



2026

TEACHING CHILDREN EXCELLENCE

ndi
NEW MEXICO

OUR MISSION

NDI New Mexico is founded with the knowledge that the arts have a unique power to engage and motivate children. The purpose of our distinctive programs is to help children develop discipline, a standard of excellence, and a belief in themselves that will carry over into all aspects of their lives.

EMPOWERING NEW MEXICO'S YOUTH

A Pathway to Confidence, Resilience & Success

I CAN

Strengthen
Ability

We provide opportunities for youth to experience age-appropriate challenges that bring joy, rigor, excellence, and creativity to their lives.

I AM

Strengthen
Identity

We provide a positive environment that is youth-centered, safe, structured, inclusive, and engaging; inspiring students to discover, reveal, and strengthen who they are.

WE CONNECT

Strengthen Community
Connections

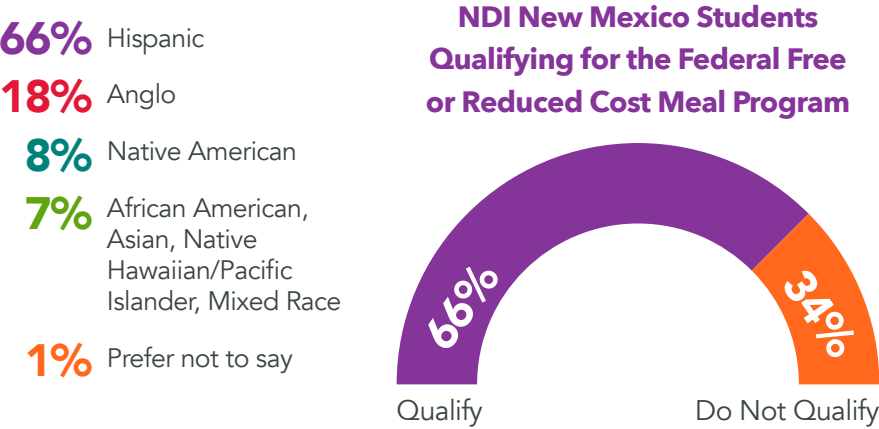
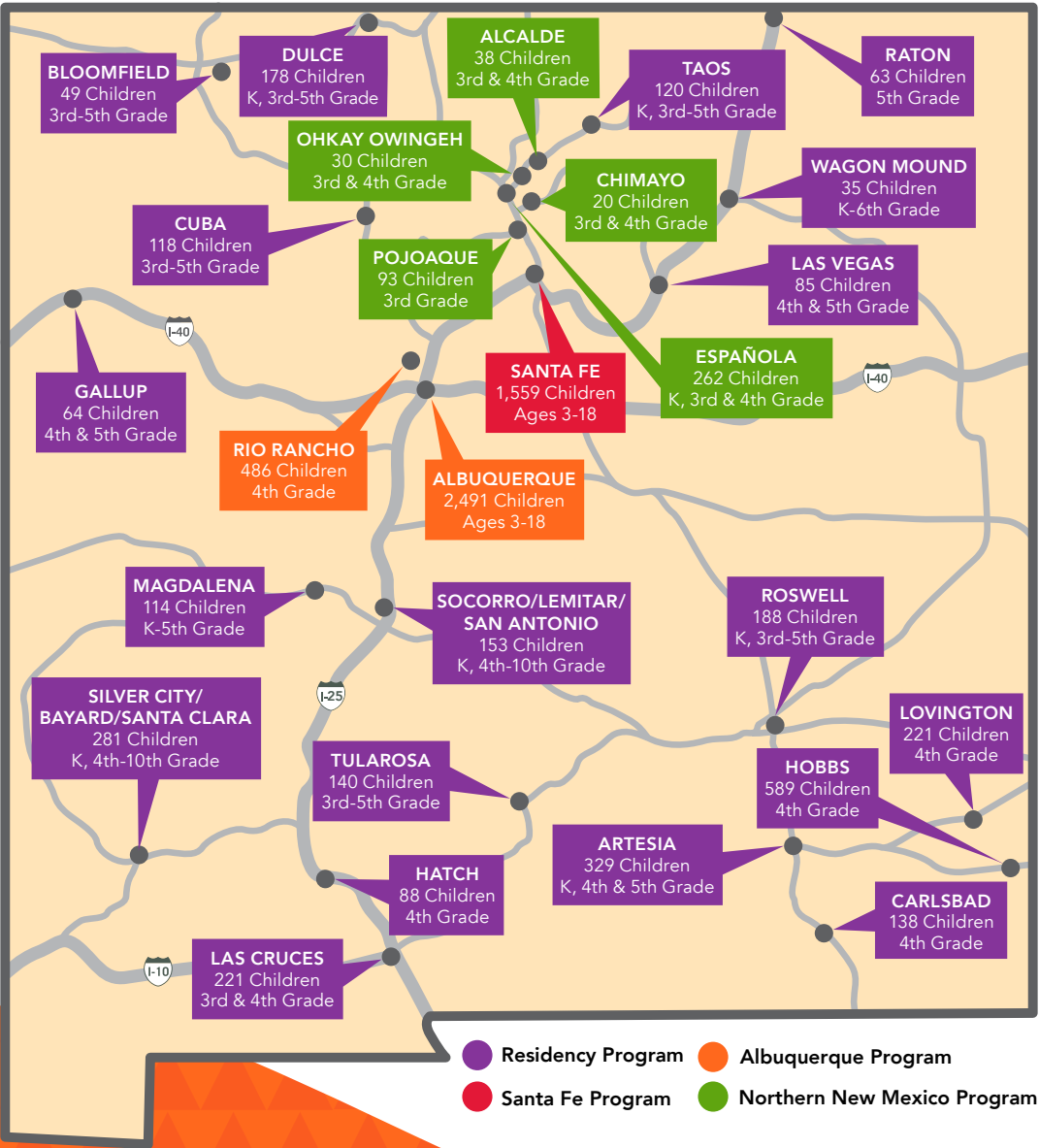
We provide connections—opportunities to belong, work together, and build supportive relationships with peers, adults, and schools; to experience a community that supports and empowers youth.



