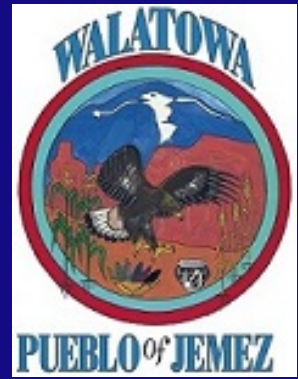


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IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO SAVE OUR LANGUAGE



TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2022-19 AUTHORIZING PILOT FOR A NEW K-6 JEMEZ IMMERSION SCHOOL STARTING WITH THE 2021/22 SCHOOL YEAR

At a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Jemez on the 30th day of June 2022, following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez is a federally recognized sovereign tribal government with a Governor and Tribal Council empowered to exercise all government powers, fiscal authority and tribal sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez is a federally recognized sovereign tribal government with a Governor and Tribal Council empowered to initiate and carry out programs for the benefit of the Jemez tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez is committed to the provision of quality education and support services to the community and has directed the Pueblo of Jemez Department of Education to implement and accomplish the Pueblo's educational goals; and

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez Tribal Council has made language maintenance programs and activities a priority for community wide educational programming; and

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez Tribal Council recognizes the need to establish programs that focus on developing strategies for maintaining the language at current levels, increasing the fluency level of marginal speakers, and developing curriculum resources that are appropriate and consistent with protecting the culture, tradition and language of the Pueblo of Jemez; and

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Jemez Tribal Council recognizes that the work of the Jemez Department of Education and the Walatowa Head Start Language Immersion Program has resulted in the development of a Jemez Language & Culture Curriculum together with an Oral Language Assessment, supported by the Tribal Council sanctioned Jemez Language Team, and the establishment of short and long term Language Immersion goals & strategies.

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WHEREAS, the Jemez Tribal Council has passed the following resolutions in support of Language and Culture based instruction, strategies and priorities:
2008: Arizona State University research partnership: Becoming Jemez
2012-16: Walatowa Head Start conversion to a Jemez Language Immersion Program
2014-19: Authorizing development of strategic plan to implement a community wide Jemez Language Immersion Program
2018-19: Endorsing the Platform developed by the Plaintiff's and Coalition implementing YAZZIE ET AL V. STATE OF NEW MEXICO

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Pueblo of Jemez Tribal Council authorizes the Jemez Department of Education to start a new Pilot K-6 Jemez Language Immersion school, and work to develop Jemez centered curriculum, assessments and evaluations, plus conduct all school events, meetings and related activities in the Jemez Language as applicable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the pilot will begin with up to 10 students in the first year and adding 10 additional students in subsequent years (20 to year two; 30 in year three) to plan and accommodate for growth of the school, curriculum, assessments, programming, facilities and staffing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Jemez Department of Education, Jemez Immersion Program and Immersion Schools will be supported in seeking additional funds and resources to further locally based and defined research (i.e. PhotoVoice) which prioritizes integration of our Jemez language and culture into our unique community based education system; providing support and professional development to our educators to ensure a viable, community driven language program which is appropriate and consistent in protecting the culture, tradition and language of the Pueblo of Jemez.

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The Governors of the Pueblo of Jemez do hereby certify that the Jemez Tribal Council at a duly called meeting, convened on the 30th day of June 2022 approved resolution #2022-19 of our new Pilot K-6 Jemez Language Immersion School to be located within the Jemez Community.

In our efforts to save our oral language, having a Towa Language Immersion Program will help sustain our identity as Hemish people. As a community, we need to come together to strengthen our Towa Language through lessons, storytelling, active listening and mentoring of our young Jemez minds. They are the leaders to carry forward our Hemish community.

A living, thriving language will sustain our traditions, culture and ceremonial way of life.

