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## New Mexico State Fair Contributes \$34,000 to Support Local Students

**ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.** – The New Mexico State Fair announced the payment of \$34,000 to 12 APS high schools and Miyamura High School in Gallup, N.M., for their volunteer efforts during the New Mexico State Fair.

"We are incredibly thankful for the hundreds of students who dedicated their time to the State Fair," said State Fair General Manager Dan Mourning. "The funds raised are a testament to the hard work and dedication of these students. The partnership is a win-win in that their efforts generated additional proceeds for their school organizations while benefiting the fair by complementing our workforce to improve the overall experience for visitors."

Over 630 students participated in the 2023 New Mexico State Fair as volunteers, helping to raise funds for various student organizations. According to organizers, student groups utilize the funds for travel to competitions, registration fees, purchasing gear and uniforms and more. A complete list of student organizations benefitting from the contributions is included below:

Manzano High School – Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program, Student Senate, Cheer Team, Culinary Program Albuquerque High School - Culinary Program, Career Enrichment Center, Practical Nursing Program Atrisco Heritage – AVID program, Marching Band Valley High School – JROTC La Cueva High School – Jr. Kiwanis Club Eldorado High School – DECA Program Volcano Vista High School – Robotics Club Highland High School – DECA Program Cibola High School – DECA Program Cibola High School – Cross Country Team, DECA Program Sandia High School – Dance Team, DECA Program eCADEMY Magnet High - Robotics Team Miyamura High School – JROTC