

Parent News October 15, 2025



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

Come to a Rehoboth sporting event, and you'll see a humorous note on the sign with our admissions prices:

Cowboys Fans - \$10

We like to tease our brothers and sisters who cheer for that NFL team from Dallas, and our athletic director, Adrian Pete, knows how to put smiles on people's faces as they enter our facilities for games.

The team you cheer for is one small example of how you shape your identity—your sense of self. Travel around the area and you'll hear cheers like:

"Let's go, Lobos!" . . . "Forks up!" . . . "Bear down!"

We find instant connection with people who share the same passions we do, and it makes us a little prouder to know that we're not alone in our love for a particular team.

But think about the even larger elements of our identity: Navajo, Zuni, Lakota, Anglo, or Latino. Artist, musician, athlete, or student. Son, daughter, husband, or wife. And above all of these, Child of God.

This week, we celebrated Indigenous Peoples Day here at Rehoboth, and it marked a great opportunity to elevate, reconnect with, and learn about different cultural practices that can help build our students' sense of identity and self-worth. Thanks to our multicultural committee and to all the parent volunteers who came out to lead booths on sheep shearing, roping, weaving, Hopi art, Navajo language bingo, corn meal grinding, and dancing. I loved seeing students' enthusiasm for the activities and the sense of pride they had when they did something well.

Clarissa Johnson, Verlena Livingston, and Tara De Young traveled to Spokane, Washington last week and spoke to a packed session at the National Indigenous Educators Association (NIEA) conference about the work Rehoboth does to integrate faith formation into our education, along with elevating the importance of Native culture. This is challenging because we know there are times when our spiritual identity comes into tension with any number of aspects of our earthly identity.

I couldn't ask for better partners when it comes to mentoring our young people into their fullest and most powerful, community-impacting sense of who God created them to be. Thank you, parents and staff of Rehoboth for your dedication to this vital work.

Oh . . . and go, Niners!

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Wednesday, October 15 Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 8:00 pm Scholastic Book Fair
- Thursday, October 16 Rehoboth College Fair 8:30 am 11:30 am
- Thursday-Friday, October 16-17 Fall Break NO SCHOOL (Admin Office Closed)
- Tuesday, November 11 Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL, Staff In-Service Day
- Wednesday Friday, November 26-28, NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

All School Announcements

From the Business Office

Dear Families,

Last Friday the first quarter of the school year ended, which means your tuition should be paid up through the first quarter.

Please check your FACTS account and either pay online or you can make a payment with the administration office.

If you are on ACH payments and the dates aren't aligning with your pay dates we can change the schedule for you please email the dates to adminsec@rcsnm.org.

Thank you.
Celine Bia
Finance Director

Administration Office Closed

The Administration office will be closed October 16 & 17 for Fall break.

Job Openings

We are taking applications for **substitute bus drivers** and **substitute teachers**.

Please go **HERE** for more information and an application.

Thank you.

Elementary News

Transportation Changes

If transportation changes are necessary, please contact Val Peywa **before 2:15** (12:45 on Thu) so that she has time to communicate with classroom teachers and students.

Spelling Bee

This fall 3rd-8th grade students will have an opportunity to participate in classroom and school spelling bees. If your student would like to get a jump on studying, you can access this year's word list here.

Fall Break:

Remember there is no school Thursday and Friday, October 16 & 17. It is Fall Break! I hope you can all find some time to rest and rejuvenate for the second quarter.

Middle School Matters

This Coming Week:

Monday- B day Tuesday- A day Wednesday- B day Thursday- A day Friday- B day

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Upcoming Events (MS only)

Oct 22 - Business Unit Simulation

High School Highlights

Fall Break

Fall break will be October 16 and 17. I hope that you plan to use this time to rest up; I am very excited for the time to get away from school and rest, and I know your students are excited too. Please use these days of rest to prepare you and your students for the second quarter. This is a great moment of peace before the hectic pace that comes with state tournaments, fall holidays, and the end of the semester. I plan on fishing some water near peaceful places in the area of Show Low, AZ.