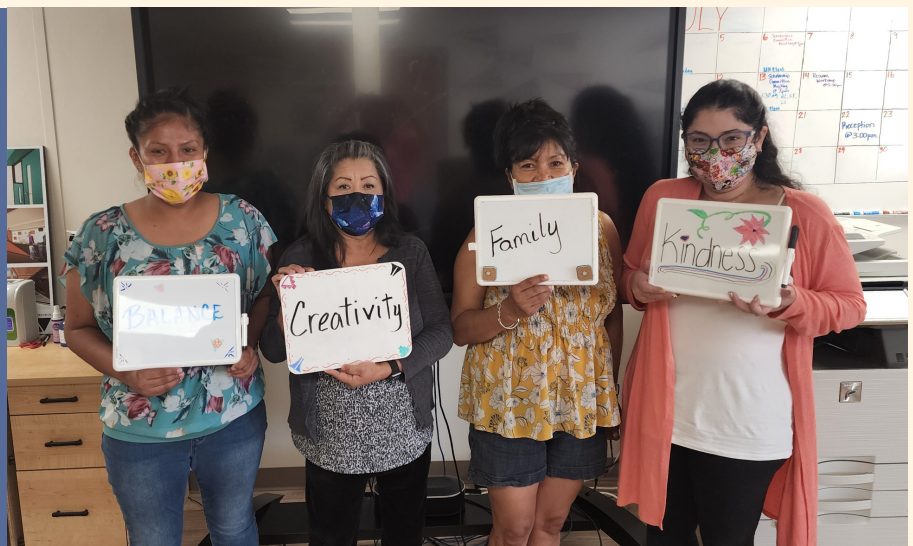
SCHOOL YEAR 2022- 2023

Core Values are traits or qualities that are worthwhile, they represent an individual's highest priorities and deeply held beliefs.

As we embark on this new school year, we want to emphasize the importance of educating our young minds and have our families, teachers and schools initiate Core Values. Our challenge to all our students is to select a Core Value to guide them into the new school year and help them achieve success as they venture to new challenges. This can also be a challenge to all schools, classrooms to help engage the relationship of a student/teacher, student/parent and all community members with their educational systems. Let us all focus on core values together.

Core Values

Love
Respect
Compassion
Faith
Understanding
Spirituality
Balance
Peace
Empathy
Tradition
Accountability



Education staff with their own words selected for the upcoming school year.

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For families and schools, as your child enters a new grade this year, please keep in mind the importance of communication with the teacher. We recommend practicing relational trust to begin the school year.

What is Relational Trust?

Respect
Competence
Integrity
Personal Regard

Relational trust is built through day to day social exchanges within a school community. It supports a moral imperative to take on the difficult work of school improvement. It builds the elements of Respect, Competence, Integrity and Personal Regard for the school and the community.

New School Year, New Engagements

Monthly visits from our staff will begin at the start of the school year. The partnerships with schools will help provide educational and personal growth for each of our students. Our goal is to build confidence & teach skill sets to our students to become independent in their educational endeavors and to reach out to POJ Department of Education for assistance in their college or career pursuits. Whether it be FAFSA, Scholarship application, work opportunities or resume building. We exist to support learning.



Walatowa Child Care



Our Walatowa Child Care is operating our facility at full capacity with additional hours extended to 5:00 pm to help assist our families. Our child care operates under the full language immersion program to help instill the Jemez Towa Language within our young minds.

Traditional calendar for "summer" learning activities consist of planting season, name days and our annual feast day celebration. As the children are being taught through speaking, singing and dancing, their motor skills are progressing. The importance of building their motor skills helps structure their physical growth as each child is unique in their own way.

