

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

Public Hearing. The New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing in Mabry Hall located at the Jerry Apodaca Education Building, 300 Don Gaspar Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, on Friday, July 26, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (MST). The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public input on proposed new rule 6.12.10 NMAC, Medical Cannabis in Schools. At the hearing, the PED will provide a verbal summary statement on record. Attendees who wish to provide public comment on record will be given three (3) minutes to make a statement regarding the rule changes. Written comment will also be accepted at the hearing.

Explanation of Purpose and Summary of Text. The purpose of this rule is to establish the criteria for the possession, storage, and administration of medical cannabis to qualified students for use in the school setting. The proposed rule also outlines medical cannabis restrictions, parental responsibilities, and school district and charter school exemptions.

Statutory Authorizations: Sections 9-24-8, 22-2-1, and 22-2-2 NMSA 1978.

Public Comment. Interested parties may provide comment at the public hearing or may submit written comments by mail to the Policy Division, New Mexico Public Education Department, 300 Don Gaspar Avenue, Room 101, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501, by electronic mail to rule.feedback@state.nm.us, or by fax to (505) 827-6520. All written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (MST) on Friday, July 26, 2019. The PED encourages the early submission of written comments. The public comment period is from Tuesday, June 25, 2019 to Friday, July 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. (MST). The PED will review all feedback received during the public comment period and issue communication regarding the final decision at a later date.

Copies of the proposed new rule may be accessed through the page titled "Rule Notification" on the PED's website at <http://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/policy-innovation-measurement/rule-notification/>, or may be obtained from the Policy Division at (505) 827-7889 during regular business hours.

Individuals with disabilities who require the above information in an alternative format, or who need any form of auxiliary aid to attend or participate in the public hearing are asked to contact the Policy Division at (505) 827-7889 as soon as possible before the date of the public hearing. The PED requires at least ten (10) calendar days' advance notice to provide any special accommodations requested.