



**SIEMBRA LEADERSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL**

February/March 2026

Spring Shark News!

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS:

**Roadrunner FEBRUARY
Distribution - February 25th,
at 10:30a.m.**

**FAMILY MOVIE AT THE
PUBLIC LIBRARY - The
Princess Bride, Free to the
Public!
Saturday, February 21, 2026
at 11a.m**

**Reflections of Learning
March 2nd - March 6th, 2026**

**Family Engagement Week -
March 9th - March 12th, 2026**

**SAT Testing - Thursday,
March 12th, 2026**



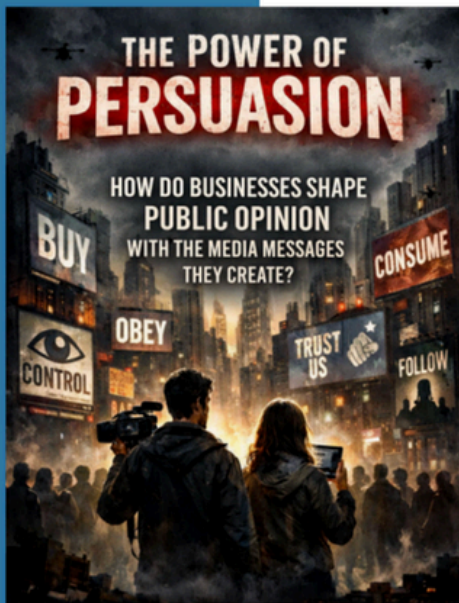
**Roadrunner MARCH
Distribution - March 18th,
10:30a.m.**

**Senior Trip - March 23rd -
March 27th**

**Spring Break NO SCHOOL -
March 30th - April 3rd**

CAPSTONE UPDATE

Our CAPSTONE classes are at the core of our Mission. Here's what our young Entrepreneurs are learning in this semester's CAPSTONE Projects:



9th Grade

Entrepreneurial Awareness & Mindset

The Power of Persuasion

- Driving Question: How do businesses shape public opinion with the media messages they create?

Overview:

- Students analyze informational and media texts to understand how messages influence audiences
- Aligned to CCR Anchor Standards and New Mexico ELA Standards (Reading, Writing, Speaking & Listening)
- Responds to I-Ready data indicating a need for increased informational text exposure
- Weekly formative assignments build critical literacy and communication skills
- Student Choice for May Exhibition (Choose One):
 - Brand Relaunch Pitch
 - Public Service-Style Business Ad
 - Influencer Marketing Simulation
- Prepares students for college, careers, and media-rich environments



10th Grade

Entrepreneurial Skills & Exploration

Business Communication

- Driving Question: How can we use resumes, interviews and public speaking to show who we are, what we can do, and how we are ready for the real world?

Overview:

- 10th Grade Capstone: From Classroom to Career
- Career-focused, project-based course preparing students for real-world professional and academic success
- Builds essential soft skills: communication, collaboration, professionalism, and workplace etiquette
- Explores business, profit, fashion, and personal presentation as tools for self-advocacy and career readiness
- Develops interviewing, public speaking, and professional writing skills
- Students complete resumes and cover letters aligned to workforce expectations
- May Capstone Experience: Courtroom Mock Trial
- Students apply communication, critical thinking, and presentation skills
- Present arguments publicly as active participants in real-world simulations



11th Grade

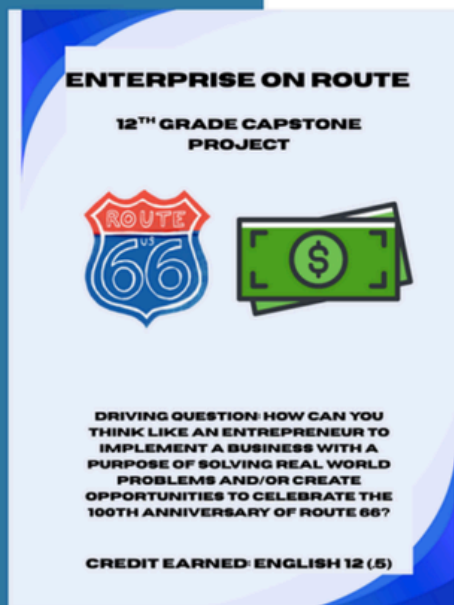
Venture Development & Leadership

Driving Question:

- How can students leverage the Route 66 Centennial Celebration to sell a product or service at the May 8 Artwalk?

