

Parent News OCTOBER 16, 2024



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

This was a short week at Rehoboth, but one packed full of important and exciting events. Monday, we had the chance to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day with some hands-on cultural activities led by RCS parents and volunteers. I want to thank Mrs. Verlena Livingston and our Multicultural Committee for championing this event and putting so much effort into it. Check out the Rehoboth social media pages for pictures and descriptions of what happened, and be sure to sign up and join us next year!

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings hold Parent-Teacher Conferences, in which we deepen our relationships with each other and cement our bond of working together for the good of our students. I hope to see many of you at school on these evenings!

And finally, this afternoon, our high school is having its first official college and career fair. Over a dozen college representatives will be on campus to talk with our students about future educational opportunities, along with a whole host of professionals to give our students an insider's look at what their different careers are all about. Thank you, Mrs. Camilla Lynch, for coming up with this great event and working so hard to see it come together!

Each of these events demonstrates the kind of love our staff has for your children. One of the most powerful ways to ensure that people stay dedicated to their work is to thank them for it and let them know the kind of impact it has on you and your children. If you think of it, take a moment to do that for someone today. That kind of encouragement is part of the Unreasonable Hospitality that we're striving for at Rehoboth. We won't all be perfect every day, but we can definitely make the effort to keep each other motivated and assume that we are all acting with the best of intentions.

This weekend will mark the first extended break of the school year, and we all deserve it after a strong quarter of work! Taking the time to rest and recharge is actually a holy pastime, and it's something that the Lord wanted built into the rhythm of our lives from the very beginning. I often think about when God's people first heard the Creation story and the mention of Sabbath. It was after they had escaped Egypt and likely when they were camped at Mt. Sinai for a year. It's then that Moses would have shared their Genesis origin story with them.

Imagine centuries of slavery—working to make bricks in the hot sun—and having the value of your life determined by how much you could produce. It must have come as quite a shock to the Israelites to hear their God commanding them to rest and reflect on the fact that He didn't judge them by these standards. Their value came simply from who they were—living images of God Himself. As you rest and enjoy the fall break, may that knowledge give you peace and comfort, because, at Rehoboth, we see you and your children the same way.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Tuesday, October 15- Wednesday, October 16 Parent Teacher Conferences 4-8pm
- Thursday, October 17 Friday, October 18 NO SCHOOL Fall Break- Administration Office Closed
- Monday, November 11 Veterans Day NO SCHOOL teacher in-service day

All School Announcements

Parent-Teacher Conferences Tonight

If you didn't make it to last night's fall parent-teacher conferences, you can still come tonight from 4pm-8pm. Elementary and Middle School families make reservations for their meetings with teachers, while the high school provides an open house format in the LC, where families can drop by and see their child's teachers without making an appointment. Celine Bia will also be available in the high school to speak with families about any tuition questions or concerns.

Looking forward to seeing all of you there! This is an important way to build trust and relationships between home and school, and those elements lead to great results for our students . . . and that's what we're all here for!

Fall Break

There will be NO SCHOOL Thursday, October 17 and Friday, October 18. The Administration Office will be **closed** those days.

<u>Immediate Opening for a High School English Teacher</u>

We are sad to announce that Ms. DeLyssa Begay will be leaving Rehoboth to take care of an important family matter as soon as possible. She has graciously agreed to stay on in her position until the end of the semester, but it would be preferable to leave earlier if we can find someone sooner. Please share this need with anyone you know who might be interested and have them contact Mr. Meester at dmeester@rcsnm.org or (505) 726-9623.

Elementary News

I love Parent Teacher conferences! I get to see and connect and catch up with so many of you. It's also a good time to have much needed conversations face-to-face. On these days, our teachers put in marathon hours and effort to teach, prepare for conferences, and have dozens of conversations. We love all of your students, you and the support you demonstrate for us. Thank you!! Have a great break! ~Tara

Toolbox Thursday

"I let the little things go!" is the slogan for the **Garbage Can Tool.** Today we decided if various scenarios were big problems or little problems. If something is a big problem we use other tools and ask adults for help. If something is a little problem we can **Toss it and walk on and enjoy the day.**

Leanne Gillson

Transportation Changes

If transportation changes are necessary, please contact Val Peywa **before 2:15** so that she has time to communicate with classroom teachers and students. Any request made after this time may not be guaranteed.

Early Release

Just a reminder that our bell for dismissal rings at 1:35pm on Thursdays.

Elementary and Middle school Drop-off/pickup

If you are dropping off or picking up elementary and middle school students, please use the parent loop past the church and behind our building. This is where our person on duty monitors students and ensures that all students are picked up.

For the afternoon, students who are not picked up within 15 minutes are brought back inside to Mrs. Pewya, who then begins calling the student's pick-up contacts. Students may not wait at the Elementary Playground.

