



Pecos Independent School District

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The NM Public Education Department has released the school grades for 2016. These grades are based on the PARCC testing—which includes Current Standing, School Growth, Student Growth of Highest/Lowest Students, Opportunity to Learn, Graduation Rates, College and Career Readiness, Bonus Points and other factors.

The Pecos ISD has focused on increasing the academic output for our students across the district at all of our sites. We were not satisfied with our grades from 2015. The staff and students formulated a plan of action that required changes in our approaches to ensuring that learning was taking place. The staff was challenged to meet the needs of our students by following the Standards-Based Instructional System approach that the district has adopted. Various trainings and instructional leadership methods were utilized to prepare our staff to meet the needs of our students. The students were challenged every day and every way to focus on the objectives and lessons that were being presented.

As I have reported in previous emails and reports, the district showed incredible improvements in reading and mathematics for the 2015-16 testing. As a district, we showed more growth in both areas than the state average. We outpaced the state in many tested grades and subjects. We are on the right path!

Pecos High School showed growth in many areas and maintained an overall grade of C. Pecos Middle School also showed growth in the tests and moved from a D grade in 2015 to a C grade for 2016. Pecos Elementary School showed growth in these areas as well moving from an F grade in 2015 up two grades to a C for the 2016 school year.

The Pecos ISD is very excited about the vast improvements that we have attained; however, we are not satisfied. We want our schools at the A grade! We have many outstanding programs and initiatives in all of our schools that help our students to get a well-rounded education that will enable them to be globally competitive. We have already started to go through the data to make plans to improve upon our results for 2017.

Be proud of your students and Pecos ISD staff! They have met the challenge, and they are hungry for more success!

Your support in the schools is greatly needed and appreciated! You help us to make the difference.

Fred Trujillo, Superintendent Pecos ISD