



Monthly Update

MAY 2026



Dear Friends,

I admire and respect runners a great deal. There's a discipline required for them to excel—one that means getting out of bed and lacing up your shoes, regardless of what obstacle stands in your way. Rehoboth graduate, Tyrell Natewa, is blessed with that kind of drive. He distinguished himself as a high school runner while at Rehoboth, and he has continued to pursue excellence as a marathoner in his adult years.

There's a distinctive cultural connection to running for our students and their families—connecting feet to earth as so many have done before. When I attend track meets or cross country meets, I'm struck by the atmosphere of celebration. You hear the family stories of past running glory for uncles and aunties, grandmothers and grandfathers. And you see the boundless energy of toddlers who can't wait to be like their big brothers and sisters. "Keep going! Don't Stop! You've got this!" The cheers of resilience fill the air.

I wonder if the Apostle Paul had a similar connection to running, since he used it so often as a comparison for our faith journey. "... forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus," he writes in Philippians. "Run in such a way as to get the prize," he encourages the Corinthians. Like Paul, Tyrell Natewa understands a connection between his running and his faith. Using his intense inner drive, he finished seminary so as to pursue local evangelism, even creating a running-centric discipleship program for young people.

I have no doubt that the "great cloud of witnesses" in God's family is cheering loudly for Tyrell's Kingdom work. And I'm grateful for the way he models for our young people what it looks like to follow Jesus with your whole heart. It's reminders like this that let me know Rehoboth Christian School is staying faithful to its mission that started so long ago. The impact we're having today on graduates like Tyrell Natewa and the hundreds of students currently enrolled is made possible, in part, by your prayers and support. Thank you, as always, for your faithful partnership with Rehoboth and for the inspiration it provides our students.

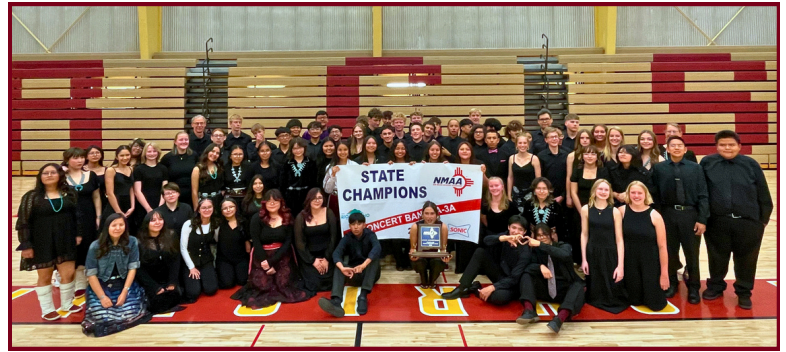
-Together, Dan Meester
Executive Director

How can you pray for us?

- The last month of school can feel overwhelming as a result. Please pray for our teachers, administrators, and support staff to be able to stay calm and focused on the task at hand each day. Pray also for extra patience and care to flow from us as we interact with each other and with our students.
- As the school year winds down, anxiety can set in for those students of ours who count on the daily routine of school to provide the structure, love, and support they need in their lives. Join us in praying for God to ease their anxiety and to bring people into their lives who can serve as a stable presence over the summer.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

- In the state band competition, our Lynx took home the class New Mexico A-AAA championship under the direction of Kevin Zwiers, marking our fourth state title in band. Anna Zwiers is the assistant band director and the choir accompanist, meaning that she had a hand in both outstanding performances!
- We are proud of our fine arts achievements this year! The Rehoboth high school choir, directed by Anna Christensen, competed at the state level for the first time ever and finished as the state runner up for all New Mexico schools in class A-AAA.



CURRENT NEEDS

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- **Tuition Assistance**
Remaining Need: \$67,467

We are grateful for the generous gifts we have received in the last month for tuition assistance and SALT program funding. As of April 22, we have received \$2,313,526 in support for our Tuition Assistance and SALT (Students All Learning Together) Program needs. The remaining annual need through June 30 is now **\$67,467**. Please consider a gift of support in the coming months

- **Project Updates**

Our Phase #2 Solar projects are fully funded and the solar contractor is working through the planning process so that installation can begin in June. We will continue to share monthly construction updates. We have received an updated construction budget for the Kuipers Gym Project, and our team is working with the contractor to bring the costs in line with the funds we have raised.

WE'RE
Hiring

- Pre-K Lead Teacher
- School Counselor
- SALT Assistant (Special Education help)
- Middle School teacher
(subjects flexible, but preferably some science)
- K-8 Principal
- Title I Reading Teacher

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Thank you for your continued support and prayers!
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