WHO WE SERVE

This year we will serve more than 8,000 children, partnering with more than 300 public school teachers across 100 schools, in 29 communities around the state. In addition, we will deliver over 250,000 hours of instruction time.

NDI New Mexico programs provide access and opportunity for children across the state; we are committed to equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility.



OUR PARTNER SCHOOLS

ALBUQUERQUE

- 21st Century Public Academy
- A. Montoya Elementary
- Adobe Acres Elementary
- Alameda Elementary
- Alamosa Elementary
- Bandelier Elementary
- Bel Air Elementary
- Cochiti Elementary
- Comanche Elementary
- Coral Community Charter
- E.G. Ross Elementary
- East San Jose Elementary
- Edward Gonzales Elementary
- Eugene Field Elementary
- Inez Science and Technology Magnet
- Janet Kahn School of Integrated Arts Magnet
- Lew Wallace Elementary
- Longfellow Dual Language Magnet
- Los Ranchos Elementary
- Marie Hughes Elementary
- Monte Vista Elementary
- Montezuma Elementary
- Mountain View Elementary
- Navajo Elementary
- North Valley Academy Charter
- Osuna Elementary
- Reginald Chavez Elementary
- Rio Grande Academy of Fine Arts
- Sandia Base Elementary
- Wherry Elementary
- Whittier Elementary

RIO RANCHO

- Colinas del Norte Elementary
- Enchanted Hills Elementary
- Maggie Cordova Elementary
- Puesta del Sol Elementary
- Sandia Vista Elementary
- Residency Program

NORTHERN NM

- Alcalde Elementary
- Chimayo Elementary
- E.T. Salazar Elementary
- Hernandez Elementary
- James H. Rodriguez Elementary
- McCurdy School
- Ohkay Owingeh Community
- Pablo Roybal Elementary
- San Juan Elementary
- Tony E. Quintana Elementary

SANTA FE

- Acequia Madre Elementary
- Aspen Community
- Atalaya Elementary
- Carlos Gilbert Elementary
- Cielo Azul
- Cochiti Elementary
- El Camino Real Academy
- Gonzales Community
- Kearny Elementary
- Pecos Elementary
- Salazar Elementary
- Sweeney Elementary
- Tesuque Elementary
- Turquoise Trail Charter

RESIDENCY

ARTESIA

- Central Elementary
- Grand Heights Early Childhood
- Hermosa Elementary
- Roselawn Elementary
- Yeso Elementary
- Yucca Elementary

