

REENTRY PROGRAMMING

Approximately 95% of offenders will return to their communities following incarceration. With this fact in mind, education programs are provided to prepare for community reentry. These programs include:

- Project SOAR
- Pre-Release

LIBRARY SERVICES

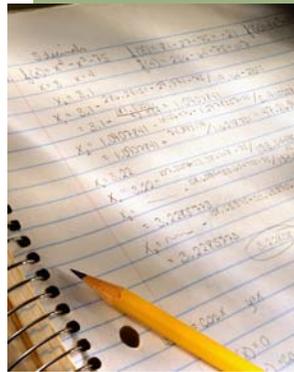
The Education Bureau also provides library services in all 10 prisons statewide. Library services include:

- Standard Library Access
- Legal Access
- Career Resource Center



America is the land of the second chance—and when the gates of the prison open, the path ahead should lead to a better life.

—George W. Bush



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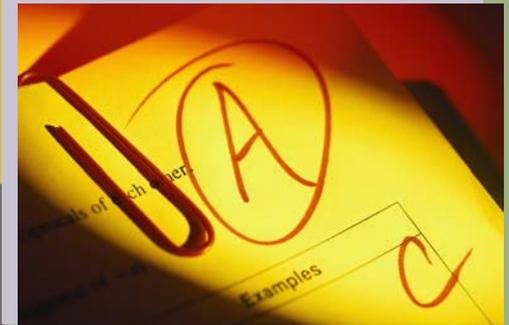
OUR MISSION

The Education Bureau is committed to providing quality educational and vocational programs and library services that will assist incarcerated individuals to become responsible members of the family, workforce, and community upon release. This is accomplished through teamwork, dedication, and collaboration with other departments, agencies, and the community at large.

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CORRECTIONS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

Corrections students have access to academic education courses much like community college students might encounter. Students who prepare for their GED can take the exams and receive their diploma during their prison stay. Academic courses include:

- Adult Basic Education
- GED Preparation
- English as a Second Language

Students with special education needs are served by certified Special Educators.



COGNITIVE EDUCATION

Corrections students face barriers that other students don't. Through cognitive education, they can address criminal thinking patterns and avoid making similar decisions in the future. Cognitive courses include:

- Breaking Barriers
- Moral Reconciliation Therapy®
- Bringing Peace to Relationships
- Charting A New Course
- Project ACT

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

Corrections students have access to post-secondary education through New Mexico community colleges. The courses are paid for through the federal Incarcerated Individuals Program Grant. Partnering colleges include:

- Eastern New Mexico University Roswell
- Mesalands Community College



VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Vocational courses are offered in growing career fields to assist corrections students in improving employment potential upon release. Vocation courses include:

- Automotive Service Excellence
- Carpentry
- Welding
- Auto CAD
- Introductory Network Cabling

FAMILY EDUCATION

Families divided by incarceration are in need of special care to remain stable. Corrections students can take courses in family skills to prepare for their release. They can also maintain contact through family literacy courses. In these courses, participants read to their children through audio/video media.