



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

10/3 4:00pm Fall Carnival

10/6 7:00pm HS Band Concert at the Rehoboth
Church

10/11 7:00am Leonard Long Memorial Fun Run

Fall Carnival & Navajo Taco Dinner

Tomorrow - Oct. 3rd

Come and eat, play games, buy baked
goods and have lots of fun!

Pre-Sale Carnival Tickets 5 for \$1.00
at the Admin. Building

INS AND OUTS

At Rehoboth Christian School we have developed a process of evaluating our curriculum based on the rotation set up by the state to replace textbooks. This year one main curricular focus for us is **Reading**. Research tells us the five main areas of reading include phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension.

Reading in our world is at the heart of learning, so we have the desire and passion here at Rehoboth to teach it well. We are constantly evaluating how we can teach kids reading and language skills so the doors of other subject areas are opened. Our F.A.S.T. program at the elementary school has a strong phonics based approach and uses many modalities to help students catch the rules of decoding and encoding words to help them in their reading and spelling of words. Guided reading in each classroom focuses on the comprehension piece through developing fluency and vocabulary through reading good literature. Our Daily Dose program puts readable books in students' hands every night for practice at home. We are also blessed to have professionals and volunteers on a daily basis who help students who struggle with reading. But research tells us that with all we do here at school, the most influential piece to reading success happens at home. Parents reading to children and with children at home, having a house full of engaging books, and parents modeling reading themselves tells children that reading is rewarding and valuable.

Ms. Dykstra, our media specialist, started a program called Reading Rendezvous for our 2nd

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through 5th graders which promotes the love and satisfaction of reading as many books as possible within a multiple week time span. We keep working hard at bridging that span of reading being a mechanical skill to the love of reading, getting lost in a story, and the feeling of not being able to wait to pick up a book to “find out what will happen”. I heard recently someone explain that there is a voice inside each book. The author through the art of story can tell us about life and living. God has given us the gift of words and one way we celebrate that gift is to read and learn about others and God’s creation. We celebrate by traveling to different worlds through the pages of a book.

So as we here at Rehoboth focus on our Reading curriculum, we invite you to refocus on the importance of books and reading in your home. Let’s teach our children reading is a wonderful gift. Happy reading!!

Jim Holwerda, Elementary Principal

ELEMENTARY EVENTS

TEAMS – We are excited again this year to be building relationships among our elementary students by participating in our TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More) groups. Our 8 multi age “TEAMS” consist of students from each grade K – 5. Our TEAMS meet once a month to do activities which require them to work together so they get to know students from other grades. Activities include such things as “cooking”, making thank-you cards, recycling, scavenger hunts etc. Colorful **T-Shirts** are being made for each student reflecting our Theme this year of “Thankful Hearts, Helping Hands” and will be passed out in TEAM groups in the near future. We are asking each student to bring in \$3.00 to cover part of the cost of the t-shirt, if possible. The money can be brought to their classroom teacher by October 17.

Parent / Teacher Conferences – P/T conferences will be held on October 27 and 28. More information will be coming home in the coming weeks.

Heritage Week – The elementary school will be celebrating Heritage Week the week of October 13 – 17. Could you share a favorite ethnic food, song or

dance etc? Look for the flyer coming home soon which will tell of the many fun events of the week here at school and how you can help!!

Jim Holwerda, Elementary Principal

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATTERS

Middle School Sports

10/9 4:30pm Soccer HOME w/Wingate

10/9 5:00pm Volleyball HOME w/Wingate

10/16 4:00pm Volleyball HOME w/Ramah

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

A Big Rehoboth Thank You! Thanks to the following people whose donations of time, effort and supplies made a big difference in increasing last week’s concession stand sales profit. All contributions made to the success of the Concession Stand help our entire athletic program to grow and achieve.

Thanks to:

Mark Briggs for bringing all his grilling equipment and grilling the burgers;

Julie Briggs for donating all the food for the Frito Pies and made dough and frybread;

Trudy Baca for making dough and frybread;

Vernice Smith for making dough and frybread;

Lisa Fowler for making frybread;

Melroy Vandever for working in the concession stand;

Ophelia Milford for working in the concession stand;

Lisa Fowler for making Frybread.

If you would like to contribute in any way, please contact Nicole Hawthorne at 726-9607.

Progress Reports You should have gotten your child’s progress report by now. We apologize for your receiving them so late but problems with our

computer system prevented us from getting them out earlier. If you have any questions regarding your son or daughter's report, please feel free to contact our teachers by email or phone. If you have not received the progress report, please contact Mrs. Begaye at 726-9632.

