

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0231-18

**DATE:** July 2, 2018

AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER, MANUELITO CHAPTER, AND TSÉ LICHII' CHAPTER IN THEIR CONCERNS AND EFFORTS TO KEEP MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL IN OPERATION

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this legislation is to support the Rock Springs, Manuelito and Tsé Lichii' Chapters in their efforts to keep Middle College High School in operation.

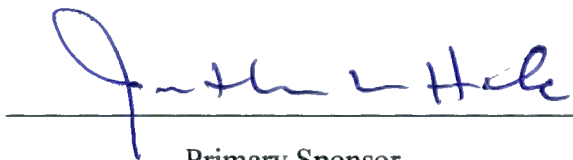
**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate review the proposed resolution in detail.**

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD: None  
Website Posting Time/Date: 4:10pm 7/3/18  
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Eligible for Action: 7/9/2018

Health, Education & Human Services Committee  
Thence  
Naa'bik'iyáti' Committee

PROPOSED STANDING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION  
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL—FOURTH YEAR, 2018

INTRODUCED BY



Primary Sponsor

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EFFORTS TO KEEP MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL IN OPERATION

WHEREAS:

**Section One. Standing Committee Authority and Power**

- A. The Navajo Nation established the Health, Education and Human Services Committee (HEHS) as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee and as such empowered HEHS to review and recommend resolutions regarding social services. 2 N.N.C. §400 (A), 401 (B)(6)(a) (2012).
- B. The Navajo Nation established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee. Naabik'iyáti' Committee has the power "to coordinate all federal county and state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient delivery of services to the Navájo Nation." 2 N.N.C. §§ 700(A), 701 (A)(4) (2012).
- C. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the State of New Mexico.

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2 **Section Two. Findings**

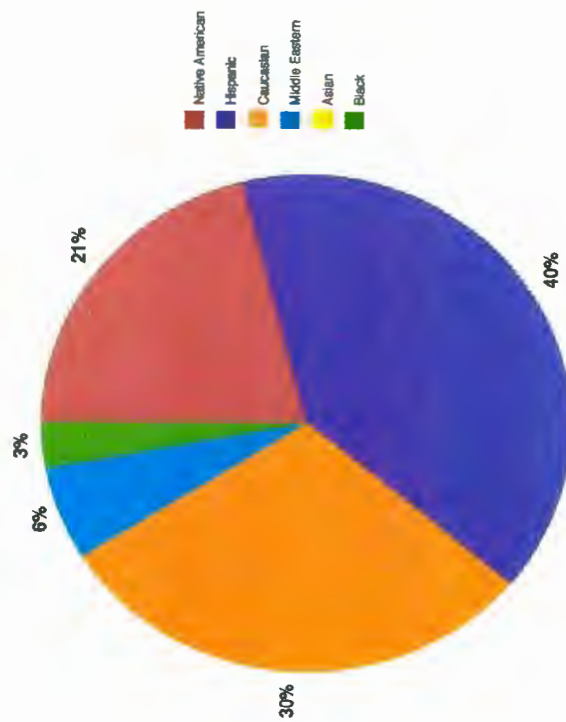
- 3 A. Middle College High School (MCHS) is a charter public high school located in Gallup,  
4 NM. <https://www.mchsgallup.com/about-mchs>. MCHS offers concurrent enrollment with  
5 the University of New Mexico-Gallup. *Ibid.* This allows students to gain college  
6 experience and attain college credit by the time they graduate high school. *Ibid.*  
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8 B. MCHS is ranked the 12<sup>th</sup> best public high school in the state of New Mexico. *Ibid.*  
9 MCHS has nearly doubled its enrollment of Native American students from 21% of their  
10 student body in the school year 2015-2016 to 40% in the school year 2017-2018. Exhibit  
11 A. Native students are now the school's largest demographic. *Ibid.* 92% of their Native  
12 American graduates attend college after graduation. *Ibid.*  
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14 C. Middle College High School operates under the Gallup-McKinley County School  
15 District as a charter school. On October 16, 2017, the Gallup-McKinley County School  
16 Board approved the MCHS renewal application. Exhibit B.  
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18 D. On April 25, 2018 the Gallup-McKinley County School District approved to "issue an  
19 intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School." Exhibit C.  
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21 E. In response, the Rock Springs Chapter, Manuelito Chapter, and Tsé Lichii' Chapter have  
22 issued chapter resolutions supporting the continuation of Middle College High School.  
23 Exhibit D, E, and F.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

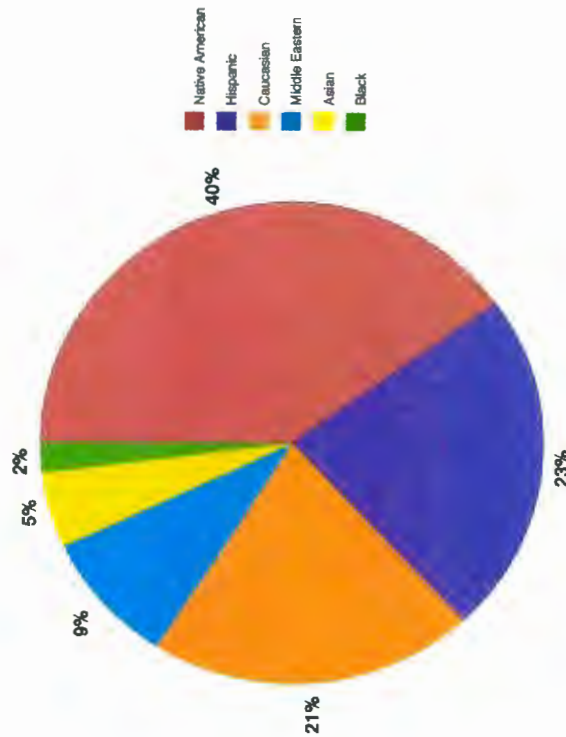
1. The Navajo Nation supports the Rock Springs Chapter, Manuelito Chapter, and Tsé  
Lichii' Chapter in their concerns and efforts to keep Middle College High School in  
operation.  
2. The Navajo Nation hereby authorizes the Navajo Nation President, the Navajo Nation  
Speaker, and their designees, to advocate on their behalf.

# Middle College High School Demographic Changes

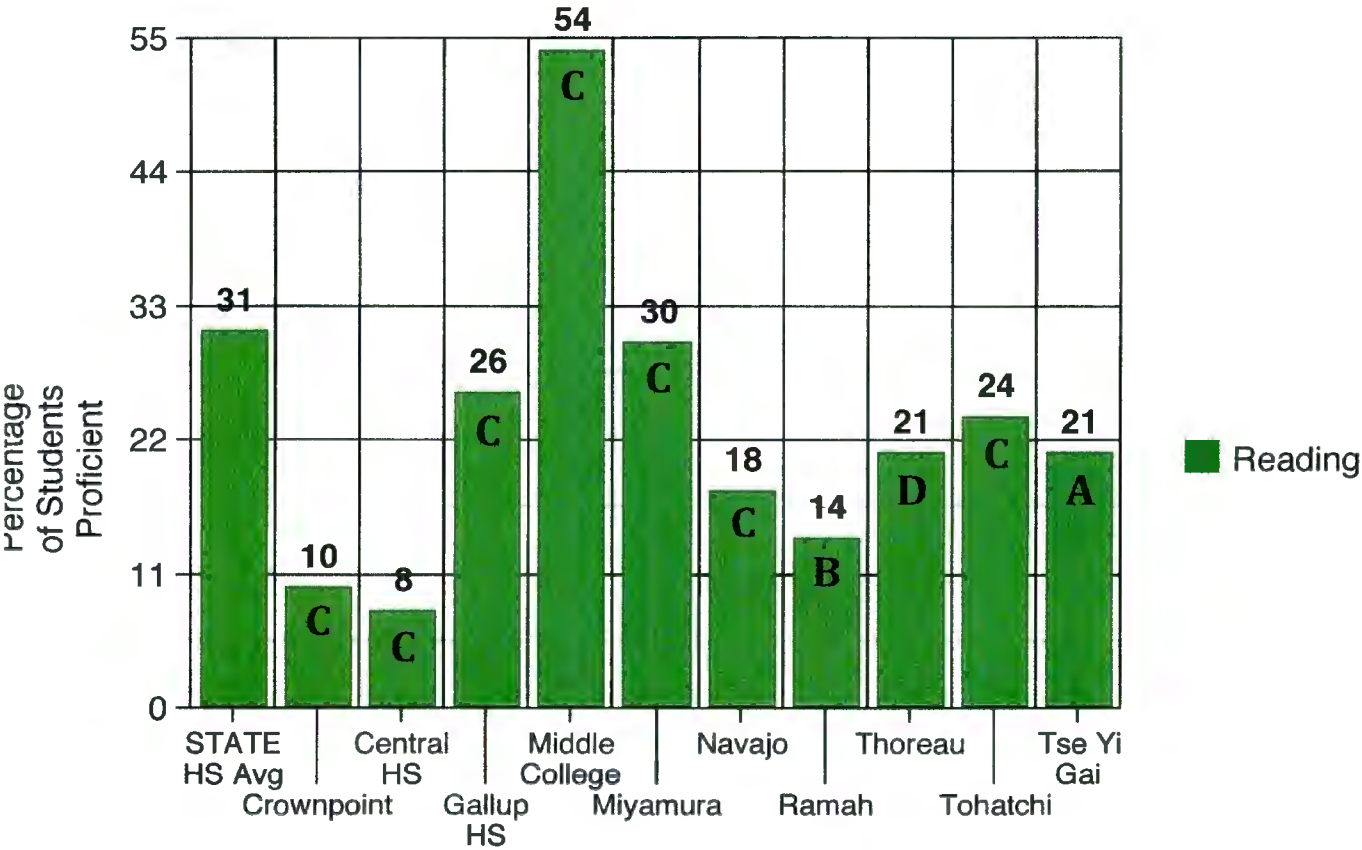
Students by Ethnicity, School Year 2015-16



