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April 27, 2021

Western New Mexico University
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Dear Dean Debra Dirksen:

I have accepted the recommendation of the Certified Review Team to approve Western New Mexico University state accreditation through 2024. The following licensure programs have been approved for Western New Mexico University (WNMU):

Licensure Programs:

Early Childhood Alternative Licensure, Elementary Education Alternative Licensure, Secondary Education Alternative Licensure, and Special Education Alternative Licensure

Traditional licensure programs: Career and Technical Training Licensure, Early Childhood Education Licensure, Elementary Education Licensure, Secondary Education Licensure, Physical Education Licensure, Bilingual Education, Special Education Licensure, and Educational Leadership

Endorsements: TESOL Endorsement and Bilingual Endorsement

The Comprehensive State Accreditation approval is based on information gathered during the fall virtual site visit to your institution by the Certified Review Team representing the New Mexico Public Education Department.


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Please extend my appreciation to your administrators, faculty, and your staff for your preparation of the comprehensive state accreditation visit. I wish you and your staff at Western New Mexico University every success.

Best,

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