Reminder When your son/daughter has been absent, please make sure that you send a note with them when they return to school. Without the note we have to count the absence as unexcused and your child will have to serve a detention for every unexcused period missed. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendar

October 3: Fall Carnival and Navajo Taco Dinner, 4:00 PM

October 6: Band Concert, 7:00 PM, Rehoboth Church

October 17: End of the First Quarter

October 27-28: Parent-Teacher Conferences, NO SCHOOL

Looking Ahead

October 4 Debate tournament at Rio Grande High School

October 17 End of First Quarter marking period

October 27-28 Parent-Teacher Conferences (No School)

November 6 School Picture Re-Takes

Dee Logterman, High School Principal

College Corner

Seniors, we have a number of college representatives coming in the near future. Here are the ones we have scheduled so far:

Oct 9 Thursday at 1:00 Calvin College and Michigan State during advisory

Oct 16 Thursday at 1:00 Gallup UNM speaking on financial aid during advisory

Oct 21 Tuesday at 1:00 University of Arizona (sign up in the counseling office)

Oct 23 Thursday at 1:00 St Johns, Yale and Whitman colleges during advisory

Oct 24 Friday at noon Dordt College (Sign up in the counseling office)

Oct 30 Thursday at 1:00 NMSU and ASU during advisory

Nov. 06 Thursday at 1:00 UNM main campus

There is a College Fair in Albuquerque on Oct. 5, Sunday noon to 3:00pm at the Convention Center, 401 Second St., NW. Over 200 colleges will be represented.

Also, there is a Christian College Fair again this year at Hope High School in Albuquerque on Monday, Oct 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. We will not be going as a school, so if you are interested make your own arrangements with classmates.

Business Office

By now you should have **paid three payments** on your tuition accounts. You still have time before your account gets too far behind.

The tuition committee will be meeting on past due accounts and will be sending out letters to those that are past due. Please do not disrupt your student's attendance because of past due tuition. We do not like taking children out of class. If you have not called your tuition advisor about your past due account, please do so today! We can help you set up an agreement that works best for you.

Thank you – Business Office

Admissions & Registrar

NEED A SCHOLARSHIP?

In addition to the Rehoboth scholarships that were provided to many families at the beginning of the year, we have scholarships available to qualifying students.

Applications are available at the Elementary/Middle and High School Offices. Please return completed applications to Lorretta Smith by **Friday, November 7, 2008.**

Lighthouse Scholarship - Four scholarships of \$500 each. Students from Christian Reformed

Church background, financial need, Christian character, and leadership potential. Preference given to families from outlying areas (students from Window Rock, Zuni, Crownpoint, Tohatchi, Tohlokai, and Newcomb should apply). Written essay and **Pastor's report** are required.

Visscher Scholarship – Three scholarships of \$500 each are available for High School students, Native American, financial need, interested in the sciences, and Christian commitment. An essay is required.

Olson Scholarship – Three scholarships of \$500 each are available for Elementary and Middle school students. Native American, financial need, and demonstrate appreciation for Christian education. Preference is given to families with more than one child at RCS. Written essay and **Pastor's report** are required.

Polinder Scholarship – Two scholarships of \$250 are available for Elementary, Middle and High school students who demonstrate outstanding scholastic work and have an appreciation for Christian education. An essay is required.

Lauber Scholarship - Three scholarships of \$500.00 each are available for Elementary, Middle and High school students. This scholarship is given by Chee's Indian Store. Preference is given to families from the I-40 West District and students from outlying areas. Written essay and **Pastor's report** are required..

All School Announcements:

Fall Carnival: You do NOT want to miss the Fall Carnival tomorrow, October 3.

The carnival will be located in the Keith Kuipers Gym from 4:00-8:00 pm. Games, prizes, and bake sales. You will have a great time!

A Navajo Taco Dinner \$6.00 for full and \$4.00 for half - will take place in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00-7:00 pm.

How can you help?

1. Come to the Carnival and Navajo Taco Dinner. Invite some friends!
2. Donate to the cakewalk and/or bake sale! Baked goods can be brought to the High School any time on October 3

The proceeds from this event go towards the Music Department (Bands and Choirs) of Rehoboth School.

Pre-Sale Carnival Tickets 5 for \$1.00

Tickets are available at the Administration Building with Nicole. Elementary and Mid School students may see Sharon Jim to get their tickets. Note that Elem. /Mid School students will not receive their tickets until Friday morning.