Overview:

- Project-based, entrepreneurship-focused capstone centered on real-world product design, marketing, and sales
- Students collaboratively design and create Route 66-inspired souvenir products that promote Siembra LHS and appeal to both locals and tourists
- Emphasis on business planning, branding, cost analysis, and profit-driven decision-making
- Team-based product development for most students
- Solo business launches for students prepared to operate independent small businesses
- Production-to-Market Timeline: Ideation & prototyping → Cost analysis → Final design & purchasing → Production →
- Authentic Culmination: Students launch and sell products at the May 8 Artwalk, meeting real deadlines and engaging with a public audience



12th Grade

Launch, Impact & Career Readiness

Driving Question:

- How can you think like an entrepreneur to implement a business with a purpose of solving real world problems and/or create opportunities to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Route 66?

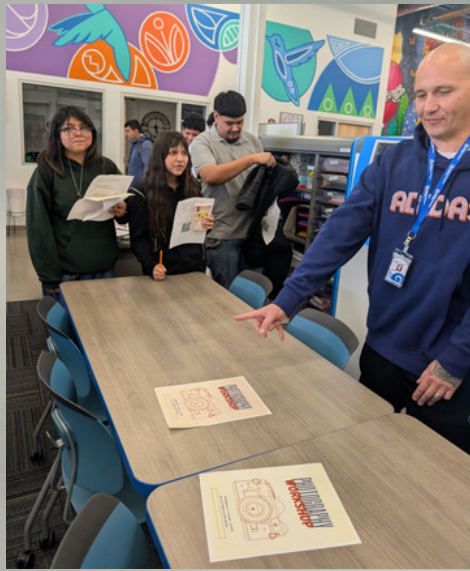
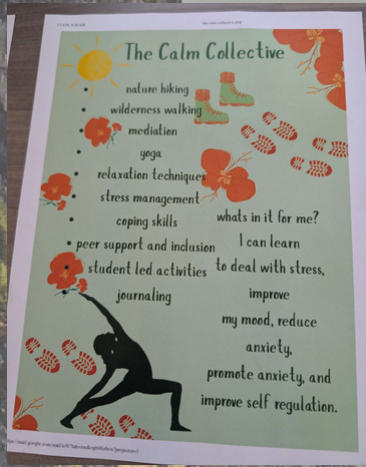
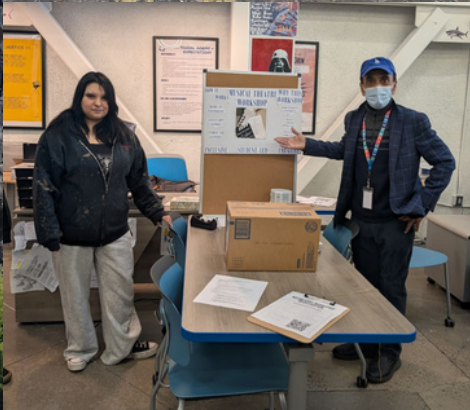
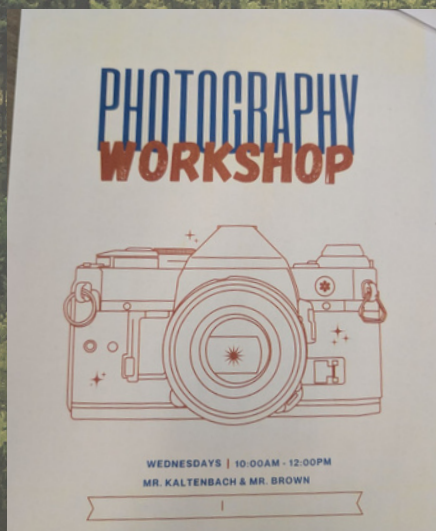
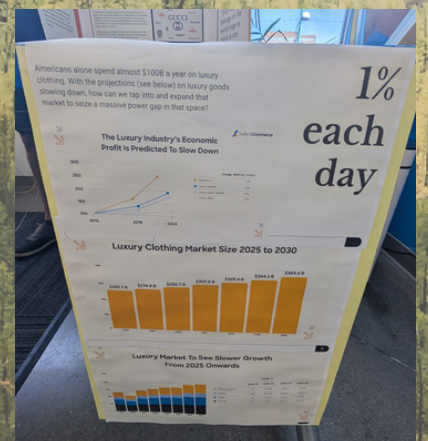
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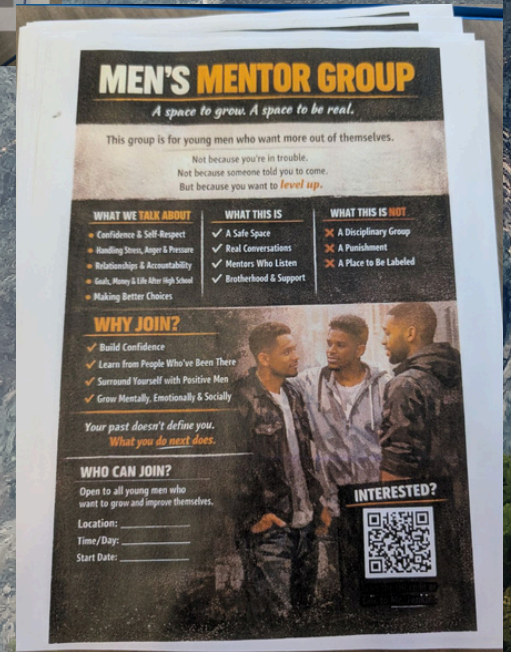
- Students explore and apply an entrepreneurial mindset through writing, research, reading, and speaking
- Focus on core traits: creativity, problem-solving, resilience, and adaptability
- Analyze real-world business scenarios to understand how entrepreneurs identify opportunities and navigate challenges
- Connect entrepreneurial thinking to launching and operating a fully functioning business
- Emphasis on strategic decision-making, innovation, and growth-oriented thinking
- Culminating Experience: Students operate their businesses during the Art Walk, applying skills in a real market environment