Fall Service Day

The National Honors Society is planning a day of service for all high school students on October 22. This is always an awesome day where most students leave campus to serve the greater community. The learning that happens through service is vital for growing citizens who show God's transforming love. I enjoy hearing the stories from students as they return from their work sites. Students will be learning of their work sites soon; please ask your students where they have been placed and what they will be doing.

If you know that your student will need to leave early on Wednesday, October 22 please let Ms. Begay, Mr. Weidenaar, or Mr. Zwiers know. We will put them in a group that is working on campus.

Fall Dance

The drama club is sponsoring a Fall Dance to raise funds for upcoming drama productions. The dance will be Saturday, October 25 from 7:30-10PM. Tickets can be purchased next week; they are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Snacks and refreshments will be sold. This event is open to only Rehoboth students.

Celebration of Learning

On the evening of November 10 the high school will have a celebration of learning. This will be a chance to see the specific things happening in classes to equip students to love and serve God. The choir and band will be performing, and there will be numerous other highlights of learning activities to share. Please come and share a great evening learning about what is happening in the classes of the high school.

Seth Weidenaar High School Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

Hello,

College Showcase

October 16, 2025 we will host a college showcase with the Daniels Foundation (also partners with the ACE scholarship). The event will start at 8:30 AM and end at 11:30 AM in the High School LC. All RCS students are welcome to attend, we have extended an invitation to all local schools in our area to share in this great opportunity. Please see the event flyer attached for more information.

Happy Fall Break!

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor



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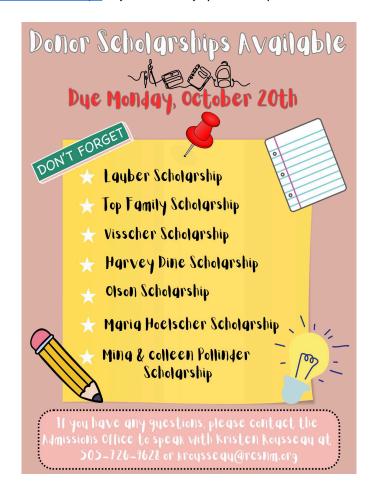
Family Portal: https://re-nm.client.renweb.com/pwr/

Update from Admissions

My name is *Kristen Rousseau and I am the new Admissions Coordinator*. Admissions has distributed donor scholarships to the high school and middle school/elementary.

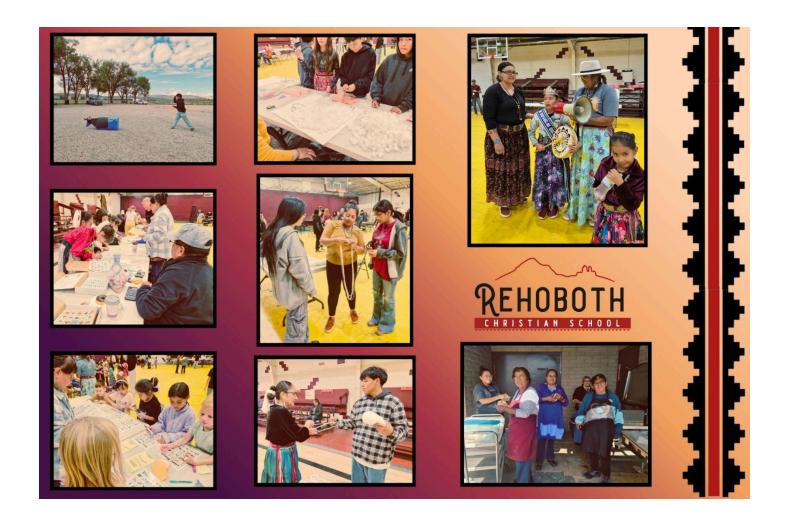
There are several different ones available, please check the eligibility requirements as some are for specific schools or courses of study.

The due date for the scholarship is Monday, October 20, 2025. With fall break this week, students have enough time to do their applications! You can pick up applications with the school secretaries, at the administration building or visit our school website: RCS Internal Scholarships. If you have any questions, please contact me.



