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April 29, 2022

Travis Dempsey
Gadsden Independent School District
tldempsey@gisd.k12.nm.us

Re: NM PreK Modification of Grant of Award FY22 and FY23 to Address Teacher and Educational Assistant Compensation Increases

Dear Superintendent Dempsey:

The Early Childhood Education and Care Department (ECECD) is modifying FY22 and FY23 New Mexico PreKindergarten (PreK) grant of award to include additional funds to support compensation increases for your PreK teachers and educational assistants (collectively, "PreK educators") for the last quarter of the current school year and for the upcoming school year to align with the compensation changes provided to public school K-12 educators in the General Appropriations Act of 2022. **For PreK educator compensation increases, please utilize fund number 28208 in the OBMS system.**

Per this modification, your school district will receive an additional \$13,638.27 for FY22 and an additional \$210,369.01 for FY23 to support PreK educators' increased compensation. Please sign and return the attached addendum to ECECD-PreKGrant@state.nm.us no later than **May 13, 2022**.

We appreciate your dedication and service to the children and families of New Mexico. If you have any questions, please contact Monica Santistevan at: monica.santistevan@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

Sandy Trujillo-Medina
Director Early Care Education and Nutrition

Attachment: Acknowledgment of Modification of Grant of Award

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF MODIFICATION OF GRANT OF AWARD

I hereby accept and agree that Gadsden Independent School District will receive an additional \$13,638.27 for FY22 and an additional \$210,369.01 for FY23 to support increased compensation for PreK educators.

I agree to adhere to the terms and conditions set forth in the Modification of Grant of Award for FY22 and FY23 and acknowledge that the purpose of this award is to increase teacher and educational assistant salaries to align with the compensation requirements for K-12 educators as outlined in the General Appropriations Act of 2022.

Superintendent/Charter Leader: _____ Date _____