Current Students by Ethnicity



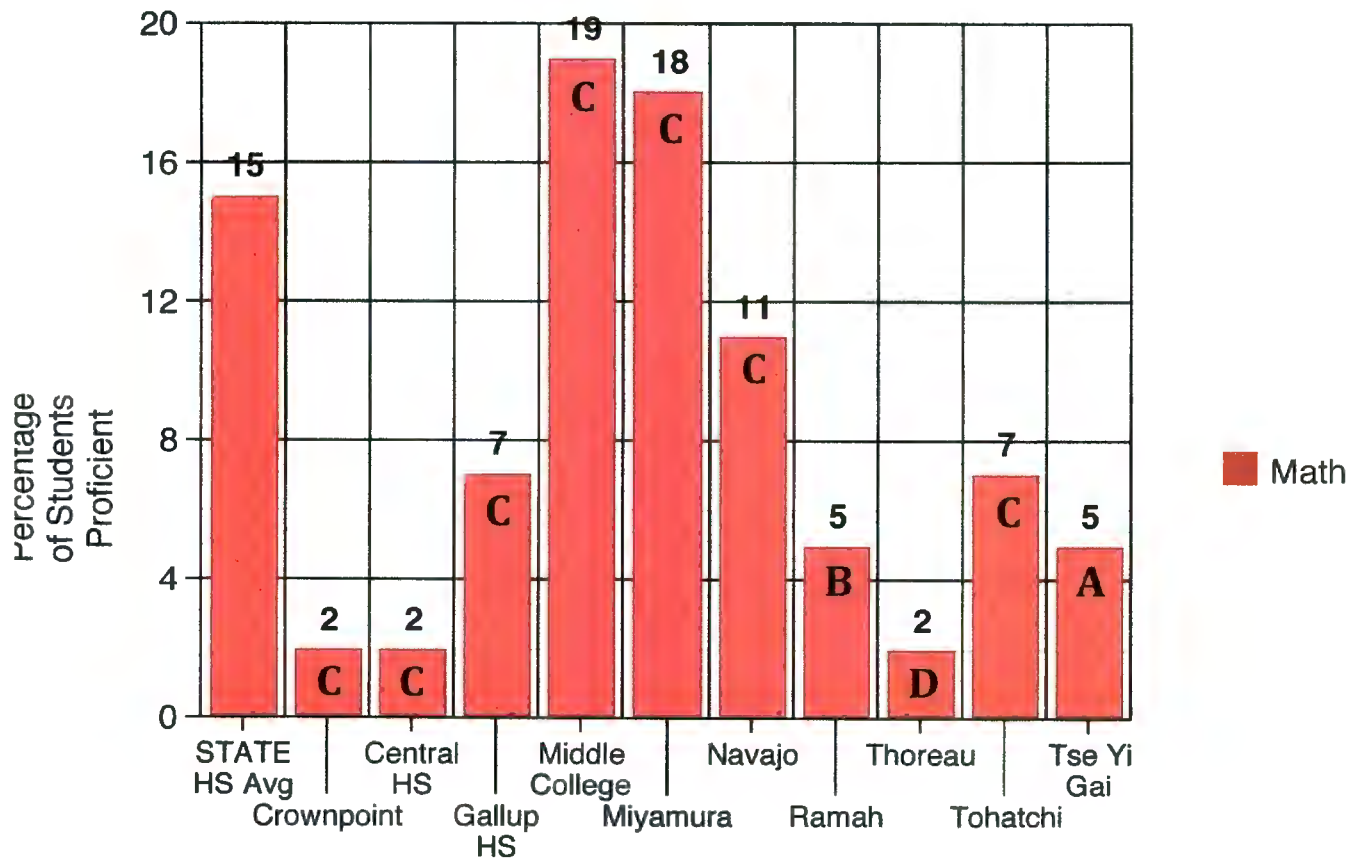
READING PROFICIENCY BY SCHOOL (2017)



HIGH SCHOOL REPORT CARD PROFICIENCY VALUES

Gallup-McKinley County High Schools

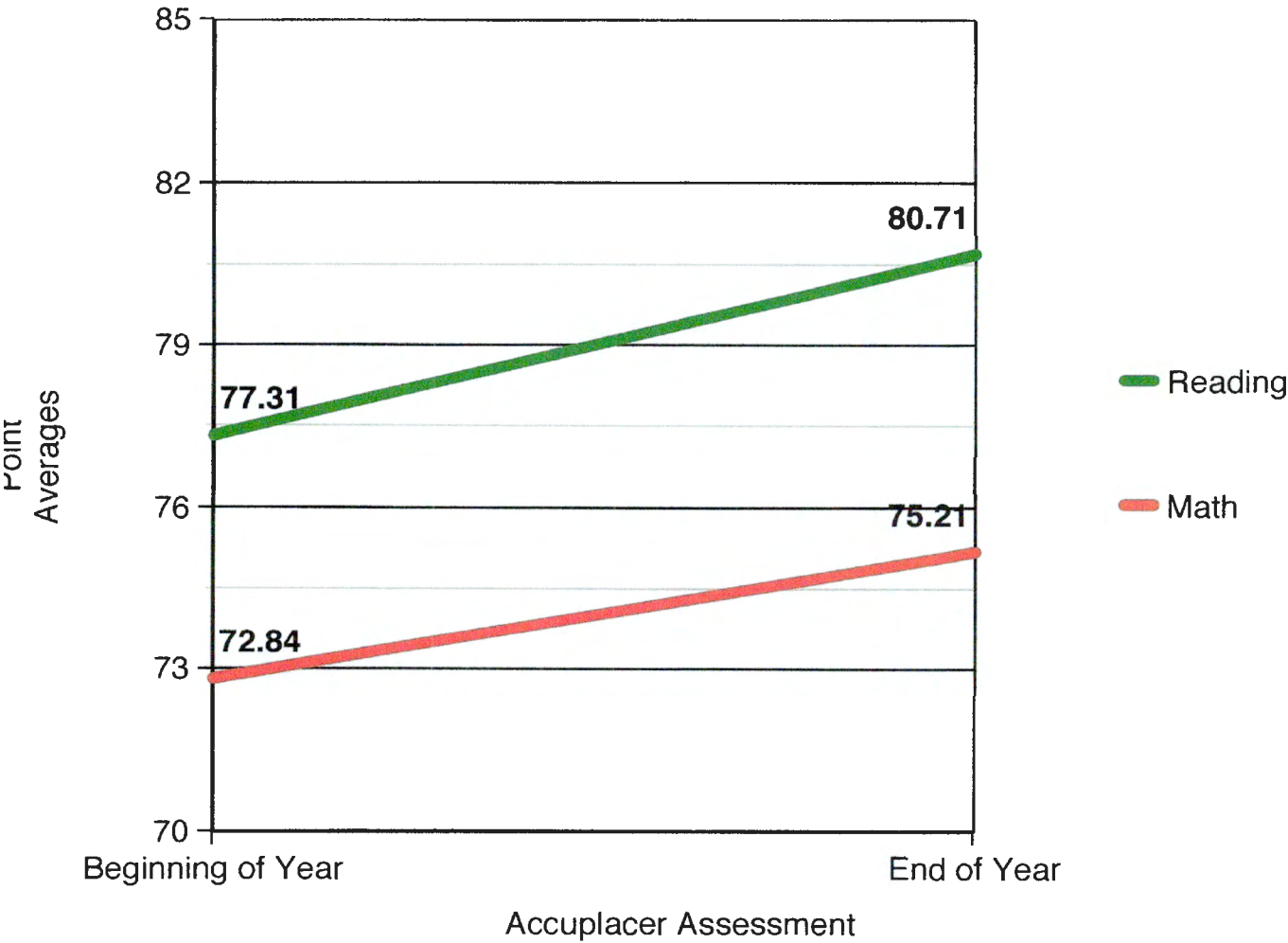
# MATH PROFICIENCY BY SCHOOL (2017)