<u>Invitation to join the Multicultural Committee:</u>

We would like to invite any parents interested in joining the Multicultural Committee or if you would like to volunteer at any future events. We are always looking for parents, family members, and elders in sharing their gifts, talents, and knowledge. We gather once a week on Thursdays in person or virtually if you are unable to meet on campus. The Multicultural Committee strives to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our student body through inclusive events - creating opportunities for our community to explore, honor, and grow in appreciation of the many cultural heritages that reflect the Kingdom of God. The hours you dedicate can go towards your volunteer hours. For more information, you are welcome to contact any of the following members: Verlena Livingston, Duane Yazzie, Brenda Mike



Indigenous Peoples' Day 10/13/2025

Top left: Junior Cayden Kenny roping with booth leader, RCS Parent Cody Billiman Middle Top and Bottom Left: RCS Parents Valina Chee and Vincent Natewa assist students with Navajo Bingo; Middle Top: RCS Parent Desiree Billiman shows students how to shear sheep wool Middle: RCS Parent Shaundale Hardy assists with traditional hair tying Middle Bottom: RCS Parent Wilhelmina Yazzie is showing a student how to make a traditional hair tie Top Right: Director of Community Life Verlena Livingston assisting Miss Choosgai Community School Jaliayah Jones while she performed songs in Navajo/English Bottom Right: Our certified RCS frybread makers, our RCS Parents and Grandparents volunteered to make over 400+ frybread

Our Indigenous Peoples' Day celebration was a success! With many RCS Families volunteering their time to showcase their skills and teaching our students along the way such as rug weaving, sheep shearing, jewelry making, Navajo bingo and a Hopi demonstration. We had a hay ride included with our booths.

The students visited each booth to receive a stamp and to write or draw a summary, when completed it was submitted into a drawing where they could win a door prize. Prizes ranged from school foam fingers, stickers, pumpkins (big and small), RCS Lynx tshirts, fruit tray, volleyball and basketball. Students indulged in navajo tacos for lunch and it was delicious! Our frybread makers made over 400+ frybread! Thank you to our RCS Families, RCS Maintenance crew and fellow staff who made this event possible! Ahe'hee!

Our door prize winners:

Makayla McGee 9th	Austin Lewis 11th	Dallas Dawes 10th	Ahnija Morgan 8th	Julianna Baas 8th
Elisha Ruthven 4th	Anaya Ippel 9th	Titus Leggett 7th	Evie DeYoung 9th	Marvah Toddy 12th
Mckayla Cayaditto 9th	Mason Johnson 10th	Ilias Yazzie 6th	Zachary Christian 3rd	Christiana Nielson 5th
Mia Armstrong 4th	Leland Gordon 4th	Luke Johnson 5th	Kai Martin K	Callen Feddes 6th
Charlena Newell 6th	Kash Skeet 7th	Landon Charlie 8th	Jude Cavanaugh 9th	Kaity Thomas 11th
Maya Thomas 11th	Katron Birky 9th	Coen Bruinius 1st	Shane St.John 7th	Caysie Largo 7th
Noah Corley K	Selina Rousseau 2nd	Skye Scarbro 3rd	Copelynn Tullie 3rd	Aurelia Hoogewerf 2nd
Jeremiah Gonzales 2nd	Morgan Barney K	Abigail Becksvoort 10th	Dylan Smith-Owens 5th	Taylor Smith-Owens 1st

Parent Volunteer Program (PVP):

All families are required to complete 10 hours of volunteering for each school year. When completed with each volunteer opportunity, remember to log in those hours. Here is the <u>PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM</u>. Click on the link, answer the questions (there are two sections), make sure to click submit on the second portion. Parent Volunteer flyers with QR code are posted at the soccer field, window of Mr.Pete's office, HS/MS/EL offices, concession stand and fellowship hall. If you would like more information: <u>CLICK HERE</u> or check out our section (page 27) in the <u>Back to School Packet</u>.

A quick reminder...volunteer hours are 10 per family. Mom, Dad, Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents can also volunteer. However, each person needs to fill out a volunteer form of their hours every time it is completed. Also, please put the name of the teacher, coach, or principal that you are donating to or RCS staff who is responsible for the event and if you're donating items to please list and give the amount of each item that was purchased. For every \$15 spent on donations is 1 hour. (For example, \$30 worth of candy bars and soda is 2 hours, \$75 worth of candy bars, chips, and soda would be 5 hours).



