Last night’s High School Christmas Concert was entitled the Work of Christmas based on a poem of Howard Thurman. I end this semester with a reminder to myself and to all of us that the work has begun! Let us support each other in our callings as citizens of God’s Kingdom.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,

The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations
To bring peace among brothers.
To make music from the heart.

Bob Ippel

Rehoboth Christian School Executive Director
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Upcoming Events

- Friday, December 15 - Tuesday, January 2, 2024 - NO SCHOOL Christmas Break  
- Wednesday, January 3, 2024 - Classes resume (2nd semester)

All School Announcements

Administration Office Hours
OPEN - Monday, December 18 - Thursday, December 21 from 8:00am - 4:00pm.  
CLOSED - Friday, December 22 - Tuesday December 26  
OPEN - Wednesday, December 27 - Thursday, December 28 from 8:00am - 4:00pm.  
CLOSED - Friday, December 29 - Monday, January 1, 2024.  
OPEN regular hours starting Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Enrollment for Semester Two
Please note the application for semester 2 enrollment is now open. We have limited seats available in the following grades: 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th. Please refer people to the Rehoboth website for the online application. We are available to give tours and answer questions. Please have them give us a call at 505-726-9609 or email admissions@rcsnm.org.
**Spreading the Word about Rehoboth**

There are so many events happening in the next months to which you can invite friends and family. This is a great way to share the word about the opportunities that Rehoboth offers. Now is the time for families to also be thinking about the 2024-25 school year. Bring them to one of our musical or athletic events. Invite them to the Middle School Mall to see how students apply academic learning to real life situations. Encourage them to set up a tour for their family or even to have their children shadow a Rehoboth student for a day! We are already excited about the 2024-25 school year. Online applications for NEW students for the 2024-25 school year will open on January 29.

**High School Principal**

Because Mr. Meester will be moving into the role of Executive Director in the 2024-25 school year, Rehoboth is looking for a High School principal for next year. Please spread the word! The job description and application can be found [HERE](#). Please pray for this process. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Ippel or Dan Meester.

**Business Office**

Monthly statements for December were sent out last week through Renweb, please check your email. Reminder that one half of the tuition should be paid by the start of the second semester. We are thankful for your support by paying your tuition promptly and for communicating with us concerning your situation. If you have any changing circumstances which would cause a delay of your monthly payment, please contact adminsec@rcsnm.org or call our office at 505-726-9635.

**Lynx Gift Shop**

It’s not too late to get your Christmas gifts in our gift shop! Stop by our administration building to look what we have.
We are wrapping up a semester of hard work with lots of celebrations in our building! My prayer is that as we pause and take a break from school, that we all find time to celebrate the birth of Jesus and his blessed work in our messy, complicated, beautiful lives!
Merry Christmas!
Everything we do here at Rehoboth is motivated by our love for Jesus Christ, our Savior; and it's a special time of year for us to remember the incredible gift of salvation we have in Him. As we part ways for a couple of weeks, I pray that your days are filled with the warmth of family and friends and that you’re able to experience God’s love in a deep and profound way. I also know that holiday times are hard for those of us who have lost loved ones or experience strained relationships with our families. If that’s you, I pray that our Heavenly Father provides you with a measure of comfort that only He can.

Rest well, and we'll see you back in January!

School Resumes January 3
Our first day back will be an “A” Day with periods 1, 3, 5, and 7. For those of you with students in classes that change at the semester, you’ll find your new room assignments and teachers on Renweb as we get closer to January.

Catch Some Lynx Action over the Break
On Saturday, 12/16 the boys basketball teams will be taking on Navajo Prep here at home. JV at 1pm and Varsity at 2:30pm. Then on Monday, 12/18 the boys travel to Estancia High School for games at 4pm and 5:30pm. Finally, Grants comes to Rehoboth on Tuesday, 12/19 to take on the boys at 4pm and 5:30pm.

Our varsity girls basketball team heads to the Questa Tournament from Thursday 12/14 - Saturday 12/16. Go Lynx hoopers!

Academic & Athletic Eligibility
Students who fail to earn a 2.0 GPA with no F’s on their semester report cards will become ineligible for the 3rd quarter of the school year, which encompasses the remainder of the basketball season and the beginning of the spring sports season.

January Events
When we come back from the break, we have quite a few events to look forward to:
- Jan 4-6 Boys V Basketball in the Gallup HS Tournament
- Jan 11-13 Girls basketball hosts the Rehoboth Tournament
- Jan 15 No School - Staff Retreat
- Jan 29 - Feb 2 International Heritage Week

Dan Meester, RCHS Principal
**Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**
The federal student aid application (FAFSA) will be open on December 31, 2023. Please look forward to an email or text message about a FAFSA night in January.

**ODY Spring Scholarships**
If you have not already submitted your scholarship application for the Spring semester please do so before the Christmas break. This will allow our administration some time to fill in their portion of the application and get them submitted in a timely manner.

*Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor*
Parent Survey Drawing Winners:
Thank you for your great response to the parent survey. Congratulations to our five winners of the $100 tuition award. They are Joshua Christian, Gabrielle Boucher, Niz’oni Loiselle, Margaret Perales and Betsy Meester.

Spring ODY Scholarship: Applications are available at the high school and at the administration building. Please return your completed application to either Mrs. Lynch at the high school or at the administration building. This is open to high school students who are enrolled with the Navajo Nation and have a GPA of 3.3 or higher.