HIGH SCHOOL REPORT CARD PROFICIENCY VALUES

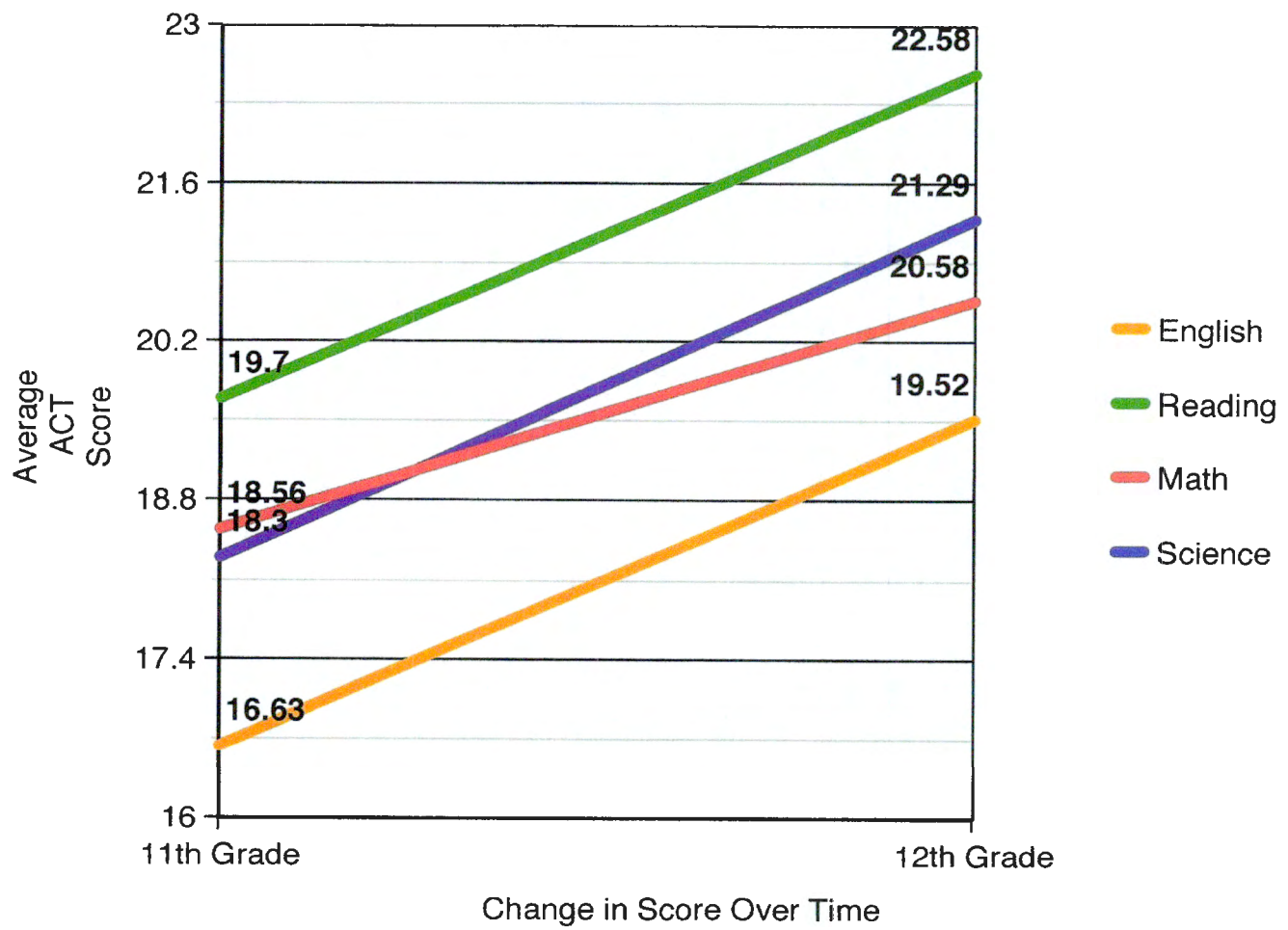
Gallup-McKinley County High Schools

Reading and Math Scores (2017-2018)





GROWTH ON ACT FROM 11th to 12th Grade





**Postsecondary Progress of Middle College High School  
2017 Graduates  
(Where They Are Six Months After Graduation)**

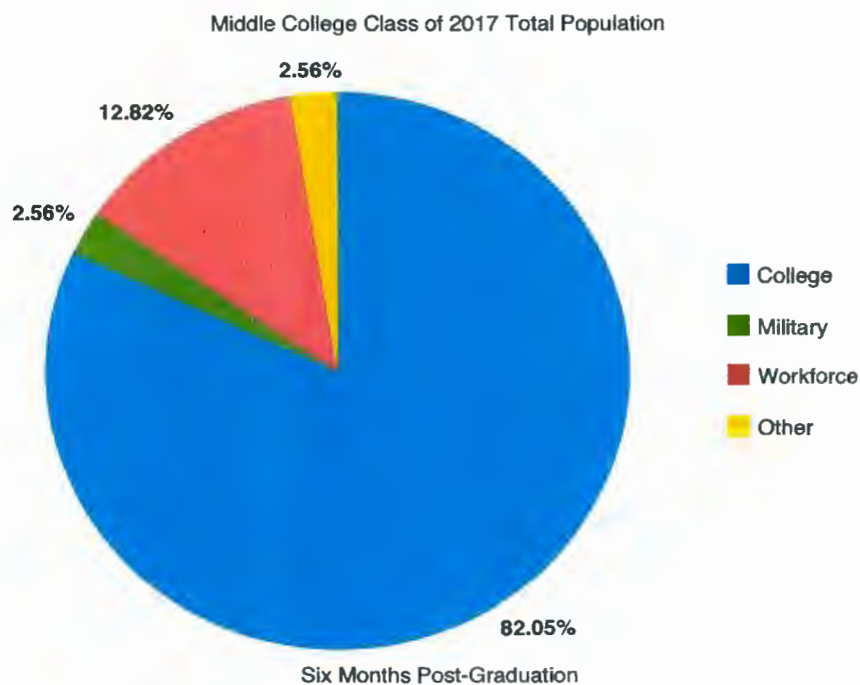
Middle College graduated 39 students in 2017. The school's graduation rate is the highest in the district at 92.1% (compared to a 67.2% average). As part of the school's mission specific indicators, students are tracked six months beyond graduation to determine retention statistics in postsecondary education.

	Student Ethnicity	Postsecondary Location
1.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
2.	Caucasian	UNM, Albuquerque (BA/MD program)
3.	Hispanic	Central New Mexico Community College
4.	Native American	UNM, Gallup
5.	Native American	New Mexico State
6.	African American	University of Texas, Austin
7.	African American	University of Florida
8.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
9.	Native American	US Navy
10.	Hispanic	NM State Police Academy
11.	Native American	UNM, Albuquerque
12.	Hispanic	Sterling College, Kansas
13.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
14.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
15.	Caucasian	Religious Mission in Macedonia, Greece
16.	Hispanic	UNM, Gallup
17.	Native American	UNM, Gallup
18.	Native American	Mesa Community College, Arizona
19.	Caucasian	New Mexico Tech
20.	Native American	UNM, Albuquerque
21.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
22.	Caucasian	UNM, Gallup
23.	Hispanic	Central Arizona College
24.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
25.	Caucasian	UNM, Albuquerque
26.	Hispanic	University of Pennsylvania
27.	Native American	Lawrence University, Wisconsin
28.	Caucasian	UNM, Albuquerque
29.	Hispanic	New Mexico State
30.	Native American	UNM, Gallup
31.	Caucasian	Workforce
32.	Native American	Northern Arizona University
33.	Native American	Central New Mexico Community College
34.	Hispanic	UNM, Albuquerque
35.	African American	Workforce
36.	Caucasian	Workforce
37.	Caucasian	Workforce
38.	Native American	UNM, Albuquerque
39.	Native American	UNM, Gallup

### Class of 2017 Postsecondary Locations

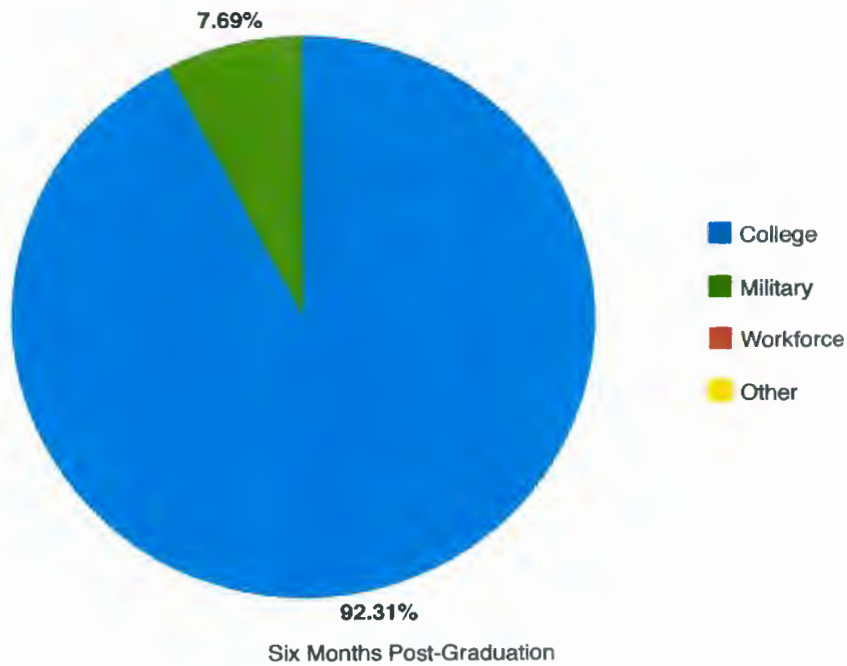
The following graphic displays disaggregate the information recorded above. As present trends show, more than eighty-two percent of Middle College's 2017 graduates are attending college six months after graduation. This timeframe is significant because it demonstrates retention beyond their first semester away from Middle College High School.

