

ENMU-Roswell GEAR UP

Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs



MOTIVATING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS IN LIFE

ACT ONLINE PREPARATION FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Through the Gear Up Program at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell, Chaves County high school students now have access to the ACT Online Prep School Edition. Gear Up was able to acquire a site license for each high school in Chaves County (Dexter, Hagerman, Goddard, Lake Arthur, and Roswell) at a reduced cost. Now high school students can have access to the ACT Online Prep by signing up with their appropriate high school counselor.

The ACT Online Prep provides students access via the Internet at any time.

Each student is assigned a Study Path according to the results of Diagnostic Tests. Students are able to review actual ACT test questions from retired tests. Each student has access to two practice tests, including ACT writing tests, with real-time scoring. Students are



then able to review their results after the tests are scored.

ACT Online Prep will also provide students with comprehensive content review for each of the ACT's four required tests—*English, Math, Reading, and Science.*

For more information, students should contact their local high school counselor.

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Grapevine Newsletter
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Gear Up's Purpose

Prepare Chaves County **8th and 9th grade students (2007-2008)** for college by addressing the most critical needs of students at risk of educational failure and ensuring that significantly more students successfully pursue postsecondary education.

Gear Up Provides:

- **Tutoring/Mentoring**
Free tutoring and mentoring services available during and after school
- **Cultural and Educational Field Trips.**
Available free to all Gear Up participants
- **Professional Development Services**
for all target schools
- **Parental Workshops**
Available free to all Gear Up parents



Summer 2008- Calendar of Events

June 2-27:

**RISD/GEAR UP 8th Grade
SUMMER SCHOOL**

June 2-20

ENMU-Roswell Kids Kollege

***FREE Classes for ages 8-17**

June 30-July 12:

**GEAR UP SUMMER
ACADEMY**



KIDS KOLLEGE



GEAR UP PROVIDES LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES TO LOCAL SCHOOLS

Gear Up recently provided training to local middle school teachers on a new system designed to improve student classroom learning. Known as “clicker systems” these Classroom Performance Systems (CPS) allow each student to use a remote device to answer questions posed by the instructor from a PowerPoint pres-



entation. Gear Up purchased twelve systems for Roswell middle schools.

Gear Up Program Director, Steve Markl stated a major indicator of progress for U.S. Department of Education Gear Up Grant programs is the implementation of current ‘best practices’ in the target schools. “Many of these practices are intended to create a more active and partici-

pative learning environment. With the ‘clicker systems’, summaries of student responses can be shown in real-time to instructors and/or students. Answers are stored electronically for later review.”

Current research shows the benefits of these ‘clicker systems’ include:

- Increased class attendance

- An opportunity for instructors to identify and intervene early when students are not performing well
- Ability to poll student on various issues
- Identify misconceptions and levels of understanding



GEAR UP COMMUNITY SERVICE



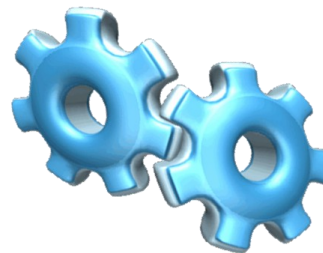
Gear Up Mountain View and Sierra Middle

School students worked with Harvest Ministries throughout the year. Students helped every Thursday by measuring and bagging over three hundred pounds of flour and rice. They also bagged potatoes, onions, and packed food boxes.

Gear Up staff rewarded these dedicated students for their hard work by providing them dinner and a trip to ‘Christmas on the Pecos’ in Carlsbad.



Sierra and Mountain View Gear Up Students Volunteer



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN DEXTER SCHOOLS

For the past two years, Gear Up has contracted with Dr. Sharon Gatti-Carson to provide professional development services to Gear Up instructors in Dexter schools.

Dr. Gatti-Carson provides instructors with

classroom mentoring and instruction techniques unique to Gear Up target students. Training includes the STAR Reading Program and Explicit Instruction.

Superintendent of Dexter Schools, Patricia Parsons stated, “We have

experienced such consistent, documented success using Dr. Gatti-Carson as a consultant to guide our teachers and administrators, that we want to work with her as much as possible.”

PARENT NIGHT

BERRENDO MIDDLE SCHOOL

On Thursday, February 7, Gear Up sponsored ‘Parent and Student Night’ at Berrendo Middle School. Parents and students enjoyed enchilada dinners while receiving educational information from Gear Up, The American Cancer Society, ENMU-Roswell Career and Technical Education Department, and Principal, Ms. Herrera.



Art Bolanos, Gear Up Site Supervisor, awards Tiffany Young, Mesa Middle School with a certificate and scientific calculator.



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ACT EXPLORE ASSESSMENT—HIGH SCORER

Gear Up 8th grader, Tiffany Young was recognized for her prodigious score of twenty-four on the ACT EXPLORE Assessment. Gear Up awarded Ms. Young with a certificate and scientific calculator to reward her efforts.

Ms. Young attended Mesa Middle School (2007-2008)

and is active in Gear Up and New Mexico MESA programs. She is Student Council President and is active in cheerleading, volleyball, basketball, track, and soccer. Ms. Young maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout the school year.



Tiffany!