Thank you for completing your Parent Volunteer Hours:

- ★ Muriel Plummer
- ★ Felicia & Jeremy Hosteen
- ★ Roxie & Michael Singer
- ★ Valina Chee & Vincent Natewa
- ★ Shania & Rodney Curnutt

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

- Lunch servers needed in the Fellowship Hall from 11:15am to 12:40 pm. Here is the LINK to sign up.
- Helping with the admission gate at any volleyball game or soccer game in October. LINK to sign up.
- Snacks for afterschool program. Contact Sarah Marlowe for more details!
- Purchasing an item off our RCS Staff Amazon Wish List

Verlena Livingston (Former Director of Community Life) is no longer associated with the admissions process, please send any questions or correspondence to Kristen Rousseau (Admissions Coordinator)

Food Service

I wanted to **Thank** everyone that came out and helped during our indigenous week, all the Volunteers that came out and made Frybread, the kids did enjoy their Navajo Tacos, and more. Just wanted to also say be safe during your fall break and make more memories with your families. God is good in every way

Since we made some adjustments in now serving hot food to our High School students.. If you know of anyone interested in serving please don't hesitate to contact us and earn your Volunteer Hours.

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. Remember they can speak up and turn down a food item as long as they have three items on their tray, one being a fruit or vegetable.

Just a reminder, we will be doing finger scans for all new students for counting lunch meals. All we need is one scan, and it is good for the rest of their time at Rehoboth. Once the student has graduated or leaves Rehoboth, their scan will be deleted.

"He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless." Isaiah 40:29

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!



MENU week of October 20 - October 24

Monday Oct 20, 2025	Tuesday Oct 21, 2025	Wednesday Oct 22, 2025	Thursday Oct 23, 2025	Friday Oct 24, 2025
Malt O Meal , Fresh Fruit and Milk				Smoothie w/ Mixed Berries, Granola Bar and Milk
Sauce, Garlic Bread, Toss Salad, Fresh	Grilled Cheese, Veggie Dippers, Fresh	Mashed Potato, Gravy, Dinner Rolls, Corn,	mixed Veggies, Fortune Cookie, Fresh Fruit and	Hamburger on a Bun w/ cheese, lettuce, tomato, Crinkle Fries, Fresh Fruit and MIIk

In Gear : Transportation

Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, he is the one who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.

Transportation Updates:

- Please have all contact info updated in Renweb. When delays happen during the bus routes, this is the best way to communicate with you if there are any changes.
- Please be early to your bus stop, 5-10 minutes. Sometimes buses arrive early due to fewer students on the bus, and some hub stops are not in use during that route.
- Our Transportation Department is in need of a substitute bus driver. Please contact Darius Yazzie for more information. Contact info is located below.

Bus Schedule Links

2025-2026 Bus Schedule 2025-2026 Early Dismissal (Thursday PM) Bus Schedule

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 <u>dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org</u> or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager

Email: dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org

Phone: (505) 726-9622



WE NEED SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS



I Believe: Athletics

HS and MS Fall Sports are in full swing. If you have any questions please contact your child's coach. Contact Information is below. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at adrianpete@rcsnm.org. Thank you and GO LYNX!

Volleyball - Charlene Chapman, cchapman@rcsnm.org 505-879-8191

Boys Soccer - Phil Fredriksen, frederiksenphil@gmail.com 505-458-2705

Girls Soccer - Neil Weeda, nweeda@rrcsnm.org 616-723-4525

HS and MS Cross Country - Autumn Newell, ajnewell@rcsnm.org 505-862-3156

Devotionals for athletes: https://www.fca.org/resources/personal-growt

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Thursday, October 16	3:00 pm - HS Boys Soccer HOME vs. Bosque 5/6 PM - HS Volleyball AWAY vs. Hozho(JV,V) 5:00 pm - HS Girls Soccer HOME vs. Bosque	
Tuesday, October 21	3:00 pm - HS Boys Soccer AWAY vs. East Mountain 5 /6 pm - HS Volleyball HOME vs. Ramah (JV,V) 5:00 pm - HS Girls Soccer AWAY vs. East Mountain	
Thursday, October 23	2:30 pm - HS Girls Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical 4/5/6 PM - HS Volleyball AWAY vs. Laguna Acoma (C,JV,V) 4:30 pm - HS Boys Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical	

Community Events

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.