In addition to looking at the overall total, it is instructive to examine the school's data by ethnicity. Of significance is the success of the school's minority students, particularly Native American and Hispanic, who represent the school's two largest ethnic groups.

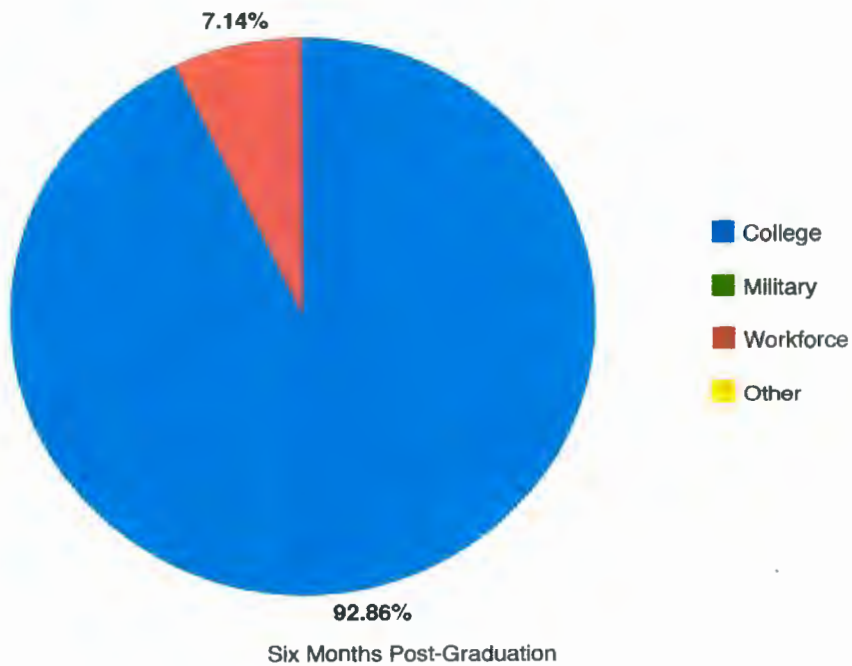


## 2017 Postsecondary Locations by Ethnicity

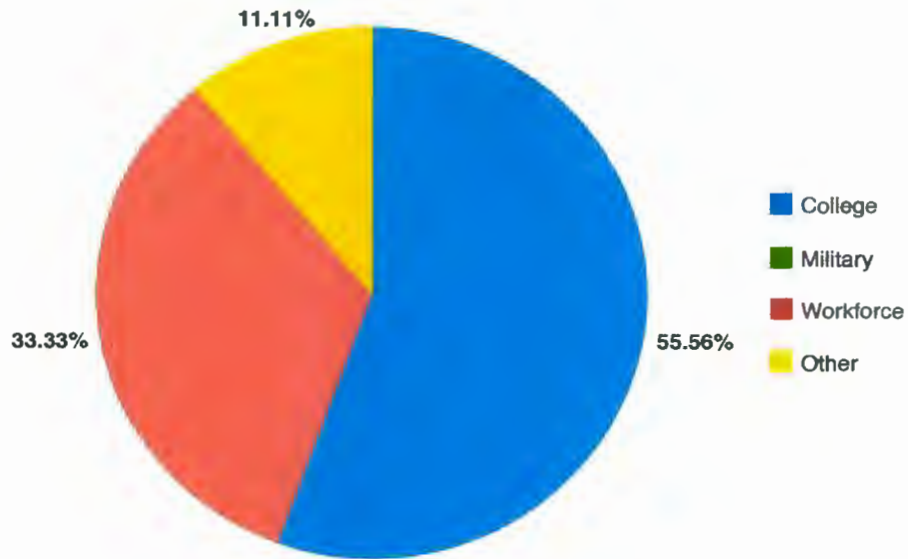
Middle College Class of 2017 Native American Students



Middle College Class of 2017 Hispanic Students

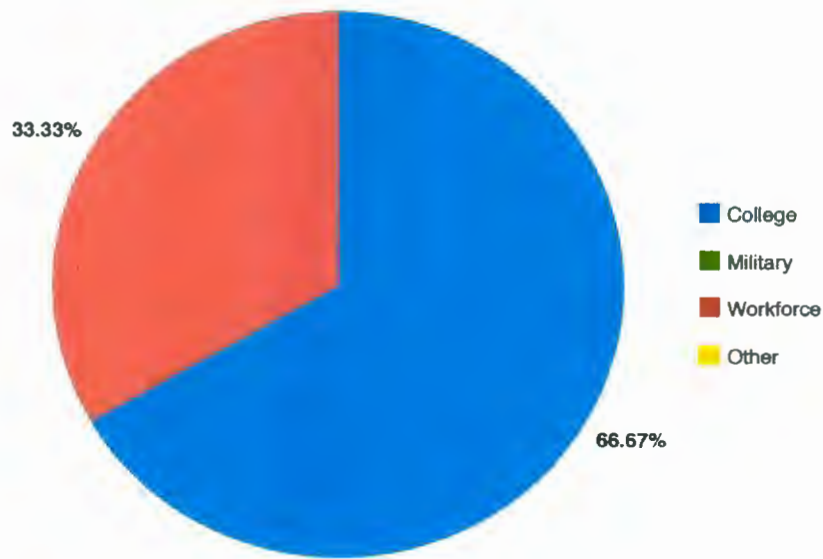


Middle College Class of 2017 Caucasian Students



Six Months Post-Graduation

Middle College Class of 2017 African American Students



Six Months Post-Graduation

**Minutes of Regular Meeting  
The Board of Education  
Gallup McKinley County Schools  
October 16, 2017**



A Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Gallup McKinley County Schools was held October 16, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the cafeteria of the Chee Dodge Elementary School, 641 N. Highway 491, Yahtahey, NM 87375.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Charles Long, President  
Christopher Mortensen, Vice President - Absent  
Michael W. Schaaf, Secretary  
Priscilla Manuelito, Member  
Kevin Mitchell, Member - Absent

**NEWS MEDIA PRESENT:**

Shaquana Desiderio, Gallup Independent

**GUESTS**

Kim Brown  
Dr. Rob Hunter  
Rebekah Nez  
Marco Abeita

Jacob Stokes  
Ron Triplehorn  
Cynthia Nells  
William Malan

Lynn Huenemann  
Matthew Baker  
Natasha Baker

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Hyatt, Superintendent  
Pauletta White, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services  
Jvanna Hanks, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services - Absent  
Tim Bond, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services  
Gerald Horacek, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction  
Joan Nez, Recording Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL**

Charles Long called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017, in the cafeteria of the Chee Dodge Elementary School, 641 N. Highway 491, Yahtahey, New Mexico. (Three board members were present for roll call)

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Michael Schaaf moved the agenda be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting)

a. Recognition (Student, Staff and Other) - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Michael Schaaf moved the minutes of the Board of Education regular meeting of September 18, 2017 meeting be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting)

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Priscilla Manuelito thanked the sponsors for taking students to Mesa Verde. She also supports the NIYLP renewal for one (1) year as the funds are identified each specific school. The donation of Purell hand sanitizer should not be alcohol base. The response is the hand sanitizers are all water base. The Health promotion materials are appreciated.

