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### **Governor Bill Richardson to tour innovative, High-Tech Charter school in San Diego**

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson will join leaders from the University of New Mexico, including President Louis Caldera and charter school leaders from Albuquerque, during a tour of High Tech High - a nationally recognized charter school in San Diego that served as a model for a similar school in Albuquerque.

“Our challenges in education are not simple. The solutions and answers are not either,” Governor Bill Richardson said. “So we must take a collaborative approach—engaging business and community leaders to tackle the problems we encounter in education.

“High Tech High is a great example of this approach. And I’m eager to learn more about the opportunities it can bring to our state and to our young people.”

Albuquerque’s High Tech High was founded in 2004 as an affiliate of the San Diego Charter school. The high school in Albuquerque, which recently partnered with UNM, will be located near the university and offer an accelerated curriculum, which will prepare all enrolled students for successful college careers.

Educators and business leaders designed San Diego’s High Tech High, which boosters describe as one of the most ethnically diverse campuses in the San Diego region, as a small, college-preparatory school that emphasizes project-based learning. All students are assigned personal advisors and are required to participate in internships.

In addition to UNM officials, representatives of Albuquerque’s High Tech High, including board members Ginger Richardson and Bob Walton, School Director Robin Troup and Stephani Treadwell, director of technology and special education, will also join Governor Richardson.

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