For more information on Child Care Services, Please contact Cheryl Chinana, Interim Child Care Manager, at (575) 834-7678



Walatowa Head Start Language Immersion Program

ADOBE ROOM ~ CORN MAIDEN ROOM ~ HEMISH ROOM ~ KIVA ROOM

**SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023
STARTS AUGUST 29TH!**

**All kids reach their own milestones,
attending Pre-School is one of many.
We like to encourage, parent(s),
guardian(s) and other family members
to help make your child's transition
positive.**



**Here are a few ideas to help support
positive encouragement:**

- **Showing them or talking to them about school is important.**
- **Making or creating a game to help the child understand concepts.**
- **Paying attention to nonverbal messages from your child such as clinging, aggressiveness or acting out.**
- **Showing daily morning interaction with your child helps develop a positive start to their school day.**



Hemish Language Immersion Pilot School

***Now Enrolling for School Year
2022- 2023***



Mission: Guiding students to respect, maintain, and strengthen Jemez Values, while reinforcing language, tradition, culture and developing strong leaders prepared to excel in their career of choice.

Vision: To increase the population of fluent Jemez speakers while nurturing students to positively contribute to our Jemez way of life, making Jemez the first language of our children.

Goals:

- 1. Build confident individuals with strong self-identity and sense of belonging to our Jemez community.*
- 2. Instill within our students the ability to persevere through all challenges.*
- 3. Prepare students for lifelong learning and leadership roles within and outside our Jemez community.*
- 4. Support and encourage physical, emotional and spiritual wellness for our school community to include our families.*



Core Values:

To instill a strong sense of self-identity and belonging to our Jemez community.

To develop a culture that demonstrates respect for self, family, school, and community at large.

To grow a generation of leaders that are empowered with cultural and linguistic knowledge to carry forward in future generations.

JEMEZ PUEBLO COMMUNITY LIBRARY & ARCHIVES

Our library is always operating with fun events for our Hemish children. Come enjoy a story about our traditions, learn how to create traditional art or get active with a walk to the river. Don't forget to keep your brain cells active by checking out one of the many books.

Jemez Pueblo Community Library & Archives

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Storytime	2 River Adventures	3 Hemish Traditional Learning	4 STEAM Activities	5 Fun Day	6
7	8 Storytime	9 River Adventures	10 Hemish Traditional Learning	11 STEAM Activities	12 Fun Day	13
14	15 Storytime	16 River Adventures	17 Hemish Traditional Learning	18 STEAM Activities	19 Fun Day	20
21	22 Storytime	23 River Adventures	24 Hemish Traditional Learning	25 STEAM Activities	26 Fun Day	27
28	29 Storytime	30 River Adventures	31 Hemish Traditional Learning			

All activities will be held from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. for ALL AGES. Activities are subject to change.
Note: Some River Adventures will require walks to the river; permission slips for 17 & younger are required.
For more information, please call the library at (575) 834-9171. Thank you.



AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM



A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) if a member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- *Has an income that is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines;*
- *Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;*
- *Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;*
- *Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020, 2020-2021, or 2021-2022 school year;*
- *Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or*
- *Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income program.*

For More Information:

Go to AffordableConnectivity.gov to submit an application or print out a mail-in application.

We are here to help

Apply Now! For assistance please reach out to Lenora Loretto, Support Specialist @ (575) 834-9102 or by email Lenora.loretto@jemezpuablo.org

Career and Technical Education (CTE)- Partnership



Preparations and planning are in process for Fall 2022. The partnership with Northern New Mexico College, Jemez Valley High School, Walatowa High Charter School and Department of Education to began CTE programs for students who are 16 years of age.

Virtual Information Sessions

- **Thursday, July 28th at 6:00 pm**
- **Friday, July 29th at 12:00 pm**

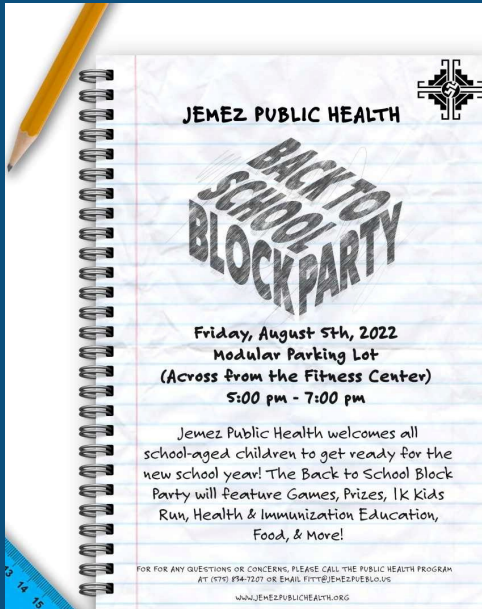


Stay tuned for more information on how to log in.