Fliers:

October 15 Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 - 8:00 pm

October 16 - College & Financial Aid Showcase 8:30 am - 11:30 am

October 17/November 1 - Library- Teen Book Club

October 18 - Fun Run 8:00 am

October 25 - Youth Basketball and Wellness Camp 8:00 am- 12:00 N



The **FALL Scholastic Book Fair** is coming soon! Here's important information about the Book Fair:

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM Wednesday, October 15, 2025 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM

Navajo Code Talker Communication Center & Library

We encourage students to develop a strong love for reading and books. The easiest way for kids to pay is with an **eWallet**. Create one for your child so they can shop cash free!

Visit our school homepage to get started:

https://scholastic.com/bf/rehobothchristianschool



- 1. Sign in or create a new Scholastic account
- 2. Choose "Create an eWallet"
- Select "I'm a parent..."
- Add funds and/or invite family and friends to contribute

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our Librarian, Mr. Yazzie, at your convenience.

Duane Yazzie, Teacher-Librarian Rehoboth Christian School dyazzie@rcsnm.org (505) 863-4412

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College & Financial Aid Showcase

Thursday, October 16 | Rehoboth, New Mexico

Join us for a half-day event designed to help high school juniors, seniors, counselors, and families simplify the college application process!

The showcase will bring together leading scholarship providers and universities at Rehoboth Christian High School on Thursday, October 16. This free event will provide attendees with tools and information to successfully navigate the complexities of the college application process.

Who should attend?

High school seniors graduating in 2026 High school juniors graduating in 2027 Counselors and families

Colleges & Scholarship Providers Include:

Colorado State University - Fort Collins

Daniels Fund

Fort Lewis College

New Mexico State University

University of Denver

University of New Mexico

West Texas A&M

& More!



Details:

Date: Thursday, October 16

Time: 8:30 – 11:30 am

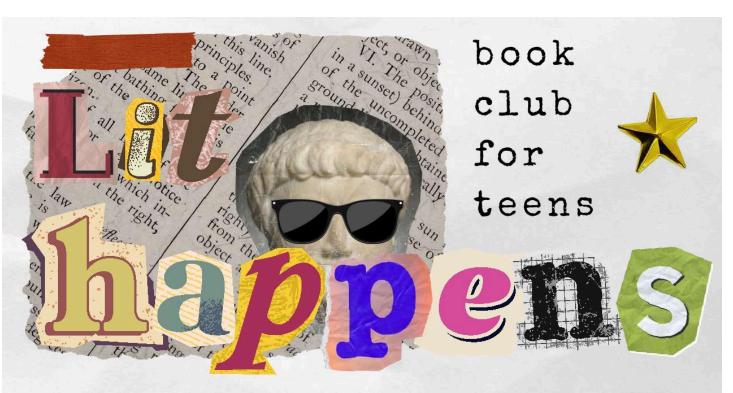
Location: Rehoboth Christian High School

211 Tse Yaaniichi Street

Rehoboth, New Mexico 87322



Register to attend this free event using the QR code!



Register for a free copy of the book.

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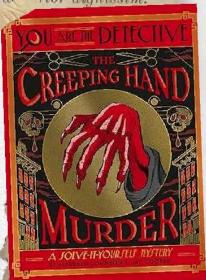
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Lace Up for health, happiness, and helping our elderly seniors

RUN & WALK

\$30-5k \$15 - 1 mile Free shirt for first 100 runners

SATURDAY

▶ OCTOBER 18, 2025

08:00AM



scan the code to sign up.
On site registration also available



Fox Run Golf Course 1109 Susan Ave Gallup, Nm 87301

For more information: 505-863-6894

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YOUTH BASKETBALL AND WELLNESS CAMP





SAT, OCT. 25 TH 2025

REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ON-SITE REGISTRATION 8:00 AM CAMP STARTS AT 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

2ND GRADE - 5TH GRADE

SHOW PROOF OF GRADE/AGE

CONTACT:

RYEQUEL DENNY, SCHOOL HEALTH COORDINATOR 505-722-1660/RYEQUEL.DENNY@IHS.GOV









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