Michael Schaaf moved the consent agenda items be approved as presented. (4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4i, 4j, 4k, 4l)) Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting)

A. Report on, consideration of, and action on bids, proposals and use of existing contracts: CONSENT

1. Fleet Vehicles of September 14, 2017
2. On Site Document Shredding & Electronic Recycling Services of August 24, 2017
3. Food Supplies of October 3, 2017

B. Approval of Student Activity Travel: CONSENT

1. Gallup High, 13 students, 2 chaperons, Las Cruces, NM, October 12-14, 2017 to attend AMP conference/NM Best Robotics.(Student Activity) Trip 16475

2. Tse Yi Gai High, 15 students, 2 chaperons, Gallup, NM, October 10-12, 2017 for Peer Helpers Fall Training. (Operational) Trip 16578
3. Gallup High, 30 students, 4 chaperons, Artesia, NM, October 23-24, 2017 to attend the NM MESA Energy and Education Workshops. (Activity Fund) Trip 16583
4. Miyamura High, 172 students, 10 chaperons, Mesa Verde/Four Corners/Aztec Ruins, October 10-12, 2017 to familiarize students with Native American Ancestry. (Title VIII) Trip 16440
5. Tohatchi, Chief Manuelito, Crownpoint Mid, 40 students, 3 chaperons, Las Cruces, NM November 3-4, 2017 to attend NMSU Agriculture Day. (Activity Fund) Trip 16691
- C. Approval of Out-of-State/In-State Travel: CONSENT Board Policy D-3150 (10.8.1-10.8.8) - Travel Approved by Superintendent
  1. Marilyn Werner, Tohatchi Elementary, Grapewine, TX, November 12-15, 2017 to attend National Associate Music Education Conference. (Operational)
  2. Superintendent/Administrative Assistant Albuquerque, NM, November 30, 2017-December 2, 2017 to attend New Mexico School Board Association Annual Convention. (Operational)
  3. Board Members, Albuquerque, NM, November 30, 2017-December 2, 2017 to attend New Mexico School Board Association Annual Convention. (Operational)
  4. Leanne Gillson, Beverly Jonkman, Rehoboth, Grand Rapids, MI, November 15-18, 2017 to attend Science Academy Workshop. (Title II-A)
  5. Terry Jones, Gallup High, Milwaukee, WI, June 13-17, 2018 to attend the CAFE's 14th Annual Leadership Conference. (Carl Perkins)
  6. Jennifer Redhouse, Rocky View Elementary, Seattle, WA, March 21-25, 2018 to attend 2018 National Art Education Association Convention. (Operational)
- D. Financial Section - CONSENT
  1. 2017-2018 Budget Decrease
  2. 2017-2018 Budget Increase
  3. 2017-2018 Budget Adjustment Requests (Intra-Transfers)
  4. 2017-2018 Budget Adjustment Requests (Inter-Transfers)
  5. Current Bills - Operational, Federal Projects, Food Services, Other
- E. Approval of the GRADS Instruction Contract - CONSENT
- F. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between GMCS and the National Indian Youth Leadership Project, INC - CONSENT
- G. Adopt the Resolution to grant a waiver for District Employees Officiating Athletic Events participation in the procurement of services to conduct business with the District - CONSENT
- H. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between GMCS and New Mexico Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Inc. - CONSENT
- I. Approving to accept a donation from GOJO Industries Inc. - CONSENT
- J. Approving to accept a donation from GIMC/Health Promotion Department for Jefferson Elementary, Turpen Elementary and Red Rock Elementary - CONSENT
- K. Approval of the FY' 17-18 Memorandum of Agreement between Gallup McKinley County Schools and New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired - CONSENT
- L. Approval of Flipped Classroom Method (Independent Study) in Biology at Miyamura High School for SY' - CONSENT

**\*4. 2017-2018 BUDGET INCREASE**

I. It is recommended that the following 2017-2018 Budget Increase be approved.

Fund		24113	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Education of Homeless	\$	-	\$44,913	\$ 44,913	2017-2018 Increase
Fund		24186	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	USMHS/CDC School Health	\$	-	\$6,579	\$ 6,579	2017-2018 Increase
Fund		27103	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Dual Credit Instructional Materials	\$	-	\$48,561	\$ 48,561	2017-2018 Increase
Fund		27107	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	GO Bond Student Library	\$	-	\$115,244	\$ 115,244	2017-2018 Increase
Fund		27155	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Breakfast for Elementary Students	\$	-	\$72,320	\$ 72,320	2017-2018 Increase



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Fund	2795	Present Budget	Increase	Adjusted Budget	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE
Description	Teachers Hard To Staff Stipend	\$ -	\$36,450	\$ 36,450	2017-2018 Increase
<b>*4.2017-2018 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS (INTRA-TRANSFERS)-Same Function</b>					
FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER	
<b><u>Operational-Site Base(11000)</u></b>					
Subs Prof/LWOP/Brev/Other	Professional Development	\$ 34	David Skeet	To provide funding to pay tax on invoice.	
General Supplies & Materials	Other Contract Services	\$ 860	Gallup Central	To provide funding to pay for hotspot for GRADS students.	
General Supplies & Materials	Professional Development	<u>\$ 1,490</u>	Red Rock	To provide funding for Kindergarten training.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 2,384</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Fine Arts(11000)</u></b>					
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 28	David Skeet	To provide funding to add shipping charge.	
General Supplies & Materials	Professional Development	\$ 200	Turpen	To provide funding for music teachers travel to the NAFME Conference.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 632	Roosevelt	To provide funding to purchase items for the Music Class.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 240	David Skeet	To provide funding to purchase equipment for the Music Class.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	<u>\$ 800</u>	Tohatchi Elem.	To provide funding to purchase a music keyboard.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 1,900</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Vocational(11000)</u></b>					
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 80	Ramah High	To provide funding to purchase laptops for art student use.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 2,000	Gallup High	To provide funding to purchase items for Vocational Teachers.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	<u>\$ 4,000</u>	Kennedy Mid	To provide funding to purchase tablesaws and a 3D printer.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 6,080</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Science(11000)</u></b>					
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	<u>\$ 3,300</u>	Gallup Mid	To provide funding to purchase items needed.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 3,300</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Athletics/Activity(11000)</u></b>					
Student Travel	Other Contract Services	\$ 1,000	Miyamura	To provide funding for Golf entry fees.	
Other Contract Services	General Supplies & Materials	<u>\$ 575</u>	Tse Yi Gai	To provide funding to purchase items for weight room.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 1,575</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Diversity(11000)</u></b>					
General Supplies & Materials	Other Contract Services	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	Red Rock	To provide funding to pay for guest speakers.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 1,000</b>			
<b><u>Operational-Departments(11000)</u></b>					
Employee Travel-Non Teach	Professional Development	\$ 7,500	Superintendent Office	To adjust estimated budget to actual	
General Supplies & Materials	MGR Bldg. & Grounds (\$89)	<u>\$ 1,500</u>	Personnel Office	To provide funding for Xerox agreement for the school year.	
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 9,000</b>			
<b><u>Title I (24101)</u></b>					
Professional Development	Additional Compensation	\$ 7,970	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	Education Retirement	\$ 1,108	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	ERA-Retiree Health	\$ 160	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	FICA payments	\$ 495	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	Medicare Payments	\$ 116	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	Workers Comp. Prem.	\$ 111	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
Professional Development	Workers Comp. Emp Fee	\$ 40	Roosevelt	To provide non contract pay and benefits for Teachers to work on Data Anal	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 30,000	Kennedy Mid	To purchase items to enhance Math & Reading Programs.	
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 15,000	Kennedy Mid	To purchase Student laptops for ELA Students.	
Software	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 4,280	Tse Yi Gai	To purchase Student I pads.	
Base Salaries	Additional Compensation	\$ 750	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual	
Base Salaries	Dental	\$ 269	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual	
Base Salaries	Education Retirement	\$ 5,739	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual	



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Professional Development	Education Retirement	\$	1,133	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Professional Development	ERA-Retiree Health	\$	989	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Professional Development	FICA payments	\$	2,167	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Professional Development	General Supplies & Materials	\$	3,130	SSS	To purchase classroom manipulatives.
Professional Development	Health/Medical Premiums	\$	7,581	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	Health/Medical Premiums	\$	397	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	LIFE	\$	2	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.