FAMILY DIRECTORIES!

The 2008-2009 Family/Student Directories have been completed and distributed. We create this school directory with the hope that it will be a valuable tool to enhance better communication between your home and other homes and between your home and your school. We provide one directory for each family. If you have not received one (from your youngest or only child), please contact the building secretary where your child attends.



In order to save money on paper and because sports schedules change during the course of the year, we have chosen to not print those schedules this year. Please follow the weekly *Parent News* or go to the School Calendar on the Rehoboth website (www.rcsn.org) for updated events.

With the amount of information that goes into this booklet, there will surely be mistakes. We apologize in advance for any error that might appear. Our goal is to have our information as accurate as possible, so please inform us immediately of address and telephone number changes that might be wrong now or that occur during the school year.

Thank you

Colleen Polinder 863-4412 x109

High School Band

We would like to invite you to our fall concert October 6th. The concert will take place at the Rehoboth CRC at 7pm. There will be a band

parent meeting following the concert to talk about the band tour later this year.

Menu for Breakfast and Lunch for 10/06 to 10/10

Date	Breakfast	Lunch
10/06/08 Monday	Pizza Pocket, juice, milk	Burritos, tossed salad, Spanish rice, fruit, milk
10/07/08 Tuesday	Apple or Cherry turnover, juice, milk	Sloppy Joes, fries, fruit, milk
10/08/08 Wednesday	Assorted Muffins, milk, juice	Beef Stew, tossed salad, biscuits, fruit, milk
10/09/08 Thursday	No Breakfast	BBQ or Hot Wings, mashed potatoes, veggies, fruit, milk, bread
10/10/08 Friday	Breakfast Burrito, juice, milk	Pizza, tossed salad, fruit, milk

Frybread Sale at the Boys and Girls Soccer game today and on Saturday. Please come out and support our Soccer program.

Sports Schedule

SOCCER 10/2/08 3:00pm	Boys & Girls V w/ Miyamura at HOME
VOLLEYBALL 10/3/8 5:00pm	Girls JV & V w/ TseYiGai at HOME
CROSS COUNTRY 10/04 10:00am	Boys & Girls at Gallup High School
SOCCER 10/4 11:00am	Boys V & Girls V at HOME w/Grants
SOCCER 10/07 3:00pm	Boys JV & V at Bloomfield
VOLLEYBALL 10/07 4:00pm	Girls C, JV, V at Navajo Pine
SOCCER 10/07 4:00pm	Girls V HOME w/Bloomfield
SOCCER 10/09 4:00pm	Girls V at East Mountain HS
SOCCER 10/07 3:00pm	Boys JV & V at Farmington HS

Rehoboth Christian School Phonathon 2008-2009

Who are we looking for?

RCS students, parents, and alumni to be Phonathon Callers



When?

Training for all Phonathon Callers will be on Monday, Oct. 13. We will start calling supporters on Tuesday, the 14th. Phonathon Callers call from 3:30-7:00 on Mondays through Thursdays.

