

**Esther Armijo, MSW, LCSW-P School Social Worker**, is a School Social Worker and Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW-P) committed to supporting the academic success, well-being, and mental health of students and families. As a native New Mexican, Esther brings deep cultural knowledge and community connection to their work, with a strong focus on educational access and mental health equity for youth across New Mexico.

Esther holds a Master of Social Work from New Mexico Highlands University and a Master of Arts in Latin American and Caribbean Studies from New York University. Their professional background includes clinical experience providing therapy to adolescents and adults, nonprofit leadership, and direct work with middle and high school students in an educational setting, where they taught leadership skills and provided mentorship.

A proud U.S. Army Veteran, Esther's service was distinguished by a commitment to fairness and equal treatment. Esther is a certified instructor in suicide prevention and brings that expertise to their work supporting student mental health. They are also a former El Puente de Encuentros fellow and currently serve on the board of the Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico.

Esther is dedicated to creating a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment where every student can thrive.