REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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MONTHLY UPDATE

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Dear Friends,

Few people are more driven and filled with a sense of purpose than Verlena Livingston. Since graduating from Rehoboth in 1996, she has pursued advanced education by earning a masters degree from Gonzaga and working toward her PhD in Educational Leadership from the University of New Mexico. But the reason she has worked so hard on her own growth is not a selfish one.

Verlena hopes to impact the future of Native American students everywhere by improving the experience they have in schools, especially Christian schools. Her work and advocacy has centered on identity and what it looks like to hold a student's sense of self at the forefront of our planning in education. When we paint a picture for students of how God sees them and how that image-bearing is expressed in the context of Native American culture, the result is a deep and rich level of engagement.

Verlena served Rehoboth in a variety of positions from leading the Phone-a-thon to Admissions Director, and in each of them, she demonstrated an incredible ability to help people feel welcome, included, and valued—and in turn, to cherish each other's stories. Many of the positive aspects of the Rehoboth community and its hospitality are strong because of Verlena's nurturing hand. We are grateful for her impact and excited to see the way she continues to pursue her calling in the broader education landscape.

Verlena Livingston knows she is a child of God . . . and she is a strong Diné woman. For her, it's not about choosing only one facet of her being to elevate. "I want to show people, especially young people, that they can hold a strong faith and a strong Native identity." In a world bent on polarization, the perspective of holding two different ideas together is certainly unique; but if there's anyone who can help change things, it's Verlena.

Today, Rehoboth continues to challenge its students to know the Triune God and equips them to love, serve, and transform the world in His name. Thanks to your faithful prayers and support, we can develop more students who know who they are and what they are called to do. When they use that identity and purpose to impact their communities and the world at large, we feel God's pleasure.

Together,
Dan Meester, *Executive Director*

How can you pray for us?

- *You may be aware of the unusually intense rain, hail, and severe weather we've been getting here in Northwest New Mexico over the past few weeks. Many roads and homes have been flooded out or damaged as a result. We ask your prayers for school families and people all over the area who are facing the tasks of cleaning up and fixing their homes as the weather turns colder. Simple needs like navigable roads allow families to travel for the supplies they need and the wood required to stay warm for the winter.*

STUDENT, STAFF, ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

- Congratulations to Rehoboth art teacher, Steve Terborg! Steve is one of the best soccer referees in the area, and he was recently notified that he will be officiating one of New Mexico's state championship games. We are excited to see Steve's hard work recognized in this way.
- The Rehoboth Girls Volleyball team is currently ranked #2 in the state for class 2A going into the final three games of the regular season. We can't wait to cheer them on as they finish out these last games and perform in the state tournament, which takes place November 12-14.
- Our high school students recently completed a community service day in which they went all over Gallup and surrounding areas to help local agencies and individuals who needed a hand. Thanks to our National Honor Society leadership for setting up the event!

CURRENT NEEDS Help Us Make A Difference

Jubilee Fund Need

The Jubilee Fund provides financial assistance to families facing unexpected challenges such as job loss, medical expenses, or other financial hardships. As we approach the end of the semester and holiday season, we are asking supporters to help replenish the Jubilee Fund so we can continue walking alongside families when they need it most.

Tuition Assistance & SALT Need

Due to lower than anticipated student enrollment and lower than budgeted tuition revenue relating to the income levels of our families, we have adjusted our annual tuition assistance need to cover the budget deficit. Our updated annual need for tuition assistance and SALT funding is now **$2,543,500**. Through October 19 we have received $817,271 towards our tuition assistance and SALT (Student Support Services) needs. This represents **32% of our annual fundraising need**. We ask for your continued support throughout the school year so that we can provide affordable Christian education to the families in our community.

Staff Amazon Wishlist

Small gifts can make a big difference! Our staff have hand-picked items to support their classrooms and daily roles. Help us care for and encourage our RCS staff by choosing an item from our Amazon Staff Wishlist. Scan the QR code to shop and support our school community!

Thank you for partnering with Rehoboth and helping make Christian education accessible to more students.

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November 2026 PRAYER CALENDAR

Theme: Walk in Joy

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Happy Birthday to Brenda Mike (SALT assistant)	2. Happy Birthday to Dorann Louis (Admin Asst)	3. Pray for safety at the election polls today. Pray for our Volleyball team as they have their last season games this week. Pray for good teamwork and good health for the players.	4. Pray for families who are struggling financially and/or those who are looking for jobs. Pray that they will persevere in their job search and lean on God for guidance.	5. Pray for our admissions office as they come up with ideas of how to reach out to families who may be interested in enrolling their students at Rehoboth.	6. Happy Birthday to Emily Wuestewald and Daniel Ensign (HS teachers). Pray that our HS students will have an enjoyable night at their Fall dance.	7. Pray for our cross country team as they travel to Albuquerque for the state cross country meet. Pray for safety and a good race for our athletes.
8. Pray for family members who have not accepted Jesus. Pray that their hearts will be opened to Jesus.	9. Pray for family members who are struggling with illnesses and addictions. Pray for healing and a desire to seek help. Pray for patience and kindness for the family members who take care of them.	10. Pray for our Native American students and our community as we celebrate Native American Heritage Month with several events.	11. Pray that we honor our veterans in special ways today. Pray for our teachers as they have In-Service training today.	12. Happy Birthday to Scott MacLaren. Pray for our MS choir as they participate in the 4 corners choir today. Pray that many people will come and give blood at our blood drive today.	13. Happy Birthday to Nick Salazar (HS SALT asst). Pray for our volleyball team as they are in the middle of state playoffs. Pray for good concentration and teamwork.	14. Pray for families and our elders whose lives get more challenging as the weather turns colder. Pray for our homeless population that they will have a safe and warm place to stay on cold nights.
15. Happy Birthday to John Newman (HS SALT teacher).	16. Today starts Winter sports practices. Pray for our coaches and players as they work together to create teams and learn skills.	17. Happy Birthday to Lisa Skeets-Begay (pre-K helper).	18. Pray for our HS seniors as they navigate the college application and selection process.	19. Pray for our HS drama club as they perform their play for the next few nights. Pray for all involved that they would enjoy working together.	20. Pray for families who are going through a divorce. Pray for the children involved and that they may still have a good relationship with both parents.	21. Pray for our HS basketball teams as they play in scrimmages today.
22. Pray that the struggles we face will bring us to a deeper relationship with Christ.	23. Pray for our school board as they meet tonight. Pray that they will have a good discussion and planning meeting.	24. Pray for those who will be feeling the loss of loved ones more acutely during the holiday season.	25. Pray for a good Thanksgiving break for our staff and students. Pray for safe travel.	26. May we all take the time to thank God for all the blessings received this year. Praise God for his presence in our lives. He never let's us go.	27. Pray that we may all have an attitude of gratitude and thankfulness. Pray that we will reach out and bless others in kindness, showing them God's love.	28.Pray for returning volunteers Steve and Sue Kass and Scott and Linda Wesseldyk as they spend some time here.
29. Pray for our transportation department as they prepare for the winter months ahead. Also pray for our new bus drivers as they face that challenge also.	30. Pray that our students will stay focused on their schoolwork as they finish the first semester.					

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