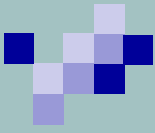


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# Microsoft Partners in Learning (PIL) Initiative

An Overview of the Partnership with the Northwest Regional Education Center #2

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### New Mexico PIL Goals:

- Create economic engines to expand job opportunities in the community.
- Catalyze shifts in the school culture, curriculum, and instruction in order to ready students for 21st Century Jobs.

## NM PIL: Vitalizing Rural Economic Opportunities in Filmmaking and Technology Through Schools

### Microsoft NM PIL Initiative

Based upon a focus on sustainability, the Microsoft/NM PIL initiative is seeking to advance long-term vision and goals of the state. The intent of Microsoft's investment is 3-fold:

- Digital Literacy for All Students
- An Educated, Competitive Workforce
- Greater Quality of Life for New Mexicans

To achieve these goals, the Microsoft NM PIL Partnership will serve as a facilitator for joint solutions while establishing a foundation upon which local, regional, and state projects can be sustained. Community-driven approaches that are replicable will also be established, enabling each project to be innovative and responsive to local needs, yet grounded in research-based and sound principles that have a successful track record, ensuring a high probability for local success.

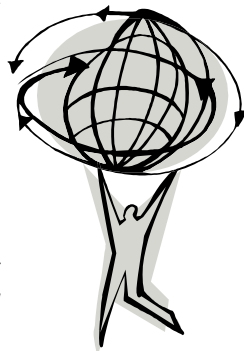
### 21st Century Vision

"To create economic engines for rural communities fueled by innovation and devise informed career, academic, economic, and educational choices for all students and their families."

### NWREC PIL Program: Student Film Technician Training

Introductory training will be provided for rural high school students in the 7 districts of the NWREC consortium. The training, focused on film and movie production, will be delivered through a combination of on-site education at professional facilities and long-distance classroom education provided by college and industry instructors. The instruction will help students develop and hone their technical skills, creating promising applicants who can pursue related employment opportunities in the growing New Mexico movie industry.

The NWREC PIL program is one of 4 programs selected in the state of NM, for their ability to clearly identify how they, together with the community, would use a technology and education solution to address an economic opportunity relevant to their community.



*"Sustainable economic vitality and quality of life of any area depend on a well-educated and engaged community"*  
-Anthony Salcito, Microsoft General Manager for U.S. Education

## A Breakdown

### Student Level Goals:

Students will benefit through the implementation of the models in their communities.

### School Level Goals:

Schools will increase their effectiveness in the short term by using the 21st Century career clustering and other resources offered by the state to link their students' schedules/academic programs to take advantage of available opportunities, resources, and expertise.

### Community Level Goals:

Community members and families of students will be informed about the range and type of programs available related to economic development for individuals and communities, and will use the NM PIL model as a blueprint for achieving the vision.



### State Innovation Partnerships

NM is one of 7 states that Microsoft has partnered with to provide investment funding for innovative solutions in education.

### Partners in Learning

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