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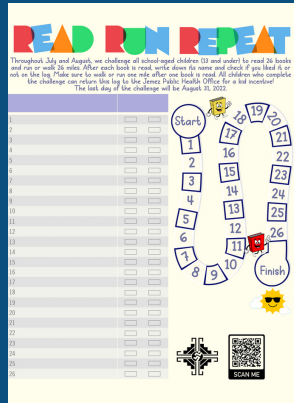
JEMEZ PUBLIC HEALTH

BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY

Friday, August 5th, 2022
Modular Parking Lot
(Across from the Fitness Center)
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Jemez Public Health welcomes all school-aged children to get ready for the new school year! The Back to School Block Party will feature Games, Prizes, 1K Kids Run, Health & Immunization Education, Food, & More!

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE CALL THE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM AT (505) 834-7207 OR EMAIL FITTY@JEMEZPUBLIC.ORG
WWW.JEMEZPUBLICHEALTH.ORG



READ RUN REPEAT

Throughout July and August, we challenge all school-aged children (5 and under) to read 26 books and run or walk 26 miles. After each book is read, write down the name and check if you liked it or not on the log. Make sure to walk or run one mile after one book is read. All children who complete the challenge will receive the log by the Jemez Public Health Office for a big reward!

The last day of the challenge will be August 31, 2022!

Start 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Finish

SCORE



School Physical Days
AT
THE JEMEZ HEALTH CLINIC

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES!!

Multiple Dates Available:
Aug. 4th & 11th
10:30am - 4pm
and Aug. 20th
8am - 12pm

FOR AGES 5 - 18 YRS
CALL 575-834-7413

Dental, Optometry, Behavioral Health, And Nutrition will be available

SCHOOL START DATES FOR 2022-2023!

- 8/3/22 Jemez Valley Public Schools
- 8/5/22 Rio Rancho Middle Schools
- 8/5/22 Cleveland High School
- 8/5/22 Rio Rancho High School
- 8/8/22 Jemez Day School
- 8/8/22 Native American Community Academy
- 8/8/22 Walatowa High Charter School
- 8/9/22 Rio Rancho Elementary Schools
- 8/10/22 Albuquerque Public Schools
- 8/12/22 San Diego Riverside Charter School
- 8/15/22 Santa Fe Indian School
- 8/16/22 Bernalillo High School
- 8/17/22 Hemish Language Immersion School
- 8/29/22 Walatowa Head Start Language Immersion



Jemez Valley Public School Registration is Open!!

Registration for all students (returning, new, transfer) is now open as of July 19th, at 1:00 p.m. via Skyward Family Access.

• Skyward Family Access

<https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WServe?ice=wsejdujemezvalleynm/fwemnu01.w>

Please note the following:

- Registration must be completed before your student can attend school.
- To ensure your student is accounted for, please complete their registration by Monday, July 25th.
- If you need to confirm your login and/or reset your password for Skyward Family Access please contact Sissy Griego at ext. 312, Jessica Gallegos at ext. 376 or Joline Cruz-Madalena at ext. 331.
- If you need assistance via telephone, please contact Mrs. Griego, Mrs. Gallegos or Mrs. Madalena.
- If you need assistance in-person, staff will be available from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the high school today, July 19th, and Monday, July 25th.