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS

Wednesday Workshops have been thriving at Siembra. Students have the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills, sharpen existing skills, work on self-growth, and more!

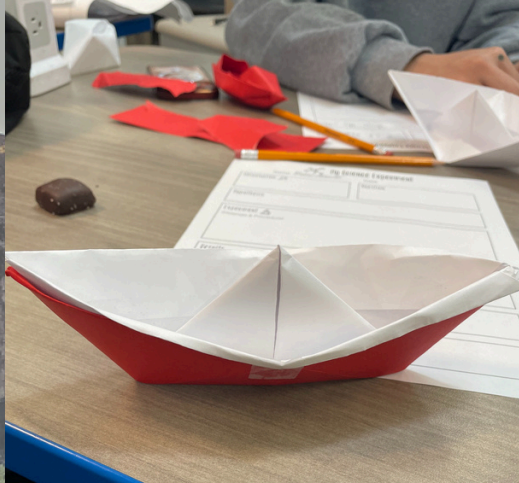
Here's what a Wednesday at Siembra looks like:



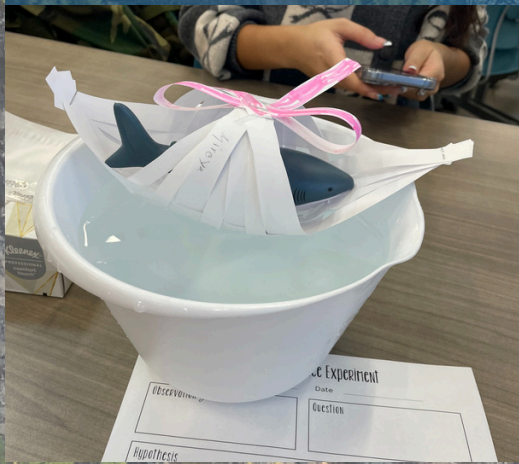




Sharktivities:



