

ACES UPDATE  
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### Membership in ACES Continues to Increase

The ACES membership continues to grow. Currently we have 33 Charter Schools whose Governing Councils have approved resolutions for membership in ACES. As our numbers continue to grow, so does our ability to obtain the very best pricing for goods and services for charter schools.

### Regional/School Meetings

Max and Bruce have been traveling the State visiting with charter leaders in individual schools and at regional meetings in Santa Fe, Las Cruces and Taos. The purpose of the meetings have been to share with the schools what ACES has to offer and to solicit input on products and services that charters schools want and need. If we have not been to your school yet, we will be contacting you soon to schedule a meeting.

### Current Cooperative Purchasing Contracts

#### Service

Cafeteria and Food Services  
Online Ancillary Services  
Business Financial Services/APTA

#### Vendor Awarded Contract

Canteen  
Therapy Source  
AptAbility

If you are interested in learning more about these services and their costs, please contact Bruce ([bruce.H@nmaces.org](mailto:bruce.H@nmaces.org); 575/740.0020) or Max ([max.L@nmaces.org](mailto:max.L@nmaces.org); 505.269.2109).

### Featured Cadre Member of the Month-Dr. Patricio Rojas; Data Disaggregation and Analysis

Dr. Patricio Rojas has joined ACES as a Cadre Member. Dr. Rojas, recently retired from Los Lunas School as the Director of Data, Assessment, and Accountability, has extensive experience working with student assessment data. Highly respected for his work with data analysis, Dr. Rojas is one of the very few people that fully understands how school grades are calculated and how schools can improve their grades.

Dr. Rojas takes student assessment data, whether from the SBA, PARCC, short-cycle assessments, or classroom teacher data and breaks it down and organizes it in a way that is easy understandable for Governing Councils, school staff, and parents to use. Dr. Rojas develops comprehensive and easy-to-use charts and graphs that key stakeholders can use to make meaningful and informed decisions as to how to improve student outcomes. A sample presentation can be found by clicking on "NMACES Sample Presentation" on the bottom of the page at <https://sites.google.com/a/nmaces.org/nmaces/products-and-services-available/cadre-members-and-services/dr-patricio-rojas>.

Dr. Rojas can also take a charter school's data and help organize and present it for charter renewals and for performance contracts. For more information on Dr. Rojas' services and pricing, please contact Bruce or Max.

### **Membership in ACES**

Membership in ACES is free for all NM Coalition for Charter Schools Members. For non-Coalition members, there is a nominal fee for membership. All members are part of the ACES Governing Board and have voting rights.