Pueblo of Jemez Class of 2022

Post-Secondary Education Graduates

Doctoral Degree

Kristyn Yepa: Doctor of Nursing University of New Mexico

Master Degrees

Marlene Armijo: Masters of Studies in Law, University of New Mexico

Lindsey Toya- Tosa: Masters in Fine Arts in Creative Writing, Institute of American Indian Arts

Keenan H. Toya: Masters in Health Admin, University of Washington

Bachelor Degrees

**Brandon Armijo: BA- Fine Arts with Emphasis, Institute of American Indian Arts
in Painting & Printing**

Brittney Baca: BS- Healthcare Administration, PIMA Medical Institute

Katherine Chinana: Bachelor of Business Admin, University of New Mexico

K. Mikayla Gachupin: BA- Environmental Studies, Fort Lewis College

Jordan Lesensee: BS- Environmental Health, Colorado State University

Cassandra Toledo: Bachelor of Business Admin, University of New Mexico

Ivan Toya: BA- Psychology, New Mexico Highlands University

Tenise Toya: BS- Healthcare Administration, PIMA Medical Institute

Raenell Wilson: BS- Business Admin. in Management Options, Roger State University

2022 Seniors

Albuquerque High School

Jada Padilla

Artisco High School

Serenity Lucero

Bernalillo High School

De' Andre Colaquer

Jadrien Sandia

Kaylie Yepa

Capital High School

Andon Toya

Cleveland High School

Andre Baeza

Caleb Tomas Casiquito

Eli DeVore

Tavia Fragua

Kyla Magdalena

Isaac Romero

Clay Toya

Cody Toya

Elise Toya

Del Norte High School

Annaliese Yepa

Hopi High School, AZ

Nevin Panana

Independence High School

Jerika Alyna Chavez

Quentin Tyrell Tsosie

Jemez Valley High School

Chloe Fragua

Evander Galvan

Anderea Pecos-Gachupin

Dawnae Toya

La Serna High School, CA

Toya Soto

Manzano High School

Reyes Gallegos

Native American Community Academy

Elijah Tafoya

Rio Rancho High School

Russell Reano

Sandia High School

Karlene Trujillo

Santa Fe Indian School

Russell Coriz

Marcus Esquibel

Marlo Gachupin

Leighton Galvan

Amari Loretto

Joseph Loretto

Antuane Lucero

Kaleigh Magdalena

Katelyn Romero

Taylia Tafoya

Luke Tsosie

Jennifer Villa

Elijah Waquie

Sherman Indian School, CA

Jeremy Paul Vigil

Walatowa High Charter School

Jonte Cajero

Tyler Saige Loretto

Ian Lucero

Adrian Madalena

Matthew Romero

Javon Tosa

Krystina Waquie

West Mesa High School

Elijah C. Juanico

Class of 2022



Jemez Valley Middle School- 8th Grade

Victoria Gallegos
Leila Jordan
Annalissa Madalena
Jevon Sando
Kamie Sando
Derek Sando
Jaleen Tafoya
Leajzia Tafoya
Kristen Toya
Tredell Vigil

San Diego Riverside Charter School- 8th Grade

Delany Chama
Taft Collateta
Raymond Largo III
Angelina Ortiz
KC Sandia
Maeklynn Sandia
Angelina Secatero

Bernalillo Middle School 8th Grade

Kyona Coriz
Miekaylah Coriz
Destiny Hernandez
Kevan Sandia- Sanchez

Pioneer Middle School- 8th Grade

Kristina Vigil

Santa Fe Indian School-8th Grade

Ayden Casiquito
Jesse Chinana
Thomas Chinana
Amber Fragua
Raekwon Lucero
Amarian Madalena
Brian Madalena
Brooke Madalena
Darius Madalena
Antonia Pecos
Kimora Toya
Wanda Yepa



Jemez Day School 6th Grade

Kraylon Armstrong
Aiyana Chinana
Gabriella Chinana
Raynen Chinana
Phillip Fragua
Braylon Gachupin
D'onte Gachupin
Michael Gachupin
Isabella Galvan
Destini Loretto
Kymond Mora
Kailani Sanchez
Wilbert Sanchez
Kaelee Shendo
Lenay Toledo
Adelicia Toya
Analynn Toya
Keean Toya
Landin Vigil
Dory Sandia

