



The STARS Steering Committee  
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)  
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To members of the STARS Steering Committee,

It is with great pride that I endorse Central New Mexico Community College's achievement of a STARS rating developed by AASHE. These efforts reflect deep dedication on behalf of the CNM community to sustainability on campus and to our ongoing efforts to strengthen environmental, social and economic sustainability.

Achievements like STARS ratings demonstrates the approaches that CNM undertakes to ensure student success, community success, organizational excellence and innovation. We look forward to the ongoing use of STARS as a platform to strengthen the college's comprehensive sustainability efforts and to support our goal of transforming our campus into a living laboratory.

I am proud of the concerted effort that has led CNM to achieve a higher rating under STARS in 2016, than what we achieved in 2014. I am honored that we will maintain our silver rating in 2019. At the same time, all of us at CNM acknowledge that there is much more work to be done. We believe STARS tool is a valuable metric in not only accounting for the progress that's been made here at CNM, but also as a way to highlight pathways for improvement.

Sincerely,



Kathie Winograd  
President