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**MIND RESEARCH NETWORK, NEW MEXICO MESA**  
**SCORE FOR NEW MEXICO EDUCATORS**  
*SCORE – Scientific Collaboration on Research in Education*

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM** – Albuquerque’s Mind Research Network (MRN), a world-renowned neuroimaging research facility, and NM MESA (New Mexico Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement) announce plans for their spring 2009 *SCORE* series for educators. This is the second year that the series has taken place.

*SCORE* (a Scientific Collaboration on Research in Education) is a free, three-part professional development series that will provide New Mexico educators with information on neuroscience discoveries that can be incorporated into the classroom.

All three sessions will be held in one of the most advanced neuroscience facilities in the world, the Mind Research Network, 1101 Yale NE on UNM North Campus. Attendees will be encouraged to discuss educator challenges and successes with peers in attendance and presenters. Individuals may attend a single session or all three.

Mike Weisend, Ph.D., director of the MEG Core at MRN is *SCORE*’s lead presenter. Weisend earned his Ph.D. in Behavioral Neuroscience at UNM in 1997 and trained as a clinical neurophysiologist at the Veteran’s Administration in Albuquerque. Other experts will join Weisend for each session.

- ***SCORE* Session I – Learning Disorders**  
Thursday, February 19, 5 - 8 p.m.  
Includes Open House-Networking session (5-6 p.m.), and introduction to MRN and MESA
- ***SCORE* Session II – Effects of Substance Abuse on the Brain**  
Thursday, March 19, 6 - 8 p.m.
- ***SCORE* Session III – Brain-Based Learning: Fact or Fiction**  
Thursday, April 16, 6 - 8 p.m.

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The seminars are free, but registration deadline is February 13. Space is limited to 50 total attendees on a first-come/first-serve basis. Interested individuals can register via NM MESA's website at [www.nmmesa.org](http://www.nmmesa.org) or by contacting Julie Cervantes at 505/366-2510 or [jcervantes@nmmesa.org](mailto:jcervantes@nmmesa.org).

### **About MRN**

The Mind Research Network is a nucleus of preeminent neuroscientists who are dedicated to the discovery and advancement of clinical solutions for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of mental illness and brain disorders. MRN integrates state-of-the-art imaging, modern genetics capabilities and progressive informatics processes in its translational research efforts. For information on the Mind Research Network, please call 505/272-5028 or visit [www.mrn.org](http://www.mrn.org).

### **About NM MESA**

New Mexico Mathematics, Engineering Science Achievement (NM MESA), Inc., is a non-profit organization whose mission is to empower and motivate New Mexico's culturally diverse students with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) enrichment. NM MESA, in partnership with schools and universities, prepares pre-college students for college and careers in mathematics, engineering, science and related fields. For more information on NM MESA, please call 505/366-2500, toll-free 800/544-2617, or visit [www.nmmesa.org](http://www.nmmesa.org).