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Seven teachers from the Laboratory-supported Regional Partnership School (RPS) and Math Teacher Leader Network (MTLN) gathered on a video conferencing platform April 10 to present their final projects for their Instructional Leadership in Developing Mathematical Ideas course. The course is part of a new Master's degree in Educational Leadership (with a concentration in K-8 mathematics teacher leadership), created by a partnership between New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU), Pojoaque Valley School District (PVSD), and the Laboratory's Math and Science Academy. The teachers, from public schools in Pojoaque, Española, Cuba, and Los Alamos, are on track to get their Master's in 2021.

RDC announces 2020 TEAM Fund Recipients

The Regional Development Corporation (RDC) has announced the ten recipients of no-interest loans from its 2020 [Technology and Manufacturing Fund \(TEAM\) fund](#). The loans are available to technology-based and manufacturing companies in the RDC's seven-county service area, and aim to support growth-oriented companies that are on track to add jobs, grow revenues, and attract additional funding.

The recipients represent a range of businesses innovating in their industries, including green building, super foods, vineyards and breweries, and live streaming services. The [full list of recipients is available here](#).

Congressional Art Competition open for entrants

High school students from New Mexico's 3rd congressional district are invited to submit their artwork for the 2020 Congressional Art Competition, with the winning entry to be displayed in the United States Capitol. For the district, this year's theme is "Art Overcomes" and students should submit original artwork that reflects this theme. "In moments of crisis, we have often looked to the arts to bring us inspiration and hope for the future. I know the current public health crisis has changed the lives of many across our state, including students. But New Mexicans are resilient and we will meet this moment with strength," says Congressman Ben Ray Luján. [Details are here](#).

LANL Foundation's Jovanna Archuleta appointed Assistant Secretary for Native American Early Education and Care

Jovanna Archuleta has been appointed Assistant Secretary for Native American Early Education and Care at the New Mexico Early Childhood Education & Care Department (ECECD). Jovanna had been the early childhood Pueblo outreach coordinator at the LANL Foundation since 2017. Archuleta will help to shape her new position and the newly-formed department. While at the LANL Foundation she worked collaboratively with the Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council and its members to develop early childhood plans specific to each Pueblo, a project that was funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

Environment assessment of fiber optic line to Laboratory shows no significant impact

The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Los Alamos Field Office has prepared the final environmental assessment (EA) report, and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the construction and operation of a second fiber optic line to the Laboratory and Los Alamos County. The EA analyzed the potential environmental effects that could result from the proposal that would provide redundant voice, data, and internet services. Based on the analysis in the Final EA, NNSA has determined that a FONSI is appropriate and will proceed with the proposed action to construct a second fiber optic line.

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