

Education



Elementary School



Middle School



Laptop computers in the classroom



AppleTree Educational Center



New Hot Springs High School

Truth or Consequences is home to three elementary schools, a middle school and a new public high school. Here teachers know every student, ensuring personal attention is the rule rather than the exception. Truth or Consequences' schools play an important role in local events. Many parents are active with their child's school activities.

Sierra County's schools continue to win awards for scholastic achievement. The 2003 Baldrige Quality Achievement Award was presented to the three elementary schools and the Arrey middle school. In addition to the "Character Counts Program" sponsored by the ROTC, the local high school has received national recognition for its agriculture program. The program has recently been nationally ranked, finishing in the top 5 in land programs and in the top 20 in pasture programs.

Sierra County continues to improve the quality of education available to students. The new Hot Springs High School opened its doors in 2006. The greatly expanded facility includes a huge gymnasium and roomy classrooms. The high school offers students a variety of college courses. Future plans include a performing arts center.

AppleTree Educational Center, Sierra County's premier early childhood provider, offers nationally accredited care for children birth through 13 years old. The full time year 'round program has been recognized as in the top 1% of care in New Mexico. Small classroom size, individualized curriculum, and combined age groups enable each student's learning style to be met. Caring, qualified staff work with families to create an environment designed for success. Scholarships and tuition assistance are available.

The Gardner Learning Center partners with Western New Mexico University offering adult education classes. The school is an excellent local resource for those wishing to expand professional skills or do continuing education programs.

Four-year colleges in the area include New Mexico State University in Las Cruces and New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in Socorro. Silver City, west of Sierra County, is home to Western New Mexico University's main campus. Albuquerque, north of Truth or Consequences, is home to the University of New Mexico.

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