ROSWELL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS 2008

On May 15, Roswell High School recognized students who held a 3.0 or higher GPA. Congratulations to the following Gear Up 9th graders:

Matthew Alvarez, Della Andazola, Bruce Bailey, Matthew Carroll, Kayleigh Chapman, Anne Clark, Deannette Davis, Raelin Dross, Aaron Espinoza, Brianna Franco, Esmeralda Garcia, Cassandra Gonzales, Robert Hatcher, Justin Hernandez, Lucero Hernandez, Sara Humaran, Daniel Iglesias, Chancelor Kane, Micah Lawson, William Liakos, Vanessa Lozano, Lucia

Martinez, Felicia Mejia, Melissa Milan, Arely Miramontes, Kaylynn Ortiz, Kasey Palma, Lindsey Pearce, Cortney Plemmons, Trevor Pope, Sheila Quintana, Mary Ann Romero, Aaron Ross, Alexandria Sanchez, Mathew Scott, Eduardo Sierra, Jasmyn Smith, Shanice Steenholdt, Hans Steinmeier, Taylor Thomas, Jesse Trujillo, Mayra Trujillo, Ever Vazquez, Malcom Wiggins, Davena Williamson, and Sawyer Wilson.



GODDARD HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS 2008

On May 13, Goddard High School recognized students with academic awards in the following categories:

Academic Medal and Presidents' Excellence were awarded to the following students maintaining a cumulative GPA of 4.0 or above and a score of 80% on the ACT, SAT, or PSAT exam:

Kristen Baker, Lane Barraza, Matthew Brown, Skyla Burd, Colton Campbell, Kayla Carter, Asha Chechani, Chelsea Clark, Allison Collins, Allison Davis, Andrew Duncan, Sabrina Einhorn, Whitley Gammill, Jennifer Garcia, Vanessa Gutierrez, Daniela Hagenlocher, Myles Hamilton, Claudea Hernandez, Katy Hollifield, Kurt Isslieb, Deanna Jerge, Kelsey Jones, Cheyenne Kyser, Tori Logsdon, Keenan Lucero, Shawn Luck, Andrew Martin, Michael McKee,

Robert Neeld, Taylor Puntch, Baylee Rogers, Gabriela Ramirez, Brittney Scates, Taylor Scott, Jordan Simitz, Trenton Somerville, Alexandra Taylor, John Thompson, Kennen Vang, Matthew Velasco, and Anne Yingling.

Academic Medal, Presidents' Excellence, and Renaissance Recognition were awarded to the following students:

Courtney Fry, Jeremy Fry, Victoria Haney, William Hahn, Danielle Turner, Matthew Ulcak, and Andrew Wiser.

Presidents' Excellence and 3.5-3.999 Certificate of Recognition were awarded to the following students:

Samuel Alexander, Gabriel Alvarex, Rahbeka Anderson, Destiny Arias, Jaclyn Armijo, Erika

Banda, Jessica Biggers, Bailey Blackwell, Mark Bridges, Jackson Cassels, Anastacia Cilley, Brandon Cooper, Miguel Delgado, Gaige Franco, Skylar George, Cynthia Gonzalez, Kyrh Graham, Nathanel Guajardo, Morgan Jones, Maggie LaCasse, Leanne Lucero, Lacey Lynch, Andrea Matta, Frankie Meads, Morgan Metcalf, Jeffery Miller, Hannah Moore, Maranda Najar, Suzann Naylor, Christopher Nunez, Justin Powers, Erin Prichard, Matthew Ramey, Earl Robinson, Taylor Rogers, Elisabeth Roe, Adam Ryan, Rickey Smaora, Maryah Shewcraft, Shelby Shull, Brittany Snipes, Shirley Solano, Ashleigh Stevens, Selena Tavarrez, Jaclyn Thatcher, Ashley Vasquez, Marissa Velasquez, Elizabeth Waddell, Christian Wilcox, Angelica Wilson, and Trent Wohifeil.

We're on the web!

[http://www.roswell.enmu.edu/
gear_up](http://www.roswell.enmu.edu/gear_up)

STUDENT AND TEACHER RESOURCES

Here are some educational websites that can be helpful whenever you have internet access:

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH

HotMath

[http://projects.edte.utwente.nl/
hotmath/home.htm](http://projects.edte.utwente.nl/hotmath/home.htm)

Math Playground's Thinking Blocks

[www.mathplayground.com/
thinkingblock.html](http://www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblock.html)



PARENT RESOURCES

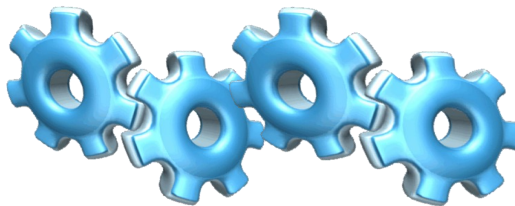
New Mexico Public Education Department - Working Together: School, Family, Community, and Partnerships. A Toolkit for New Mexico School Communities

[http://www.ped.state.nm.us/div/
rural_ed/toolkit/toolkit.htm](http://www.ped.state.nm.us/div/rural_ed/toolkit/toolkit.htm)

Especially for Parents by the Department of Education includes tools and information to help children succeed in school and life. Some features in English and Spanish are:
[Toolkit for Hispanic Families](#),
([en español](#))

Gear Up Serves ALL Chaves County Public School
Students in the 9th and 10th grades (2008-2009)

For more information, please contact us!



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INDEPENDENCE DAY HUMOR!

What did one flag say to
the other flag?
Nothing...it just waved.

What kind of tea did the
American colonists thirst
for?
Liberty

How was the food at the
Fourth of July picnic?
The hot dogs were bad and
the brats were wurst!

Teacher: "Which son of
old Virginia wrote the
Declaration of Independ-
ence?"

Student: "I think it was
Thomas Jeffer's son."

Teacher: "Where was the
Declaration of Independ-
ence signed?"
Student: "On the bottom!"



- Drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration
- Use sunscreen when outdoors
- Make sure pets have plenty of fresh water every day
- Wear the appropriate safety protection when skate boarding, riding bikes, and other summer activities



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