**Title I (24101) cont.**

FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
Software	Medicare Payments	\$ 507	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	Vision	\$ 94	SSS	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Dental	\$ 392	Navajo Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Education Retirement	\$ 32	Navajo Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Health/Medical Premiums	\$ 7,999	Navajo Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Vision	\$ 88	Navajo Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Other Text Books	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 3,000	SSS	To provide funding to purchase computers for classrooms.
Software	Professional Development	\$ 30,000	SSS	To provide funding for Empower.
M&R Fur/Fix/Equip	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 2,500	Turpen	To provide funding to purchase computers for classrooms.
Other Text Books	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 10,000	Turpen	To provide funding to purchase computers for classrooms.
Software	Base Salary	\$ 1,484	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	Education Retirement	\$ 207	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	ERA-Retiree Health	\$ 30	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	FICA payments	\$ 89	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	Medicare Payments	\$ 21	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
Software	Vision	\$ 57	Ramah Elem.	To adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Software	\$ 3,431	Rocky View Elem.	To provide funding to purchase software.
Professional Development	Software	\$ 964	Rocky View Elem.	To provide funding to purchase software.
General Supplies & Materials	Substitutes	\$ 1,500	Thoreau Elem.	To provide funding for Substitutes Pay.
General Supplies & Materials	Additional Compensation	\$ 1,500	Thoreau Elem.	To provide funding for Substitutes Pay.
General Supplies & Materials	Other Contract Services	\$ 600	Thoreau Elem.	To provide funding for Explora.
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 145,912</b>		

**Title III English Language Acquisition(24153)**

General Supplies & Materials	Subs/Prof/LWOP/Brev/Other	\$ 10,000	SSS	To provide funding for teacher Sub pay.
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 10,000</b>		

**Carl Perkins(24174)**

General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 5	SSS	To provide funding for Tahatchi High.
Software	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$ 149	SSS	To provide funding for Tahatchi High.
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 154</b>		

**Title VIII Set Aside(25147)**

Student Travel	Other Text Books	\$ 30,000	SSS	Additional funding for dual credit textbooks.
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 30,000</b>		

**GRADS Day Care(25157)**

Base Salaries	Professional Development	\$ 750	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	Overtime	\$ 1,000	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	Education Retirement	\$ 139	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	ERA-Retiree Health	\$ 20	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	FICA payments	\$ 82	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	Medicare Payments	\$ 15	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Base Salaries	Workers' Comp. Premium	\$ 14	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove

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Base Salaries	Worker's Comp. Fee	\$	5	SSS	To provide funding for Day Care Techs for Professional Development and ove
Total:		\$	2,005		
Peer Helpers(26214)					
General Supplies & Materials	Student Travel	\$	500	SSS	To provide funding for Tse Yi Gai for Peer Helpers overnight stay.
Total:		\$	500		
Pre K Initiative(27149)					
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	409	Jefferson	To provide funding to purchase a cart to be used in the classroom.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	3,114	Red Rock	To provide funding to purchase playground toys & classroom cubbies.
Total:		\$	3,523		
Capital Improvement-SB-8-Site Base(31701)					
M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	Software	\$	1,500	Twin Lakes	To provide funding to purchase software for K-5.
Software	M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	\$	1,205	Crownpoint Elem.	To provide funding to pay for copier maintenance.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	700	Gallup High	To provide funding to purchase items for the Culinary Arts Classroom.
Fixed Assets>\$5,000	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	9,000	Turpen	To provide funding to purchase Students stand-up desk and computers for I
Supply Assets <\$5,000	M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	\$	1,000	Indian Hills	To provide funding to purchase small tools for custodial use.
Software	M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	\$	153	Del Norte Elem.	To provide funding to adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	\$	89	Del Norte Elem.	To provide funding to adjust estimated budget to actual.
Supply Assets <\$5,000	M&R Bldg. & Grounds (SB9)	\$	1,758	Del Norte Elem.	To provide funding to adjust estimated budget to actual.
General Supplies & Materials	Supply Assets <\$5,000	\$	1,550	Gallup High	To provide funding to purchase items for the Culinary Arts Classroom.
Total:		\$	16,955		
*4.2017-2018 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS (INTER-TRANSFERS)-Different Function					
FROM ACCOUNT	TO ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	LOCATION	JUSTIFICATION/PURPOSE OF TRANSFER	
Operational-Diversity(11000)					
General Supplies & Materials	Student Travel	\$	300	Twin Lakes Elem.	To provide funding to purchase items for Family Night.
Total:		\$	300		

**\*\*There was a moment of silence in honor of the late Shanice Henderson (student), Ernest Baker (employee) and Lisa Romero-Muniz (employee).**

**STUDY CIRCLE****A. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rebekah Nez, parent/IEC member thanked the school district as she attended the NIEA Conference. She is ready to apply the skills she has learned. She also touched on drop-out rates, what is being done to assist these students and graduation. Lynn Huenemann presented a handout on 2017 NMPED Proficiencies, All Assessments, Disaggregated and spoke if we really are doing the students when we say "justice for all" in our pledge of allegiance. Referencing the strategic session he asked of the board to discuss the PARRC scores. Board Goal: parent involvement

**B. Reports****1. School Buildings Update**

Ron Triplehorn has provided a detailed report on support operations. The detail report was the background summary, the analysis and recommendations on systems upgrades for energy efficiency and system upgrades for comfort conditioning and automated operations. Additional discussion will happen to make concrete decisions for the school district.

**2. Notices and Communication**

- October 18, 2017 ~ Region I Meeting (Gallup-Board Room 5:30 p.m.)
- November 3, 2017 ~ Board Strategic Session
- November 6, 2017 ~ BOE Meeting (Board Room)
- November 19, 2017 ~ Indian Education Advisory Council Meeting (Gallup)
- November 20, 2017 ~ BOE Meeting/Gov't to Gov't Meeting (Gallup)
- November 21, 2017 ~ Indian Education Summit (Gallup)

Priscilla Manuelito asked that the Indian Education Committee/Sub-Committee meetings be listed on the agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS - NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of the Middle College High School Renewal Application - ACTION**

Michael Schaaf moved the Approval of the Middle College High School Renewal be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Charles Long-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes)

**B. Approve a Board Member to serve on the Aquatic Center Board - ACTION**

Michael Schaaf volunteered to serve on the Aquatic Center Board, and moved to approve a Board Member to serve on the Aquatic Center Board be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Charles Long-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes)

Priscilla Manuelito requested to have heritage months' activities listed by schools for the board on the website. She also asked to schedule a work-session with the Legislators on school priorities, preferably at the next board meeting so that action can be taken at the meeting. The 30-day legislative session begins January 16, 2018. Lastly, a request was made for the Navajo Nation bilingual seal and the examination dates so that the schools can prepare.

Charles Long mentioned the previous board had three goals with no plans, at the strategic session scheduled the board will assure the goals will have plans.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business Michael Schaaf moved the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting) Meeting adjourned on Monday, October 16, 2017, at 7:20 p.m.

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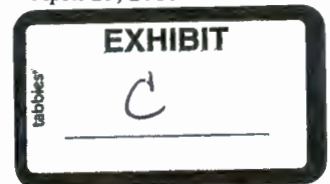
Charles Long, President

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Michael Schaaf, Secretary

Recorded by  
Joan Nez  
October 16, 2017

**Minutes of Special Meeting  
The Board of Education  
Gallup McKinley County Schools  
April 25, 2018**



A Special meeting of the Board of Education of Gallup McKinley County Schools was held April 25, 2018, beginning at 10:00 AM in the Cultural Education Conference Room of the Student Support Center, 640 Boardman, Gallup, NM 87301.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Charles Long, President  
Christopher Mortensen, Vice President (Absent-available on telephone)  
Michael W. Schaaf, Secretary  
Priscilla Manuelito, Member  
Kevin Mitchell, Member

**NEWS MEDIA PRESENT:** - NONE

**GUESTS**

Dr. Rob Hunter  
Matejka Santillanes  
Jay Santillanes

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Hyatt, Superintendent  
Pauletta White, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services  
Jvanna Hanks, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services  
Tim Bond, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services - Excused  
Gerald Horacek, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction  
Joan Nez, Recording Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - ROLL CALL**

Charles Long called the Board of Education meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, in the boardroom of the Student Support Center, 640 Boardman, Gallup, New Mexico. (Three board members were present for roll call: Charles Long-present, Michael Schaaf-present, and Priscilla Manuelito-present)

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Michael Schaaf moved the agenda be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Dual Enrollment between Navajo Technical University and Gallup McKinley County School District - CONSENT

Michael Schaaf moved the consent agenda be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Three board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

Priscilla Manuelito posed questions on the number of employees and students that has signed up, will transportation and meals be provided. Lastly, will there be insurance coverage.

Mike Hyatt responded there are 15-20 applications that has been submitted, grades 10<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> with one counselor at each school site and if there is a need for additional staff, they will be hired. The meals portion is being worked out whether SFE or NTU will be providing the meals, and insurance will be provided. School supplies will be provided by the school district.

Priscilla Manuelito wished "Happy Administrative Day" to all of the staff members.

*Kevin Mitchell entered at 10:11 a.m.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Approval of Award RFP-343-18WF as recommended by staff - ACTION

Marco Abeita presented the RFP for Financial Audit Services awarded to Hinkle + Landers, PC of Albuquerque.



Michael Schaaf moved the Approval of Award RFP-343-18WF as recommended by staff be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

B. Approval of Award ITB-346-18WF as recommended by staff - ACTION

Marco Abeita presented the REP for new vehicles awarded to Don Chalmers of Albuquerque; the vehicles will be used at Educational Development Center.

Priscilla Manuelito moved the Approval of Award ITB-346-18WF as recommended by staff be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

C. Approval of Agreement Modified to 2018-19 School Calendar and Salary Change - ACTION

Jvanna Hanks explained that spring break has been moved up one week to ensure additional instruction time and the salary increase for all of the employees was agreed upon with the modification.

