



Parent News

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School Theme:

Grateful Hearts, Serving Hands

*In all our living may we show that we are thankful to
God for all He has done for us and may He be
praised through us.*

Heidelberg Catechism - Answer 86

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/10-3/14** Boys and Girls State Playoffs
- 3/15** 6:30pm Dordt College Band at Rehoboth Church
- 3/16-3/17** NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conference
- 3/21** 10:00am Open House for new Applicants
- 3/23** 7:00pm Mid-School Band Concert
7:00pm Finance Committee Meeting in the
Board Room.

OPEN HOUSE

For New Applicants

March 21, 2009

At the Fellowship Hall

10:00am-1:00pm

INS AND OUTS

Basketball and Budgets

All of us who are Rehoboth basketball fans are still licking our wounds. To see our boys eliminated yesterday was a bitter pill to swallow. So too, our girls last week. In our gut, we feel like we should yet be playing.

But we got beat, and now the question, how do we respond in the face of disappointment and struggle. Yesterday, I was touch after the game by the number of fans and family greeting out kids and coaches with hugs and tears and thanks for their hard work. There was a lot of love in the lobby. That is the way it is supposed to be.

More broadly, I am so grateful for our ever-growing fan base. Old-timers and alumni are showing up for our games. People from other schools are coming to support us. Our parents and students and extended families are more engaged than ever. This is wholesome—and even more so when we stick together in victory or defeat, still caring for each other and knowing that we are part of a great school family and community called Rehoboth Christian School.

All of this is a picture of what also needs to happen regarding our financial challenges this year and next. We are facing a tougher opponent than Mesa Vista or Navajo Prep. And like any good team or family, we will need to stick together and pull for each other, each doing their part to come out on top.

In that spirit, we passed a budget at the Annual Association meeting that is going to hit all of us in some way. Our staff is not getting a cost of living increase, and they have accepted with a good spirit. We are very thankful. We will be raising our tuition 3.6% for those not receiving financial aide. Our medical insurance will go up about 8%. We are cutting all other expenses by 10%. In short, everyone will need to sacrifice for us to remain a strong and excellent school.

Grateful Hearts, Serving Hands

How do we make this happen? With the same kind of love and loyalty that occurred in that arena and lobby yesterday. We all cheer for each other, encourage each other; give each other a hand, each doing our part.

And we remember that the God of the universe will watch over us, and bless us, especially if we trust Him. Let us stick together as His people who have been called to invest in a different kind of education for our children, a Christian education. What could be more important? I pray the words of the song we often sing—**Bind us together Lord...with cords that can not be broken!** That makes for great teams and a great school!

Ron Polinder, Executive Director

ELEMENTARY EVENTS

Parent / Teacher Conferences – We are looking forward to meeting with parents at conference time on **March 16 or 17**. **Report cards** will be sent home on Friday with your child IF we have school. **If we do not have school because of the state basketball game, report cards will be handed out at conference times.**

Book Fair – The Scholastic Book Fair will again be at the elementary / middle school on March 16 and 17 during parent / teacher conferences. This fair will feature buy one book and get another free. We need parent helpers to assist during those nights and also to help set up and take down. Please call Kim Dykstra, our school librarian, (726-9694) to let her know if you can help!! Thank you!

CTBS standardized testing – CTBS tests will be given to students in grades 3 – 8 starting from March 24 through March 30. These are not tests students can study for but we encourage good breakfasts during this week as well as plenty of sleep so students will perform their best. Please encourage your children to not be anxious but to try their best.

Jim Holwerda, Elementary Principal

Middle School Matters

Parent Teacher Conferences

We will be having Conferences on March 16 & 17 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. On those days, there will be no school. At the middle school, we have families sign up for one-hour time slots. During this hour, we will schedule about 10-12 families to rotate between the teachers. You should have received a sign-up slip – please have that back on Friday, March 6th so that we can begin to assign time slots. Those turned in on time will be assigned times first.

MS Track Meets

We have been invited to three track meets at this point. Please put these dates on your calendars:

March 19 – Crownpoint

April 17 – Zuni

April 23 – Ramah

If you have any other questions regarding MS track, please contact Coach Jeff Engbers or Coach Andy Stravers.

Carol Bremer-Bennett, Mid School Principal

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Reminder Attendance is very important factor for success in school and we at Rehoboth take it very seriously. At the high school we have a policy that if a student exceeds 10 absences in a class in a semester, he/she is in danger of losing credit for that class. Please check the policy in the Student-Parent Handbook that was sent home at the beginning of the year and help us by making sure that students only miss school for illness or very important appointments. Thank you.

Report Cards Third quarter report cards will be available for parents to pick up at the Parent-Teacher Conferences that will be held in the Kuipers Gym from 5:00-8:00 on March 16 and 17.

No School There will be no school on March 16 and 17 to give teachers time to prepare for the Parent-Teacher conferences and to attend an in-service.

Dates to Remember

March 21: Open House for New Applicants in the Fellowship Hall

March 30-April 3: SAC Week

April 6-10: Spring Break

April 20: Mid-Quarter Progress Reports

April 24: Junior-Senior Banquet

Dee Logterman, High School Principal

Business Office News:

Parents of Seniors

This is a reminder that all tuition must be paid off before transcripts are sent off to colleges or scholarship offices. If you have any questions, please feel free to call your tuition advisor.

Thank you.