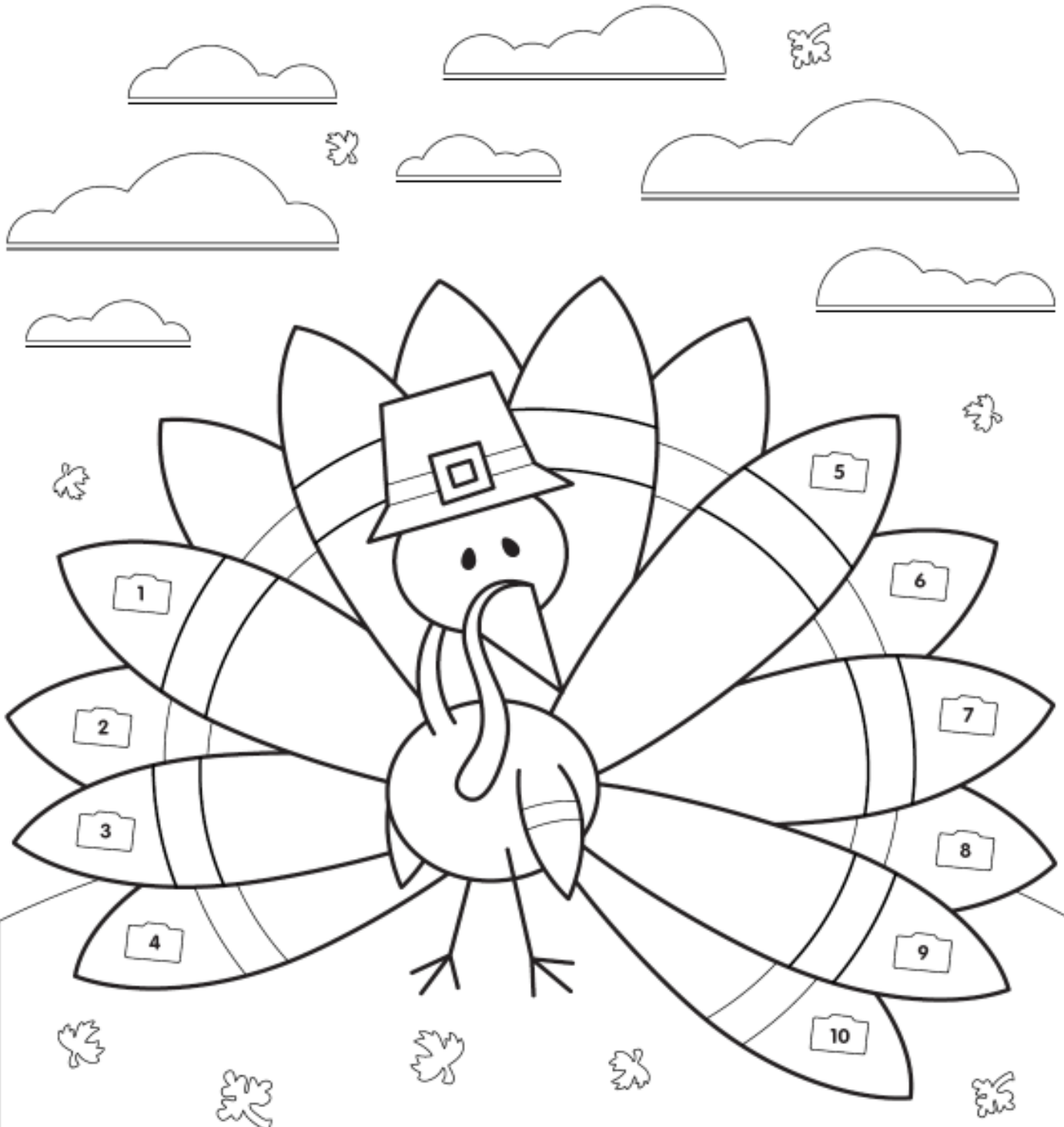
What will you do?

- Call supporters and update them on Rehoboth Christian School
- Ask supporters for a financial gift to help maintain and expand facilities and programs
- Earn \$7 per hour, plus incentives OR \$10 per hour in tuition relief!

If you are interested, stop by the Administration Building for an application!!



It's turkey time! Show your school how thankful you are with 10 Box Tops.

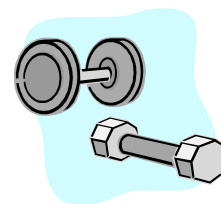


Name

Grade

Teacher's Name

Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
For more collection worksheets and projects, go to www.boxtops4education.com/activitycenter



Fitness Center Opening to the Public!

The Rehoboth Sport and Fitness Center is now open. We are open for people to workout at a low cost and with limited hours. We may consider opening for additional hours if we have enough of a demand. The schedule will be as follows:

Monday	6:00a-8:00a	7:00p-9:00p
Wednesday	6:00a-8:00a	7:00p-9:00p
Friday	6:00a-8:00a	-----

The cost will be as follows:

- free for students, Rehoboth Staff, and Rehoboth Staff Immediate Family,
- \$1/visit for parents of Rehoboth Students (14 visits for \$10),
- \$3/visit for all others (14 visits for \$30)

We encourage the parents to use the fitness center during these hours, although we will still have people in there during the week if need be. If you would like to use the fitness center at another time that it is open and you are a parent, please call/email Jeff Engbers at 726-9629 / jengbers@rcsnm.org .





Fall Carnival



Grab Bags

October 3rd



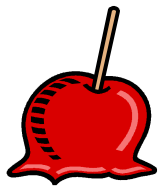
The carnival will be located in the
Keith Kuipers Gym from
4:00-8:00 pm.



Navajo Taco Sale 5pm - 7pm
\$6.00 for Whole
\$4.00 for Half

Cake Walk

**Bake
sale**



Games