Students are considered first time if they were not awarded for the Fall 2023 but are applying for the Spring. First time applicants will need to submit an essay and two teacher recommendations along with the application. The admissions office will be bringing the completed applications to Window Rock on Tuesday, January 9. Please turn them in before then as our business office needs to do the financial paperwork for the application.

Tuition payments & Scholarships: A reminder that every month, a tuition payment needs to be paid. You can make your payments by phone through credit (505-863-4412), at our administration building, mail in payment, or use our free service of FACTS. Every credit card payment has a fee.

If there are circumstances that are making it difficult for you to pay your tuition, you can apply for the LYNX SCHOLARSHIPS.

Verlena J. Livingston | Dir. of Community Life | vlivingston@rcsnm.org

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**Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)**

**CLICK HERE TO RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS**

Here are opportunities:

1. Our winter sports season will begin this week. Please sign up to help with the admission gate. Sign up below.
   - [2023 Winter Sports Admission gate](https://re-nm.client.renweb.com/pwr/)

2. Serve lunch in the Fellowship Hall from 11:15 am-1:00 pm each day. Any day Monday through Friday.

3. Anyone interested in providing a meal for a board meeting this school year. This would count for all 10 hours that you would need for the school year.

Please be sure to fill out the parent volunteer link to log your hours. If hours are not reported through the link above, we cannot record the hours to your Family Portal for you to track. If you have any questions about volunteering please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Deanna Benson | Volunteer Coordinator | dbenson@rcsnm.org | (505) 726-9603
From the Kitchen Staff have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy your break and time off. See you all in January 2024.

Thank you staff and volunteers for the amazing job you all do here at the lunch line. Blessings from the Kitchen. If you have any questions, concerns, or any ideas, please don’t hesitate to contact me at danderson@rcsnm.org.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths STRAIGHT. Proverb 3: 5,6

Now down to business.

We are in need of servers more than ever, please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org, if you can do your volunteer hours by serving lunch. It is the BEST job on campus, kids LOVE to be fed! This volunteer time can be put towards your Parent Volunteer Hours needed for the school year.

We are encouraging kids to drink their milk, and eat the food on their plates. Please encourage your kids to eat what is on their plate, remembering they can speak up & turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray, one being a fruit or vegetable!

ALL kids eat FREE! Take advantage! 😊

Happy Holidays

Menu Week of Jan 03 2024 to Jan 5, 2024

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<td>Enjoy ur Break</td>
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<td>Cheese burger, Oven Fries, Fruit, Veggie dippers, Milk</td>
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RCS is an equal opportunity provider. Menu subject to change due to product availability.

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Deuteronomy 31:8
The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”

Parents/Guardians,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Years from the Rehoboth Transportation Department!

Snow Delay/Cancellation Policy

See link below for 2023-2024 Bus Route Times:
Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes
Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes [Thursday Early Dismissal]

For day of transportation changes, please contact the school before 2:15pm.
- Val Peywa at 505-726-9675 for Elementary/Middle school
- Shawna Begay 505-726-9632 for High School

For permanent transportation changes, please contact Darius Yazzie at dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager
(505)726-9622 | dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org
**For the Athlete:** I do not trust in myself. I do not boast in my abilities or believe in my own strength. I rely solely on the power of God. I compete for the pleasure of my heavenly father, the honor of Christ, and the reputation of the Holy Spirit.

**Devotionals:** Here is a link for your son or daughter that pertains to student-athletes and their journey that comes with challenges and joys. If Devotions are new to you and your child, please see Mr. Pete, to assist and start that process and some easy steps in studying God's Word to grow and build a solid foundation. [RCS Student-Athletes Devotionals](#)

**Prayer Request:** Please see attached a Prayer Card to pray for our athletes and coaches every day. Reminder: “MORE PRAYER, MORE POWER, LESS PRAYER, LESS POWER.” [fcaprayercard.pdf](#)

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| **Thursday, December 14** | 2:00 pm Girls Basketball Questa Tournament AWAY vs. Legacy Academy (V) (see bracket) | 4:00 pm - MS Basketball HOME vs. Shiprock NW  
• 4 pm Girls A team  
• 5 pm Boys A team (No B teams) |
| **Friday, December 15**  | Girls Basketball Questa Tournament AWAY (V)    |                                                 |
| **Saturday, December 16** | Girl’s Basketball Questa Tournament AWAY (V)  
1:00 pm Boys Basketball HOME vs. Navajo Prep (JV, V) |                                                 |
| **Monday, December 18** | 4:00 pm - Boys Basketball AWAY vs. Estancia (JV,V) |                                               |
| **Tuesday, December 19** | 4:00 pm - Boys Basketball HOME vs. Grants (JV,V) |                                               |
| **Thursday, January 4** | 5:00 pm - Girls Basketball HOME vs. Zuni (JV,V)  
Boys Gallup Basketball Tournament AWAY (V) |                                               |
We like to support our community, so if you have any events that you would like to add to Parent News please email the information to adminsec@rcsnm.org by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.
High School Drama Club

**SPRING MUSICAL**

**Auditions**

Jan 3 3:15–6:15  
Jan 4 1:15–3:30  

- For cast
  - Prepare a solo
  - Read scenes
  - Prepared monologue optional
- For crew
  - Indicate involvement

contact jo.leggett@gmail.com for more information