Jeff Banaszak, Director of Finance & Operations



Music Notes

The Dordt College Chamber Orchestra and Concert Band from Sioux Center, Iowa

Will present a concert at 6:30 p.m. on March 15, 2009, in the Rehoboth Christian Reformed Church, 30 Tse Yaaniichii Lane, Rehoboth, NM. This concert is part of an eight-state tour, with performances scheduled in Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Utah, South Dakota and Iowa. Dordt College's band and orchestra are under the direction of Bradely Miedema. The program for the evening includes a wide range of styles, ranging from a concerto and symphony to folk tunes, marches, a patriotic tune, and even a polka. Admission to the concert is free, with a free-will offering being received to help defray tour expenses.

Colorado Christian University Band

Is having a free concert, featuring the CCU wind Ensemble (symphonic band) and "Mainstream" (big band jazz) at Rehoboth Church on Rehoboth Christian School campus. The concert is at 7:30pm at Rehoboth Church. Donation will be accepted for the CCU School of Music. Please call (505) 453-5138 for further information.

Mark your calendar

The Rehoboth High School Choir two musical events of this semester:

Sunday, April 26, 4:00 pm- a celebration of the risen Christ!

Wednesday, May 13, Malt Shoppe 7:00 pm

Both at the Rehoboth Church

Transportation Tips

The bus circle behind the middle school is reserved only for busses. Please no parent pick-ups or drop-offs in this area. Individual cars driving around the school busses can create a safety hazard.

If a parent misses a bus pick-up time in the morning, please drive to the next bus stop to have your children picked up. The bus can not stop on any roads in-between bus stops to let kids on the bus. This creates a potential unsafe situation for all the children on the bus.

All School Announcements:

Rehoboth Early Childhood Center

Rehoboth is starting a Pre-K this fall. You can contact the Admissions Office to get your name on the list to receive an application packet. The application for the Pre-K is still in the process



of completion. Our Pre-K program is for 4 years old by September 1, 2009.

Library News:

The Scholastic Book Fair will take place next Monday and Tuesday in the Elementary Big room during conferences. I am looking for volunteers to help me run the book fair from 4-8 on Monday and 3-7 on Tuesday. I am also looking for assistance in setting up the book fair this weekend and taking it down on Tuesday evening or sometime Wednesday. Please contact me at 505-726-9694 or email me at kdykstra@rcsnm.org if you can help out in any way.

Ms. Kim Dykstra, Librarian



DRIVERS EDUCATION CLASS!

A drivers training class is scheduled after school for Rehoboth students needing to take a drivers education class in order to receive their driving permit. The teacher is Jim Larrabee from Gallup High School. The schedule will be as follows:

March 9 (Monday) through March 25 each week day from 3:30 – 5:30

April 13 (Monday) through April 17 also 3:30 – 5:30

Sing up in the counseling office or the HS office and the cost is \$100.00 paid in advance to either Mrs Begaye or Mr. Tamminga.

WANTED!

Volunteers to help out in the Development office. Please call Abbie Huizinga at 505-726-9603 if you are willing to volunteer for a few hours.

Menu for Breakfast and Lunch for 03/16 to 03/20

Date	Breakfast	Lunch
03/16/09 Monday	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL

03/17/09 Tuesday	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
03/18/09 Wednesday	Breakfast Burrito, juice, milk	Chicken Pot Pie, bread, veggies w/dip, milk, fruit
03/19/09 Thursday	No Breakfast	Lasagna, tossed salad, French bread, fruit, milk
03/20/09 Friday	Assorted Muffins, juice, milk	Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, cheese, fries, fruit, milk

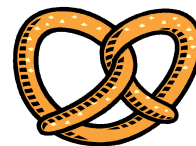
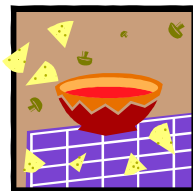
Sports Schedule

Sport Date /Time	Home/ Away	Opponent
3/10-3/14 Boys & Girls Basketball	TBA	State Playoffs
3/14 Track & Field	AWAY	Grants Invite
3/14 11:00am Tennis	AWAY	Waldorf
3/17 3:00pm Softball	AWAY	Miyamura HS
3/19 2:30pm Tennis	AWAY	Miyamura HS
3/20-3/21 TBA Softball	AWAY	Softball Tournament at Grants
3/21 10:00am Tennis	AWAY	Hope

THANK YOU!

Mark and Julie Briggs
Ophelia Milford
John & Ruth Klien
Sonny & Rebecca Gene
Stuart & Kim Francisco
Gilbert Yazzie
James & Kim Rich
Lisa Yazzie
Carl & Vernice Smith
Donovan Yazzie
Lois Harvey
Walt Eddy

Milroy Vandever
Vickie Olson
Al Charles
Ruth Pinto
John & Emily Lee
Melinda Golden
Hubert & Tanya Smith
Larry & Diane Yazzie
Gloria Dennison
Lorenda Belone
Adrian Benally



for your consistent help in the concession stand
and with donations

SUPPORT YOUR SENIORS!

eat a taco, fill your stomach, help the Seniors finish off the year w/ a great class trip!

stimulate the economy! "Bail-Out" the seniors!!!



all-new BUDGET-FRIENDLY prices: \$5 for a dinner including: taco, drink, dessert! \$2 for a kids/half size dinner, \$1 for frybread!!

MONDAY MARCH 16 4:15 TO 7:00