Jemez Day School Kindergarten

Bradley Casiquito
Adriel Chinana
Delicia Gachupin
Karissa Gachupin
Maya Gachupin
Micca Madalena
Aiden Romero
Karina Romero
Riley Romero
McKenna Saiz
Lileia Shendo
Leticia Tafoya
Addison Tosa
Eliana Tosa
Keenan Tosa
Elijah Tosa
Noah Toya
Kellen Vigil

Walatowa Head Start Language Immersion Program

Sedina Andrew
Darren Casiquito
Kaleena Chinana
Maddison Lucero
Corina Fragua
Fredrick Fragua
Nazareth Fragua
Teylie Gachupin
Lenaiya Henderson

Ian Kemppainen
Le'Veon Lucero
Peyton Seonia
Nicholas Smith-Nightwalker
Grace Toledo
Amirah Tosa
Jamesyon Toya
Xavier Tsosie

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF

- Administration

- Kevin Shendo, Education Director
- Dr. Stephanie Mack, Assistant Education Director
- Imogene Shendo, Admin Assistant/ Bus Driver

- Early Childhood Program

- Lana Garcia, Manager
- Cheryl Chinana, Intermin Child Care Supervisor/ Family Services Coordinator

- Walatowa Head Start Staff

- Marie Armijo, Education & Disabilities Coordinator
- Amanda Tsosie, Health Services Coordinator
- Shawn Romero, Facility and Transportation Coordinator
- Andrea Chinana, Teacher
- Shirley Chinana, Teacher
- Shalana Gachupin, Teacher
- Jacqueline Magdalena, Teacher
- Gloria Tsosie, Teacher
- Pauline Armijo, Teacher
- Bertha Gachupin, Teacher
- Joshlin Sandia, Teacher
- Lawrence Toya, Language & Cultural Support Staff

- Child Care Staff

- Dorina Chinana, Child Care Provider
- Janice Gachupin, Child Care Provider
- Amanda Madalena, Child Care Provider
- Michelle Mora, Child Care Provider
- Jacquelyn Shendo, Child Care Provider
- Sefora Tosa, Child Care Provider
- William Tosa, Child Care Provider
- Tyana Waquie, Child Care Provider

- Hemish Language Immersion Pilot School

- Melissa Yepa, Lead Teacher
- Alfreda Fragua, Education Assistant

- Education Services Center

- Aaron Cajero, Manager
- Stacey Fisk, Student Programs Coordinator
- Lenora Loretto, Support Specialist

- Jemez Language Program

- Eleanor Tafoya, Interim Manager
- Helena Tafoya, Creative Team Member

- Jemez Community Library

- Maureen Wacondo, Intermin Librarian
- Roxanne Vigil, Library Assistant
- Derek Yepa, Library Assistant

- School Operations

- Janet Waquie, Nutrition Coordinator
- Regina Gachupin, Assistant Cook
- Nicholas Loretto, Assistant Cook
- Shirlene Sandia, Assistant Cook
- Santano Toya- Assistant Cook

July 2022

Dear Jemez Students, Parents, and Families:

We would like to notify all families with school age students that the Jemez Department of Education is offering support services to any student that may require additional assistance. We provide individualized support with academics, educational choices, or career pathways. Not only are we currently offering college & career advisement, we are able to advocate or assist with educational challenges you or your family may be experiencing within area public, charter, or BIE schools; Pre K to 12th.

Our staff is ready to assist you and support your educational questions or concerns. If you would like us to communicate with the school and provide additional support, you may return a Release of Information (ROI) form to our office.

**Please call or email our office today for support with your student(s). We are looking forward to hearing from you. Department of Education Office:
575-834-9102**

**Mr. Kevin Shendo, Director of Education
shendo@jemezpuablo.org**

**Dr. Stephanie Mack, Assistant Director of Education
stephanie.mack@jemezpuablo.org**



**MODULAR 139-G ON BEAR CANYON ROAD ACROSS FROM THE WALATOWA
FITNESS CENTER
WE ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU! CALL US TODAY.**