BLOOMFIELD

- Dzilh-Na-O-Dith-Hle Community School

CARLSBAD

- Cottonwood Elementary

CUBA

- Cuba Elementary

DULCE

- Dulce Elementary

GALLUP

- Red Rock Elementary

HATCH

- Rio Grande Elementary

HOBBS

- Booker T. Washington Elementary
- Broadmoor Elementary
- College Lane Elementary
- Coronado Elementary
- Edison Elementary
- Jefferson Elementary
- Sanger Elementary
- Southern Heights Elementary
- Stone Elementary
- Taylor Elementary
- Will Rogers Elementary

LAS CRUCES

- Hermosa Heights Elementary
- Sonoma Elementary

LAS VEGAS

- Mike Mateo Sena Elementary
- Sierra Vista Elementary

LOVINGTON

- Yarbro Elementary

RATON

- Raton Intermediate School

ROSWELL

- Nancy Lopez Elementary
- Pecos Elementary

SILVER CITY

- Central Elementary
- G.W. Stout Elementary
- Harrison Schmitt Elementary
- Jose Barrios Elementary

SOCORRO

- Cottonwood Valley Charter
- Midway Elementary
- Parkview Elementary
- San Antonio Elementary

TAOS

- Enos Garcia Elementary

TULAROSA

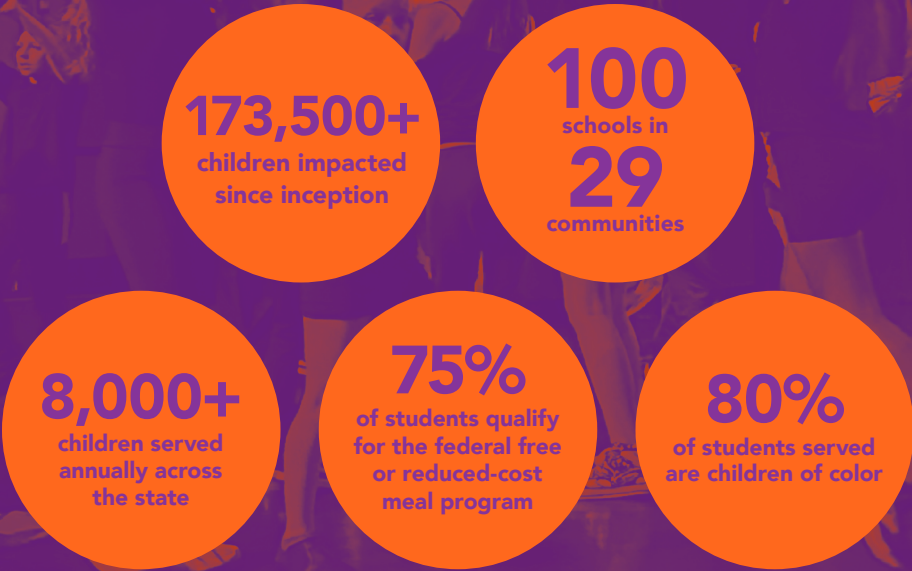
- Tularosa Elementary

WAGON MOUND

- Wagon Mound Elementary

IMPACT & RESULTS

For more than three decades, NDI New Mexico has been a transformative force in the lives of thousands of children across the state.



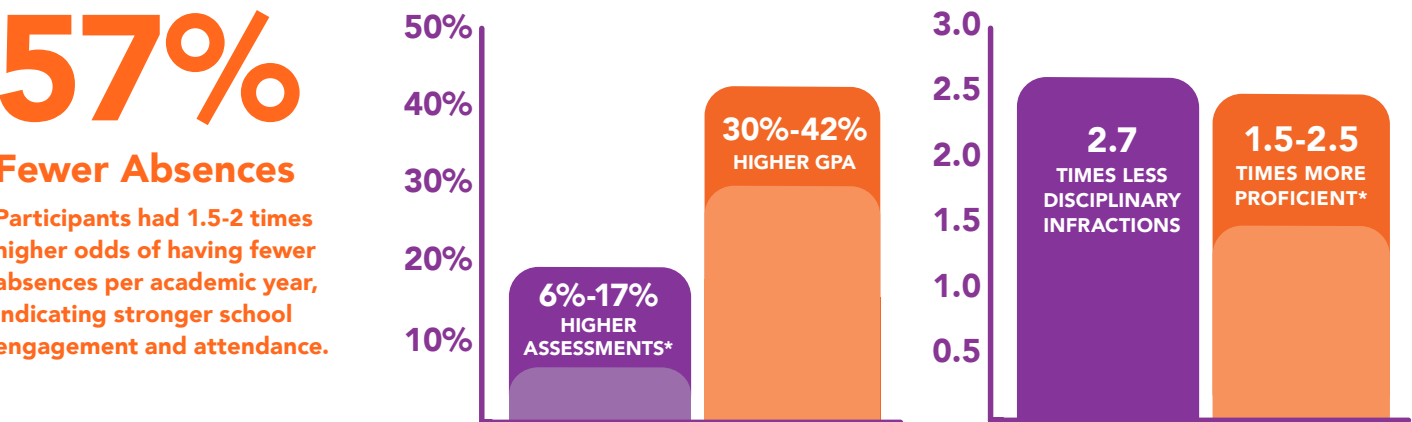
“If you see a class or a performance, you’ll understand. NDI is transforming lives — and that’s worth your investment.”

