



The Outdoor Educator Leadership Program

*Creating the Pathway
for Outdoor Classrooms*

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WHAT IS IT?

WHY NOW?



- **The Outdoor Educator Leadership Program is designed to get teachers comfortable with using outdoor spaces, which ultimately will pave the path for daily outdoor education, and sustainable outdoor classrooms at schools.**
- **It is time for a starting place to create statewide guidelines for outdoor classrooms with supporting funds and infrastructure to benefit ALL students.**

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Outline



- **1-2 Meetings Monthly -virtual and in person**
- **Timeline: July-December 2024**
- **School-time outdoor activities/instruction/etc. with students**
- **Facilitated discussions**
- **Development of new strategies, ideas, frameworks, guidelines, outdoor spaces**
- **Presentations, sharing, and implementing**

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Goals



- Getting students outside daily
- Creating Communities of Practice
- Building and strengthening relationships
- Establishing statewide guidelines and frameworks for outdoor classrooms
- Increased funding for outdoor classrooms across School Districts
- Strengthening curriculum alignment to Outdoor Education

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Benefits



- Gain materials, resources, tools and funds to support time, effort, and design for outdoor classrooms supported by the NM PED Outdoor Learning Initiative
- Attend professional development
- Engage students with hands-on experiential learning
- Be part of the first of its kind statewide effort supporting outdoor classrooms
- Increase comfortability with the outdoors
- Build teacher and student leadership skills
- Involve community
- improve social, emotional, and behavioral health and connection for students
- \$600 Stipend upon completion!

Applications

OPEN NOW!

Until May

1st



Who Should Apply?

ANYONE who works in a public elementary school or organization that works with public elementary schools in Valencia County who supports and wants to create possibilities for outdoor education for their students.

- Encourage Level 1 teachers who are looking to start their teaching journey
- Those who teach a diverse body of students
- Those wanting to see an inclusive system change to include outdoor education

**APPLY
ONLINE**
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The application is EASY!

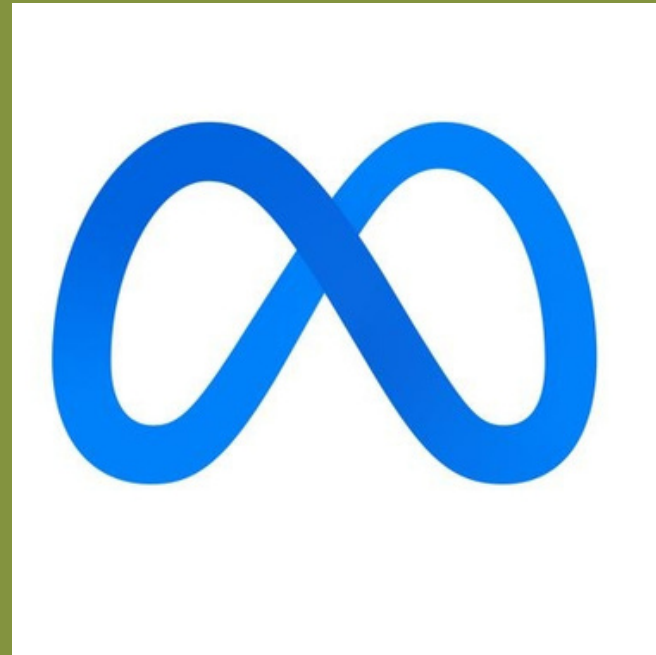
Tell us why you would be a good candidate for this program to help shape the statewide effort for the future of outdoor classrooms!

**SCAN the QR
CODE NOW and
APPLY!!**





**THANK
YOU!**



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**OUTDOOR EDUCATOR
LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

CREATE, IMPROVE,
GROW, AND SUSTAIN
ACCESSIBLE OUTDOOR
SPACES

This program is made possible by the funds from the New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division and The META Community Action Grant.

We are incredibly grateful for your commitment to this program and outdoor classrooms!