

Press Release

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2021 NM MESA Graduating Seniors Qualify for over \$135,000 in Loyalty Award Funds

ALBUQUERQUE, NM: Congratulations to our 2021 Loyalty Award Qualifiers! 169 students from our NM MESA High Schools qualified to earn over \$135,000 to be used for their secondary education expenses.

To be eligible for the award, students must: be active in NM MESA for two or more years; demonstrate program loyalty by earning a minimum of 175 activity points; meet or exceed GPA standards and/or standardized test scores; enroll in an academic program the semester following graduation or enlist for military service; and submit all required paperwork to participate in NM MESA and receive a financial award. The amount of the award is determined by overall activity participation for all years in the NM MESA program, academic performance, STEM course completion, and any leadership positions held while in the NM MESA program. In total, NM MESA students are eligible for an award of up to \$1000 upon graduation. Our qualifying students are still required to submit additional paperwork to receive the award in September, 2021.

NM MESA acknowledges the hard work and achievement of all of our graduating students.

For a full list of all qualifying students and for additional information, visit the NM MESA website: www.nmmesa.org.

NM MESA's mission is to "Empower and motivate New Mexico's culturally diverse students with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) enrichment."

NM MESA is a year-round, multi-year, science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) initiative that works with school districts and higher education institutions to improve NM student STEM performance; increase NM college STEM performance; increase NM college STEM enrollment; provide hands-on STEM competitions.