John Berndt
NDI New Mexico Board Member

ACADEMIC & BEHAVIORAL OUTCOMES

A study by The University of New Mexico’s Center for Education Policy Research analyzed data from over 41,000 students in grades three through nine.

NDI New Mexico students demonstrated marked improvements in self-discipline, physical fitness, focus, planning, and prioritization skills, key indicators of long-term success.



*NDI students outperformed in math, reading, writing, and science.

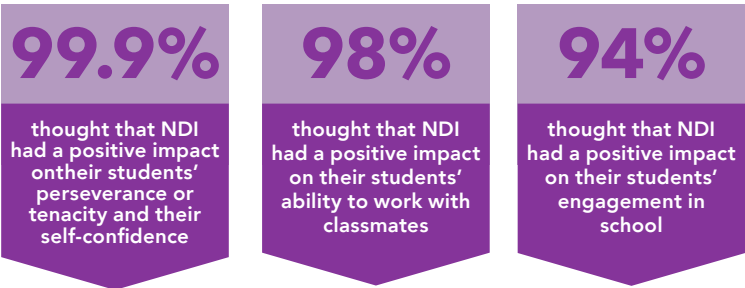
BEYOND THE NUMBERS

A Culture of Confidence & Excellence

Student Survey Results



Teacher Survey Results



A MODEL FOR LASTING IMPACT

The longer a child participates in our programs, the more profound the impact. NDI New Mexico’s Impact Model for Children and Families underscores the organization’s long-term commitment to fostering positive outcomes.



PROGRAM PATHWAYS

From the joyful first steps in our Young Children’s Division to the advanced training of Company XCel, we offer a no-cost or sliding-scale pathway from early childhood through high school—grounded in high expectations and encouragement.

Our programs and Impact Model center on three pillars: opportunity, a positive environment, and meaningful connections, ensuring lasting change for students, families, and communities.

“NDI isn’t just arts education;
It’s youth development.
It’s workforce development.
It’s health and wellness.”

Jessica Sanchez
NDI New Mexico Corporate Council

IN-SCHOOL PATHWAY

IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

(3rd–5th Grade)

Elementary school children learn perseverance, focus, and commitment. Our teaching artists integrate dance with youth development techniques, using movement as a tool to enhance concentration, instill a strong work ethic, and inspire achievement. In-School Programs take place in Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and the Española Valley (North Program), as well as dozens of other communities around the state through our Residency Program.



ADVANCED TEAMS

(4th–9th Grade)

Students have opportunities for more rigorous training, skill-building, and performance opportunities through our SWAT Team, Celebration Team, and Summer Institute programs. Students work with guest artists, learn diverse styles of dance, and are often inspired to continue to more advanced technical dance training, with our Company XCel.



PRE-PROFESSIONAL COMPANIES

JUNIOR COMPANY, APPRENTICE COMPANY, AND COMPANY XCEL

For dancers who discover a passion for the performing arts and are interested in pre-professional training, these programs offer advanced training and performance opportunities.



AFTER-SCHOOL PATHWAY

YOUNG CHILDREN’S DIVISION

(Ages 18 mo – 6 yrs)

In Creative Movement and primary levels of dance in the After-School programs at The Hiland Theater and The Dance Barns, children as young as three begin exploring movement, coordination, and self-expression. Classes build physical strength, support social, emotional, and cognitive development, and inspire a love of dance.



AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

(Ages 3–18 yrs)

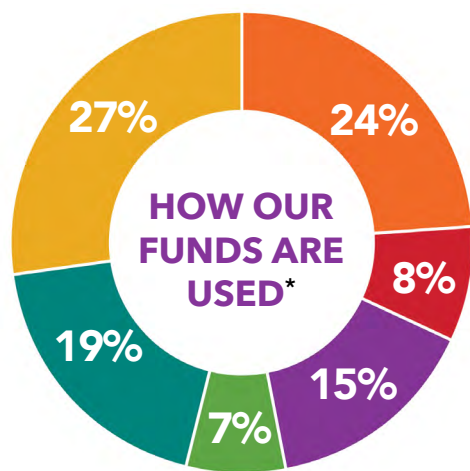
JUNIOR AND SENIOR DIVISION Dancers have opportunities for beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels of many genres of dance including ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop, modern dance, and much more.



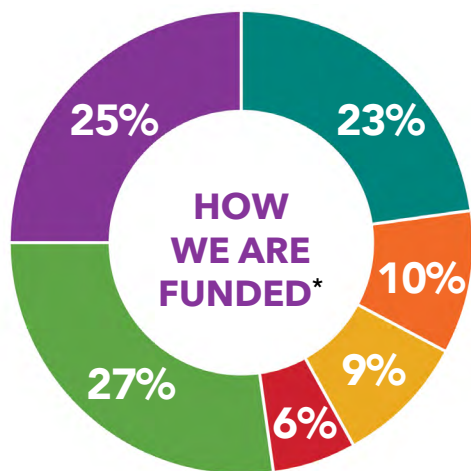
GIVE THE GIFT OF EXCELLENCE

Every donation makes a difference that can last a lifetime for a child.

Your generous investment in NDI New Mexico provides access to excellence for thousands of underserved children and creates opportunities for youth in our state to build better futures. Our work is guided by our belief in children, as well as our commitment to social responsibility, excellence, sustainability, and financial integrity. To ensure program sustainability, we depend on and are grateful to our diverse funders.



- 24% In-School, SWAT, Celebration Team, Summer Institute
- 8% Residency Outreach In-School
- 15% Development and Marketing
- 7% Teaching Excellence
- 19% Administration
- 27% Dance Barns and Hiland After-School Programs



- 23% Individuals and Boards
- 10% Earned Income
- 9% Foundations and Grants
- 6% Corporate
- 27% Government
- 25% Endowment

*Projected FY 2026-27

WAYS TO GIVE

A gift to NDI New Mexico can be made in a number of different ways—as a bequest, as a memorial or tribute to another person, as an online donation, or as a contribution to the NDI New Mexico endowment. All charitable donations help children achieve success and are tax-deductible.

Join a Giving Circle

- Circle of Friends: \$1-\$999
- Founders’ Circle: \$1,000-\$4,999
- Circle of Distinction: \$5,000-\$9,999
- Circle of Excellence: \$10,000-\$99,999
- Pillars of Excellence: \$100,000+

Gifts of Securities

Common stocks and mutual funds

Planned Giving

Bequests, charitable gift annuities and trusts, or IRA rollovers

NDI New Mexico Endowment

Support NDI New Mexico’s financial security and initiatives for today and tomorrow

Honor and Memorial Gifts

Make a tribute gift in honor of a joyous occasion or in memory of a loved one

Foundation and Corporate Partners

Grants and sponsorship opportunities support programs and events

Donor Advised Funds and United Way

Recommend or designate a gift to support NDI New Mexico programs

Matching Gifts

Many employers will match gifts or volunteer hours donated

Monthly Giving

Sustain NDI New Mexico programs with year-round impact

SCAN THE CODE TO DONATE OR VISIT [NDI-NM.ORG/DONATE](https://ndi-nm.org/donate)



**WORK
HARD**

**DO
YOUR
BEST**

**NEVER
GIVE UP**

**BE
HEALTHY**

NDI New Mexico's Core Four are the organization's guiding life principles, designed to help children develop discipline, resilience, and a positive mindset that extends beyond dance into all areas of life.

Work Hard

Encourage consistent effort, dedication, and perseverance in all activities.

Never Give Up

Build resilience, learn from setbacks, and keep trying even when challenges arise.

Do Your Best

Strive for excellence in your own way, recognizing personal effort and improvement.

Be Healthy

Prioritize physical and mental well-being, including nutrition, fitness, and self-care.



HIP TO BE FIT®

BE HEALTHY is one of our Core Four principles for excellence! Integrated into the In-School curriculum, Hip to Be Fit® encourages children to stay active, make healthy choices, and build stamina.

By promoting healthy habits, we empower New Mexico's children and families to embrace lifelong wellness.

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THE DANCE BARN
1140 Alto Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501
505.983.7646

THE HILAND THEATER
800 Central Avenue SE
Albuquerque, NM 87108
505.872.1800

