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## **New Mexico Educator's Rising State Competition**

Educator's Rising is a national program founded to inspire the next generation of teachers at the student level. The program offers students opportunity to enhance their love for teaching in a form of friendly competition, either in competitions such as lesson planning or as far as on-the-spot mock classroom instruction.

At the state level, students compete in respective categories that they must register for at the beginning of the school year. Given most of a semester to prepare, the students then compete at regional or state level conferences, each striving to qualify to compete at the national conference.

At the New Mexico State Educator's Rising Conference, the following students from Deming High School placed in the listed events, qualifying for the Educator's Rising national conference in Orlando, Florida this June.

Inside Our Schools Video

1st Place, Antoni Varela and David Velez

Impromptu Speaking

2nd Place, David Velez

Researching Learning Challenges

4th Place, Taylor Benavidez, Kelcy Sigman, Kianna Gomez

Children's Literature Pre-K

5th Place, Cielo Villa and Brianna Harvey

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