs Assessment Survey? Your input is valuable for us to be able to provide educational technology support that assist you with the resources and skills you need to meet the technology requirements embedded in common core standards as well as your teaching domains. Please take a moment to **take the survey**. Thank you!



## DID YOU KNOW...

... There are only 11 weekends left in 2019?

...You should avoid updating software while connected to untrusted networks (airport, hotel, coffee shop)? And you should NOT trust a link for updates in an email message. Go to a trusted vendor's website or set your device (computer, phone, or other electronic device) to do updates automatically!

... NMPED has an Autism Portal to benefit individuals, families, educators and providers with 24/7 accessible online resources? The portal provides training to public school educators and covers topics that affect students in preschool through high school. Additionally, the portal offers blog posts on various ASD topics written by UNM CDD staff, providing a way for the community to comment and discuss important ASD topics.

- [Autism Portal](#) Link
- [Autism Portal/Training for Educators](#) link