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May 15, 2018

Mr. Travis Dempsey, Superintendent
Gadsden Independent School District
P.O. Drawer 70
Anthony, NM 88021

RE: New Mexico FY18 PreK Start-up Award

Dear Superintendent Dempsey:

The Public Education Department (PED) has reviewed and approved the Gadsden Independent School District FY19 application for the New Mexico PreK program. In order to facilitate your district or charter school's successful PreK program, the PED is awarding an FY18 start-up grant of \$10,000.00 per newly funded classroom. The initial awarded amount is **\$20,000.00**, which is based on 2 new PreK classrooms and available funding.

The funding provided shall be used as specified by the 2015 PreK Act. The PreK program requirements must be implemented as specified in your approved application.

Funding under this award must be used as specified by legislation. All expenditures must be in accordance with fiscal regulations and the approved application through the Literacy, the Humanities, and Early Childhood Bureau of the Public Education Department. Any budgetary items within the PreK District or Charter application, considered unallowable, will not be funded or reimbursed.

In order to budget these funds, please create a Budget Adjustment now through the Operating Business Management System (OBMS) for **\$20,000.00** by **June 15, 2018**. Use **Fund Code 27149** and **Revenue Code 43202**.

These funds are provided on a reimbursement basis only using OBMS Requests for Reimbursement (RfR) and must be accompanied by an expenditure report with documentation supporting the claim. The FY18 PreK award must be expended by **June 30, 2018**. Carryover is not allowed. **All RfRs must be submitted on or before July 7, 2018.**

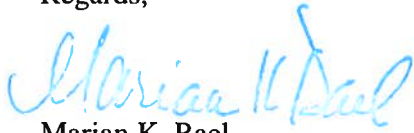
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If you have questions regarding your PreK award, please contact Brenda Kofahl, PreK Program Manager, at (505) 827-6627, Brenda.Kofahl@state.nm.us. To reach the Fiscal Grants Management Bureau, please contact Susan Lucero at (505) 827-3848 or Susan.Lucero@state.nm.us.

Regards,



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