



Monthly Update

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Dear Friends,

I was just talking with one of our faculty about the differences between a teacher's job today compared to when we both started our careers. Today, our educators need to be hyper-aware of their students' unique combination of strengths, challenges, and past experiences. It's a big task to keep track of the body language and emotional feedback of each student throughout a lesson, all the while making micro adjustments to improve their classroom experience.

But it doesn't stop there. Many of our students need someone to hang out with who can teach them about life. They need a reassuring smile to remind them of their worth and fill their tanks with love. That's a lot for a school or a teacher to take on by themselves, which is why we need other resources to help us care for students.

This month, we highlight our Big Brothers Big Sisters program. The high school students who choose to serve as "Bigs" are vetted carefully and then matched with a "Little" from elementary school. On Fridays, the two get together to share meals, play games, and process life—often staying paired up for multiple years. Zoe, who is pictured here, did a wonderful job in her work as a Big for Lanai. She's now taking that same heart for others into her pursuit of a nursing career at George Fox University in Oregon.

The old saying that "It takes a village to raise a child," is certainly true here at Rehoboth. We are grateful and proud of the work done by our teachers, counselors, student support staff, and our Big Brothers and Big Sisters. That's our village here on campus. But one of the things that is most special about our school is that our village expands far beyond the boundaries of our plot of land here in northwest New Mexico. It includes each of you who pray for our work and for our students every day. It includes those of you who physically show up to campus to give a week or a month of your life to our amazing kids. And it includes those of you who bless us with financial gifts so that the young people who most need the love and care of Christian mentors can get it here each and every day.

Thanks once more for your amazing partnership,



Dan Meester,
Executive Director

How can you pray for our school and community?

- We thank God for rain! The last few days here have brought us some much-needed moisture.
- Fall sports season is underway which means many hours on the road for our bus drivers, coaches, players, and school families. Join us in praying for God's hand of protection on them.
- We're praising the Lord that the H1-B Visa for our second-year High School English teacher, Mr. Ryun Ha, was approved and expedited so that he was able to start the year pouring into his students.
- We have a few staff members who have lost multiple loved ones in the last few months, which weighs heavily on them. Join us in praying for God's peace that passes all understanding to touch their lives and bring them comfort.

Current Needs

• TUITION ASSISTANCE

Because of your generosity last year, many Rehoboth students were able to receive the gift of an affordable Christian education. Thank you! As we step into a new school year, the need for tuition assistance is even greater—**\$1,950,000** is budgeted to ensure every family who desires Christian education can access it. Already, through August 27, we've been blessed with \$294,857 in gifts. With your continued support, we can meet the need for this school year.

• SALT PROGRAM (Students All Learning Together)

This year, the financial need for our SALT Program is **\$380,993**. Families across our community turn to Rehoboth because of the incredible care and expertise of our SALT staff—helping students thrive when they need extra support. With your continued generosity, we can ensure every child receives the attention they deserve throughout the 2025–26 school year.

• KUIPERS GYM RENOVATION PROJECT

Thanks to generous summer gifts, our remaining need is now **\$197,324**. With your support, we can close the gap and break ground soon—every gift brings us closer!

• REHOBOTH SOLAR-PHASE #2

We are excited to begin the next phase of solar energy production at Rehoboth! Our vision: installing a solar array on the High School and Sports & Fitness Center—a \$500,000 investment that will lower energy costs, free up resources for student programs, and demonstrate faithful stewardship of creation. Your support makes this possible. Together, we can turn this vision into reality and leave a lasting impact on our students, community, and environment. If you'd like to learn more about the project or explore ways you can partner with us, please reach out to Ken Zylstra, Director of Advancement.

• STAFF AMAZON WISHLIST

As we begin a new school year, our teachers have updated their Amazon wishlists with items that will enhance their classrooms. Your support is greatly valued and helps equip our staff for success.

Scan QR Code to access the wishlist on your phone



SCHOOL AND STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS



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- *This school year, we are blessed to welcome over 50 new students into our Rehoboth community.*
- *We are proud to share that 80% of our seniors who took the AP English Literature and Composition exam scored a 3 or higher. This far exceeds the New Mexico average of 47.4% and is even above the global average of 72.8%. Congratulations to our seniors and to Mr. Ha for their dedication and outstanding achievement.*
- *Congratulations to seniors Peyton Davis and Mary Helen Brown for their awards at the 103rd Gallup Inter-Tribal Ceremonial!*
 - *Peyton received Best in Show (18 & under) for her painting "Nali's Keepsake,"*
 - *Mary Helen earned Second Place for her concho belt.*



Thank you for your continued support and prayers!
If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us:

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