Learning about the Scientific Method with Mr. Arellano



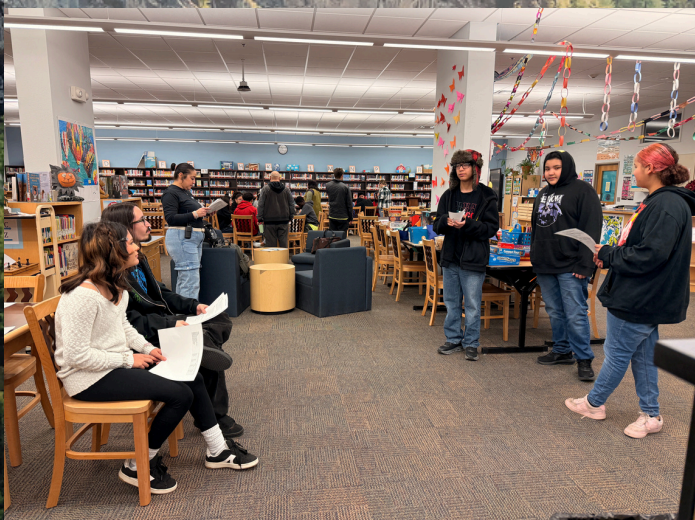
Siembra joining forces with Amy Biehl Towards Community Action!



OSHA 10 training at CNM Stemulus Center



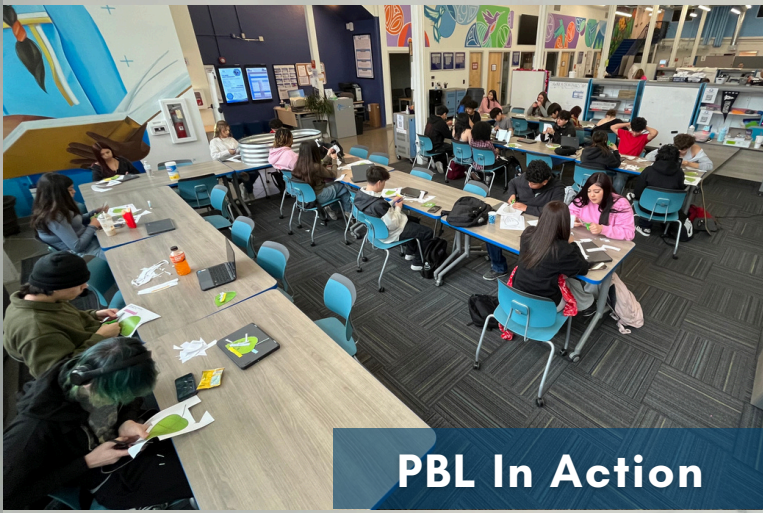
Our Sharks Basketball Team wrapped up an amazing season!



Two Siembra students sitting in as judges for a shark tank.



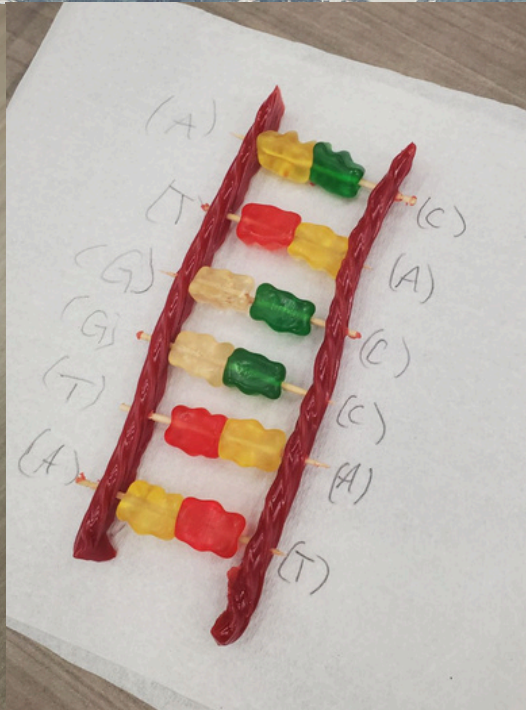
Our STEM Team Representing At The NM Governors STEM Challenge in Las Vegas at NMHU



PBL In Action



**Women's Empowerment
making Vision Boards!**



Maves' Night Students Learning About DNA.

**Our 2026 Spring semester is in full swing and
our young Entrepreneurs are staying busy!**

**Let's continue to lead into the new year with
enthusiasm, creativity and an entrepreneurial
spirit!**

'Til Next Time!