Priscilla Manuelito moved the Approval of Agreement Modified to 2018-19 School Calendar and Salary Change be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

*Chris Mortensen available via telephonic*

D. Approval of Settlement with Charter School on Appeal to PED or issuance of notice of contemplated action on revocation or seeking alteration of Charter School Contract - ACTION

Kevin Mitchell moved the Approval of Settlement with Charter School on Appeal to PED or issuance of notice of contemplated action on revocation or seeking alteration of Charter School Contract: issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School that will provide a date and time for a hearing before the Board of Education on whether revocation of the charter is appropriate. At the hearing, the Administration shall submit evidence that the charter should be revoked and Middle College High School will be provided with the opportunity to demonstrate that the charter should be maintained. The notice shall provide the Middle College High School with the reasons the Administration believes that revocation is appropriate, and the Board's legal counsel shall work with the Board of Education and Administration to ensure this notice of intent and hearing process provides sufficient due process under the New Mexico charter School Act for revocation of a charter be approved as presented. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Five board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Chris Mortensen-yes, Charles Long-yes)

E. Approval of discussion and action to amend and extend the Superintendent's employment contract, including its terms and salary - ACTION

Michael Schaaf moved the Approval of discussion and action to amend and extend the Superintendent's employment contract, including its terms and salary by awarding a new 3-year contract to begin July 1, 2018, increase salary to \$160,000. and the board will finalized the contract for approval at the next board meeting be approved. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Five board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Chris Mortensen-yes, Charles Long-yes)

*Chris Mortensen exited the telephonic participation*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-** Communications with Legal Counsel Regarding Pending or Threatened Litigation regarding appeal by charter school to PED on amendment sought to charter school contract and regarding the future of charter school contract, and discussion of resolution of appeal by Charter School. In addition, discussion of amending and extending the Superintendent's employment contract, as permitted under Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act.

Michael Schaaf made the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues at 10:29 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

Kevin Mitchell made the motion to reconvene the meeting from the executive session at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes)

B. Report on Executive Session

1. Action: Settlement with Charter School on Appeal to PED or issuance of notice contemplated action on revocation or seeking alteration of Charter School Contract

Charles Long reported the discussion to issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School that will provide a date and time for a hearing before the Board of Education on whether revocation of the charter is appropriate. At the hearing, the Administration shall submit evidence that the charter should be revoked and Middle College High School will be provided with the opportunity to demonstrate that the charter should be maintained. The notice shall provide the Middle College High School with the reasons the Administration believes that revocation is appropriate.

2. Action: Discussion and action to amend and extend the Superintendent's employment contract, including its terms and salary.

Charles Long reported the board discussed the superintendents' contract and salary.

Priscilla Manuelito requested clarification on whether computer science is now a requirement for graduation and why the school district move the graduation dates to the beginning of the month in May. She asks that an email goes out to the board addressing the issues.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business Priscilla Manuelito moved the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. (Four board members present and voting: Kevin Mitchell-yes, Priscilla Manuelito-yes, Michael Schaaf-yes, Charles Long-yes) Meeting adjourned Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 12:10 p.m.

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Charles Long, President

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Michael Schaaf, Secretary

Recorded by  
Joan Nez  
April 25, 2018



# ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER

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EXHIBIT

D

RSC-06-13-683

## RESOLUTION OF THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER Eastern Navajo Agency District 16

### Resolution Supporting and Approving to Mandate the Continuation of Middle College High School.

#### WHEREAS:

1. The Rock Springs Chapter is a duly recognized Chapter of the Navajo Nation government pursuant to 26 NNC Section 3 and 11 NNC, Part I, Section 10; and
2. Pursuant to Title 26, NNC Section 1(B), Rock Springs Chapter is vested with the authority to review all matters affecting the community and to make appropriate correction when necessary and make recommendation to the Navajo Nation and other local Agencies for appropriate actions; and
3. Pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 1(B)(2) of the same "Act", Rock Springs Chapter is vested with the authority to make decisions over local matters and to govern with responsibility and accountability to the local citizens; and
4. Native American students represents the fastest growing and largest enrollment demographic at Middle College High School at fort percent (40%); and
5. Middle College High School prepares students for success in college, with ninety-two (92%) of Native American students both enrolling in and continuing to be enrolled in college more than six months after graduating from Middle College High School; and
6. The Gallup McKinley County School Board voted in a special meeting on April 25, 2018 to "issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter form Middle College High School"; and
7. The Gallup McKinley County School District recognizes the authority of the Navajo Nation Government in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Education Act, regarding any proposed action that has implications for Tribal students.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Resolution Supporting and Approving to Mandate the Continuation of Middle College High School.

#### CERTIFICATION

WE, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Rock Springs Chapter at a duly called chapter meeting at Rock Springs Chapter, (McKinley County), of the Navajo Nation, New Mexico at which a quorum was present and that same was approved by a vote of 17 In Favor 0 Opposed 7 Abstained, on the 13th day of June 2018.

Motioned: Laura Daniels

Seconded: Sandra Help

Eleanore Jones, Chapter President  
Rock Springs Chapter

Jasper Long, Vice-President  
Rock Springs Chapter



# ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER

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*Ruby H. Brown*

Ruby H. Brown, Secretary/Treasurer  
Rock Springs Chapter

Milton Davidson  
President

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Vice-President

Deborah Nelson  
Secretary-Treasurer



Paulene F McCabe  
Community Services Coordinator

Seth Damon  
23rd NN Council Delegate

Paul Houston  
Land Board Member

**MANUELITO (KIN HOZHONI) CHAPTER GOVERNMENT**  
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**EXHIBIT**

**E**

**Resolution of the Manuelito Chapter  
Eastern Navajo Agency – District 16**

**MANU06-1018-062**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND APPROVING TO MANDATING THE CONTINUATION OF  
MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL.**

**WHEREAS:**

1. Pursuant to N.N.C. Title 26; Chapter 1, Section 3 (A) under the Local Government Act Manuelito Chapter is a certified local government entity of the Navajo Nation and codified at 11 N.N.C Part 1 Section 10; and
2. Pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 1 (B)(1) of the same "Act" Manuelito Chapter is vested with the government authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo Law, including and tradition; and
3. Pursuant to Chapter 1, (B)(2) of the same "Act", Manuelito Chapter is vested with the authority to make decisions over local matters and to govern with responsibility and accountability to the local citizens; and
4. Native American students represents the fastest growing and largest enrollment demographic at Middle College High School at forty percent (40%); and
5. Middle College High School prepares students for success in college, with ninety-two percent (92%) of Native American students both enrolling in and in and continuing to be enrolled in college more than six months after graduating from Middle College High School; and
6. The Gallup-McKinley County School Board voted in a special meeting on April 25 "issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School; and
7. The Gallup-McKinley County School District recognizes the authority of the Navajo Nation Government in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Education Act, regarding any proposed action that has implications for Tribal students.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Manuelito Chapter hereby supports and approves to mandating the continuation of Middle College High School.

**C-E-R-T-I-F-I-C-A-T-I-O-N**

**WE HEREBY CERTIFY** that the forgoing Resolution was duly considered by Manuelito Chapter at a duly called chapter meeting in Manuelito, Navajo Nation (New Mexico) at which a quorum of chapter membership was present and the same was passed by a vote of 22 in favor, 0 opposed and 04 abstained this 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2018.

**Motion by:** Alvin Adakai

**Second by:** Janice Johnson

  
Milton Davidson, Chapter President





# THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE PRESIDENT

JONATHAN NEZ VICE PRESIDENT

CHARLES B. LEE, CHAPTER PRESIDENT

VIRGINIA YAZZIE-BALLINGER, CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT

GRACE BOYNE, CHAPTER SECRETARY/TREASURER

SETH DAMON, 23<sup>RD</sup> COUNCIL DELEGATE

ANDERSON LEE, COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR

RAYLYNN HASKIE-PERRY, ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST

**RESOLUTION OF THE TSE' LICHII CHAPTER**  
**RRC-016-2018-108**

**SUPPORTING AND APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE GALLUP MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL**



**WHEREAS:**

1. The Tse'Lichii is a certified Navajo chapter and as such is empowered by the Navajo Nation Council to render favorable decisions on behalf of its community; and
2. The Tse'Lichii Chapter is empowered and vested by the Navajo Nation Council to make decisions over local matters and govern with responsibility and accountability to the local citizens; and
3. Native American students represent the fastest growing and largest enrollment demographics at the Middle College High School at forty percent (40%); and
4. Middle College High School prepares students for success in college, with ninety-two percent (92%) of Native American students, both enrolling in and continuing to be enrolled in college more than six months after graduating from Middle College High School; and
5. The Gallup-McKinley County School Board voted in a special meeting on April 25 to "issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School" ; and
6. The Gallup McKinley County School District recognizes the authority of the Navajo Nation government in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Education Act regarding any proposed action that has implications for Tribal students.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Tse'Lichii Chapter supports and approves to mandating the continuation of the Middle College High School.

**WE, HEREBY, CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION** was duly considered at a duly-called meeting of the Tse'Lichii Chapter at which time a quorum was present and move to adoption on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018.

