



This image of RCS students is from the Rehoboth 2025 school calendar. You can request a free calendar by emailing advancement@rcsnm.org

Dear Friends,

Our Rehoboth Christian School community had spring break during the third week of March, so as the calendar flips to April, our thoughts are on warmer weather, bright sunshine, and getting outside. Last month, we featured some of the students who help create and maintain the trail system on campus, and this month is a chance to highlight the work of students from a relatively new high school class here called Bike Tech.

A beautiful documentary film came out in 2023, called *In the Dirt*, and many of the scenes were shot here on Rehoboth's campus. The film highlights the growing popularity and positive outcomes of mountain biking on the Navajo Nation. In response to that growth and the passions of many in the Rehoboth community, Bike Tech class was born. The course teaches students all the ins and outs of bicycle

maintenance, and at the end of the year, they receive certification from Park Tools as Level 1 or Level 2 bike mechanics—a marketable skill they can use at home, but also for a potential career.

As with all of our classes, we seek to challenge students to put their knowledge and skills to use for the good of others and the expansion of God's Kingdom. Josiah Kaamasee, whose picture you see here, has embraced the sport of mountain biking in a big way; and he has tackled everything Bike Tech threw at him as well. He wanted to make sure other kids could experience the joy of bike riding, seeing the land up close—powered by their own legs.

Together, Josiah and other members of the Bike Tech classes gathered loads of old, broken down bicycles and began to take them apart, clean them up, and refurbish them—piece by painstaking piece. The result was over 50 bikes given out to kids in the community so that they too could ride “in the dirt.” I'll never forget my own son's exclamation as we drove past a young elementary student pedalling away near campus, “Hey! I fixed that bike up! Cool!”

We're thankful for Josiah's heart of hospitality and the unique ways he and other students spread joy every day.

With gratitude, Dan Meester
Executive Director

Praise & Prayer Requests

—The fourth and final quarter of the school year is upon us, and this final stretch is always jam-packed with activities. Our choir is touring California during the first week of April, and we

appreciate your prayers for safe travel, impactful experiences, and strengthening relationships—both within the choir group and between them and the communities they meet.

-We have begun receiving applications for our open faculty and staff positions. Please join us in praying for the Lord's leading as we interview candidates and fill those roles so that our students can continue to receive outstanding education and mentorship for faith and life from people who love them and love the Lord.

-Recently, our entire staff got together to brainstorm ideas about Rehoboth's future—an activity we're calling "The Next Big Thing." It's exciting to think about opportunities like incorporating hands-on, outdoor learning about plants and animals; strengthening our students' connection to their heritage through language and the arts; or providing unique vocational training that both represents economic stability and preservation of culture. Pray that as we sift through the many ideas that the Lord will lead us to programs and practices that will have a lasting and holy impact on our young people and their families.

Current Needs

Keith Kuipers Gym Project

We continue to encourage your gifts to help us finish the Kuipers campaign. We are thankful for gifts given recently to reduce the remaining campaign need as of March 24, 2025 to **\$486,170**. Please visit our project webpage at www.rcsnm.org/support/kuipers.cfm for more detailed information.

Tuition Assistance Need

The fourth quarter of the 2024-25 school year has begun! We are grateful for the generous gifts we continue to receive to help us meet our

annual need for tuition assistance. The annual tuition assistance need for the 2024-2025 school year is \$1,910,000. Please consider helping us with a gift to reduce the remaining tuition assistance need of **\$197,317**.

SALT Program

From Emily Jeninga, SALT Director: "Our SALT Program continues to support 55 students in kindergarten through 12th grade. We have been so encouraged by the progress and growth of our students! It is incredible to see the ways God is working through our teachers, therapists, students and families. We strive to know our students well, and through that we have been able to see growth and progress otherwise not possible. Thank you for your continued support of our program!" The remaining need for the SALT program for the current school year is **\$77,731**.

Support our Teachers & Staff

Teachers and staff continue to regularly update the Amazon Wishlist. They appreciate your help!



We are thankful for your support and prayers! If you have any questions, please contact us:

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