Motion: Kenneth Baker

Vote: 20-0-10

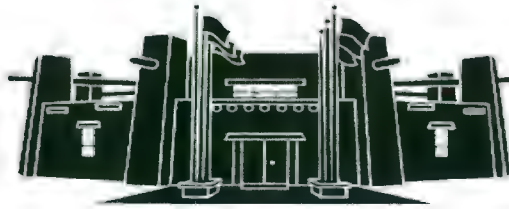
Charles B. Lee, President

Grace M. Boyne, Secretary-Treasurer

Second: Peter Benally


Virginia Yazzie Ballinger, Vice President

Seth Damon, Council Delegate



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Honorable Jonathan Hale  
Navajo Nation Council

**FROM:**   
Edward A. McCool, Principal Attorney  
Office of Legislative Counsel

**DATE:** July 2, 2018

**SUBJECT: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER, MANUELITO CHAPTER, AND TSÉ LICHII' CHAPTER IN THEIR CONCERNS AND EFFORTS TO KEEP MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL IN OPERATION**

As requested, I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge. Please ensure that this particular resolution request is precisely what you want. You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§500, 501. Nevertheless, "the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration." 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like made to the proposed resolution.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: 0231-18

SPONSOR: Jonathan Hale

**TITLE: An Action Relating to Health, Education and Human Services and Naabik'iyati' Committees; Supporting the Rock Springs Chapter, Manuelito Chapter, and Tse Lichii' Chapter in their concerns and efforts to keep Middle College High School in operation**

***Date posted: July 3, 2018 at 4:10pm***

**Digital comments may be e-mailed to [comments@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:comments@navajo-nsn.gov)**

**Written comments may be mailed to:**

**Executive Director  
Office of Legislative Services  
P.O. Box 3390  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(928) 871-7590**

**Comments may be made in the form of chapter resolutions, letters, position papers, etc. Please include your name, position title, address for written comments; a valid e-mail address is required. Anonymous comments will not be included in the Legislation packet.**

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**THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
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**SPONSOR: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale**

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**Posted: July 3, 2018 at 4:10pm**

**5 DAY Comment Period Ended: July 8, 2018**

**Digital Comments received:**

<b>Comments Supporting</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Inconclusive Comments</b>	<i>None</i>

  
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**Legislative Secretary II  
Office of Legislative Services**

7/9/2018 8:12am  
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**Date/Time**

Committee Report

THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO  
NATION COUNCIL to whom has been assigned;

LEGISLATION NO. 0231-18

AN ACTION RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND  
NAABIK'IYATI' COMMITTEES; SUPPORTING THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER, MANUELITO  
CHAPTER, AND TSE LICHII' CHAPTER IN THEIR CONCERNS AND EFFORTS TO KEEP  
MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL IN OPERATION

*Sponsor: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale*

**Amendment One (1):** Add as Exhibit "G", Letter In Support of Middle  
College High School Charter School from Edward T. Begay dated June 19,  
2018;

And add as Exhibit "H", Navajo Nation Board of Education Resolution  
NNBEJE-455-2018 Relating to Education: Opposing the Closure of the Middle  
College High School Charter School within the Gallup McKinley County  
School District

Has had under consideration and report the same with the recommendation  
that Legislation 0231-18 PASS with no amendment and no directive; and  
therefore referred the same to the NAABIK'IYATI' COMMITTEE OF THE NAVAJO  
NATION COUNCIL

Respectfully Submitted,

*N-MB*

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Norman M. Begay, Vice-Chairperson  
Health, Education and Human Services Committee

**July 23, 2018 - Amendment One (1) Motion**

Motion by: Honorable Nathaniel Brown

Seconded by: Honorable Nelson BeGaye

Vote: 3 in favor; 0 Opposed; Vice-Chairperson Not Voting

Yeas: Nathaniel Brown; Nelson BeGaye; Jonathan L. Hale

Nays: None

Absent (excused): 7/23/18 Steven Begay; Amber Kanazbah Crotty

**July 23, 2018 - Main Motion**

Motion by: Honorable Nathaniel Brown

Seconded by: Honorable Nelson BeGaye

Vote: 3 in favor; 0 Opposed; Vice-Chairperson Not Voting

Yeas: Nathaniel Brown; Nelson BeGaye; Jonathan L. Hale

Nays: None

Absent (excused): 7/23/18 Steven Begay; Amber Kanazbah Crotty



Edward T. Begay. 1105 Martinelli Drive, Gallup, New Mexico 505-863-3113

*New Exhibits.*

June 19, 2018

Navajo Nation Board of Education  
Department of Diné Education  
Post Office Box 670  
Window Rock AZ 86515

Dear Honorable Diné Education Board Members:

I am writing this letter in support of Middle College High School. This school is recognized as the 12<sup>th</sup> best public high school in the state of New Mexico, based on data collected by the US Department of Education. I am familiar with the school and the success of its Native American students who move onto higher education. It concerns me that the Gallup McKinley County School District is threatening to shut down this school. The decision appears to be based on politics and money.

As I reported to the Rock Springs Chapter last week, the Gallup McKinley County School Board is responsible for looking after the best interests of all of our students, not the wishes of its superintendent. They have been elected to be our voice in supervising the operation of the district. It seems they may have gotten things backwards because they are listening to the superintendent instead of the superintendent listening to them. They need to remember that it is our people who support the local economy through sales taxes and that it is because of this that the people at the district have their jobs.

Local school districts are funded from state money. This pot of money gets divided between all the local districts. The threat to close Middle College and steal its students is a trickery by Gallup McKinley Schools to get a larger portion of this pot of money. It is motivated by greed. Who is looking out for the interests of the students? Who is looking out for our families right to choose where their children get to go to school?

I am asking for your support of Middle College High School. Please consider joining the action of several Chapter Houses that have passed resolutions mandating the continuation of the school. A resolution from the Department of Diné Education would remind the Gallup district of its obligation to meet the needs of all of our students. In my days as Speaker of the Council, we enacted the practice of fundamental law to ensure that our sovereignty was recognized in all policy decisions. Please take action to honor this commitment. It is important that the Gallup McKinley School District understands that it has a responsibility to our people.

Ahe'hee,



Edward T. Begay

*Xc: Honorable Members of the Health, Education and Human Services Committee Members, The Navajo Nation Council  
Honorable Speaker LoRenzo C. Bates, The Navajo Nation Council*



**DEPARTMENT OF DINÉ EDUCATION  
THE NAVAJO NATION**

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Russell Begaye  
President

Jonathan Nez  
Vice-President

**NNBEJE-455-2018**

**RESOLUTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Relating to Education; Opposing the Closure of the Middle College High School Charter School  
Within the Gallup McKinley County School District**

**WHEREAS:**

1. The Department of Diné Education (hereinafter the “Department”) is the administrative agency within the Navajo Nation with responsibility and authority for implementing and enforcing the educational laws of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 1801 (B); 10 N.N.C. § 107 (A). The Department is under the immediate direction of the Board. 10 N.N.C. § 107 (B).
2. The Navajo Nation Board of Education (hereinafter the “Board”) is the education agent in the Executive Branch for the purposes of overseeing the operation of all schools serving the Navajo Nation. 10 N.N.C. § 106 (A). The Board carries out its duties and responsibilities through the Department of Diné Education. 10 N.N.C. § 106 (G)(3).
3. Native American students represents the fastest growing and largest enrollment demographic at Middle College High School at forty percent (40%).
4. Middle College High School prepares students for success in college, with ninety-two percent (92%) of Native American students both enrolling in and continuing to be enrolled in college more than six months after graduating from Middle College High School.
5. The Gallup-McKinley County School Board voted in a special meeting on April 25, 2018 to “issue a notice of intent to revoke the charter for Middle College High School.”
6. The Gallup-McKinley County School District recognizes the authority of the Navajo Nation Government in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Education Act, regarding any proposed action that has implications for tribal students.
7. Three (3) Navajo chapters (Baahaali, Red Rock, and Manuelito) have also passed resolutions of support for the Middle College High School.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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8. The Board strongly believes in parent and student choice, which also includes access to a high quality education. Upon information and belief, the Middle College High School is one of the best performing schools in the McKinley County area and Navajo Nation service area.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Navajo Nation Board of Education hereby opposes the closure of the Middle College High School within the Gallup McKinley County School District.
2. The Navajo Nation Board of Education further requests the Gallup McKinley County School District to reconsider their decision or future actions to close the Middle College High School.
3. The Navajo Nation Board of Education hereby recommends and empowers the Superintendent of Schools to take any actions deemed necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of this resolution and directive.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Board of Education of the Navajo Nation at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, Arizona (Navajo Nation) at which a quorum was present, motion by Dr. Bernadette Todacheene and seconded by Dr. Delores Greyeyes and that the same was passed by a vote of 4 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstained, this 27th day of June 2018.

  
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Dr. Pauline M. Begay, President  
Navajo Nation Board of Education