Middle School Matters

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Upcoming Events (MS only)

- Oct 17-18 Fall Break (No School)
- Oct 21 ½ begin Water Integrated Unit
- Oct 30 6th grade to Petrified Forest National Park
- Nov 1 Native American Heritage Month begins
- Nov 11 Veterans Day NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day

After School Friday Detentions

According to the handbook, after 5 tardies in a quarter a student will receive detention, and every 3 tardies after that (8, 11, 14, etc). Students may also receive a Friday detention for minor disciplinary infractions. Dan Arendsen, our lead teacher, will communicate with the students and families of those on the list for the week.

HABITUBES

This week Middle School had small group discussions on "Root and Fruit" by discussing the value of "Accurate Self-Perception." This value explores the competencies of **Self-Awareness**: The ability to accurately recognize one's emotions and thoughts and their influence on behavior. This includes accurately assessing one's strengths and limitations and possessing a well-grounded sense of confidence and optimism. It also looks at self perception: **Accurate self-perception** is not only seeing yourself for who you really are, but also embracing your unique characteristics, abilities, and shortcomings in order to build confidence in yourself and maintain an optimistic outlook on life.

Think of a beautiful tree, especially one that bears fruit like apples, oranges, or some sort of flower. When you do, it's easy to skip to the best part, the fruit. But what you probably already know is that the fruit on that tree was the last thing to grow. Trees put down roots first, then they grow a tall, sturdy trunk, and finally, when the time is right, the fruit shows up. The fruit is a result of the growth that has occurred before.

Leaders must grow the same way. They prioritize putting down stable roots (setting their values), growing a tall trunk (your strengths and talents), and then bearing fruit (results of their work and growth).

The root must come before the fruit. Let's learn more about the power of priorities.

See the <u>parent card</u>, and ask your student about it! Students can also access their <u>digital flash cards here</u>or scan this QR code.

Scan and Take This Lesson with You

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High School Highlights

This week our chapel was led by Travis Seekins. Mr. Seekins works at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas. HSU has a partnership with Rehoboth; Rehoboth students can receive a tuition discount if they attend HSU. While that is a very interesting relationship, Mr. Seekins did not necessarily talk that up very much. What he did speak about is how we need to run toward the fire. By that he meant that we need to identify those in need and run toward them, but in order to do that effectively we need to train, rest, and then finally run. This was a wonderful message for our students and staff to hear, and we are reassured in the difficult work that we do-we are running toward the fire. The message about adequate rest was something everyone needed too, and I hope we all deeply enjoy some much needed rest.

Seth Weidenaar High School Principal



This week the High School split into small groups to continue the value of "Stress Management and Self Care".

Ecclesiastes 10:10
Using a dull ax requires great strength, so sharpen the blade.
That's the value of wisdom; it helps you succeed.

Take Action: What is one action step you can take in the next few days for your self-care or personal growth?

See the "Habitudes at home" parent card here. Students can also access their digital flash cards or scan this QR code.

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High School Counselor's Corner

Hello Families.

SAT Information

• Any senior that took the SAT, please make sure your \$35.00 fee is paid as soon as possible.. Payments can be made at the RCS administration office or the high school front office.

College Visit Opportunities

Fort Lewis College

Daily Campus Tours

This two-hour experience includes a small group session with an admission counselor and a walking tour of campus with the option to add customized meetings with professors and/or campus resources important to them. We offer these <u>Daily Campus Tours</u> Monday-Friday.

Open Houses

Spend a whole day with us on October 18, November 9, or March 7 during one of our FLC <u>Open House</u> <u>events</u>. FLC Open Houses are designed for students to get an in-depth look at academics, life on campus, housing, and how to pay for college all while connecting with faculty and students.

University of New Mexico- Albuquerque

American Indian Senior Day

American Indian Student Services at The University of New Mexico invites you and your students to American Indian Senior Day on Thursday, November 7, 2024, at UNM- Main Campus. The program provides American Indian High School seniors an opportunity to visit UNM's campus learn about the next steps to attend college, and leave motivated to pursue a higher education.

Inside Scoop Community Life & Admissions

District code in Family Portal is: RE-NM

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

<u>Multicultural Committee:</u> We are looking for parents interested in joining the multicultural committee to help with ideas and planning future events for our student body and community. We have many exciting days to plan for and you can also earn volunteer hours by joining or volunteering at a future event we sponsor. Get in touch with Verlena Livingston at <u>vlivingston@rcsnm.org</u>.

New Student Application for 2nd Semester: Applications for the second semester at Rehoboth will open on November 1st. If you are interested in adding a new sibling you can apply within your Family Portal account (link above). If you know anyone interested in transferring, please have them contact the Admissions Office and speak with Deanna Benson, the Admissions Coordinator. We are also giving campus tours.



Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)

We are excited to share opportunities with you to get involved. Remember that when you volunteer you will also need to log those hours. You can click on the link below, answer the questions and hit submit so we can get those hours logged for your family. Each family will need to complete 10 volunteer hours for this school year. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me dbenson@rcsnm.org or (505) 726-9628.

<u>PVH link</u> to track hours- Please be sure to log your volunteer hours. Staff members and teachers will not be able to do it for you.

- 1. Serving in the **lunch line** any day Monday through Friday 11:15-12:30pm. Sign up below. Fellowship Hall servers
- 2. We have a few more **soccer and volleyball games.** Please sign up to help with the admission gate. 2024/2025 Home Sports/Admission Gate Volunteer Schedule
- 3. Check out our **teacher/staff amazon wish list**. If you would like to purchase an item. This would be credited toward your PVH. <u>Amazon Wish List</u>
- 4. The **after school program** is in need of snacks for students. All items must be individually packaged. If you bring snacks you can count this towards your PVH. You can drop snacks off at the elementary school.

Food Service

Just a reminder no school Thursday and Friday, enjoy your fall break, we look forward to seeing you the following week

We will continue 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, scans will be deleted. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. THANK YOU!

We are encouraging kids to drink all their milk and eat all the food provided. We do not want to see any food wasted this year! They are always welcome to speak up and turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray which needs to include a fruit or vegetable.

If you have any questions, praises, or suggestions, please feel free to reach me at danderson@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9616. Here's to a wonderful school year!

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. - 1 Corinthians 16:1

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Menu Week of October 21, 2024 to October 25, 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oct 21, 2024	Oct 22, 2024	Oct 23, 2024	Oct 24, 2024	Oct 25, 2024
Pancake w/ syrup , fruit	Sausage w/ Biscuit, , Fruit		Breakfast burrito w/ salsa	Very Berry Parfait w/
and white milk	and Milk		fruit and white milk	Granola
Sauce, Garlic toast, green beans, Fruit , White or	Fruit and White or Choc	Tater tots, Veggie Dippers, Fruit and White	1	Tomato Soup w/ Grilled cheese, Salad and Fruit w/ white or choc milk

RCS is an equal opportunity provider. Menu subject to change due to product availability.

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.



Enjoy the Fall Break...

See link below for 2024-2025 Bus Route TImes:

Current 2024-2025 Bus Routes

Current 2024-2025 Bus Routes (Thursday Early Dismissal)

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 dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager



I Believe: Athletics

Here are our coaches contact information:

CONTACTS:

- Volleyball coach, Char Chapman: cchapman@rcsnm.org
- Boys Soccer coach, Phil Frederickson: frederiksenphil@gmail.com
- Girls Soccer coach Neil Weeda: nweeda@rcsnm.org
- HS and MS Cross Country coach, Autumn Newell: ajnewell@rcsnm.org
- Middle School Volleyball coach, Candace Yazzie; cyazzie@rcsnm.org

FALL SPORTS Reminders:

Rehoboth Christian School requires a completed RCS sports packet with a physical form completed by a physician before official practices start. Packets will need to be reviewed by the Athletic Director to ensure everyone is cleared for participation for the 2024-25 school year.

Basketball Practice Starts: - November 18, 2024

<u>Devotionals for athletes</u>: https://www.fca.org/resources/personal-growth

A Biblical Approach to Parenting your Athlete: CLICK HERE

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Thursday, October 17	4pm Girls Soccer AWAY vs. Bosque 5 / 6pm - Volleyball AWAY vs. Hozho (JV,V)	
Friday, October 18	4pm Boys Soccer AWAY vs. Bosque	
Saturday, October 19	9:00 AM -HS Cross Country Meet- Albuquerque Academy 2:00 PM -A-2A Girls 2:40 PM - A-2A Boys	
Tuesday, October 22	5 /6 PM HS Volleyball HOME vs. Ramah(JV,V) 3:00 PM -Girls Soccer HOME vs. East Mountain (Time may be earlier) 5:00 PM - Boys Soccer HOME vs. East Mountain (Time may be earlier)	
Thursday, October 24	4/5/6 PM HS Volleyball AWAY vs. Laguna Acoma (C, JV, V) 3:00 PM -Girls Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical(Time may be earlier) 5:00 PM -Boys Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical(Time may be earlier)	
Friday, October 25	3:00 PM -HS Cross Country Meet- Los Alamos 3:00 PM -JV Girls 3:35 PM - JV Boys 4:30 PM - Varsity Girls 5:05 pm - Varsity Boys	

Community Action

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.

MUMMY 5K RUN & WALK



OCTOBER 19, 2024

Bundle up and join us at the Fox Run Golf Course on October 19th for a fun and energizing 5K run/walk in support of the Community Pantry and its

MISSION TO ENSURE THAT NO CHILD GOES HUNGRY!



Pre-Register Now!

runsignup.com

**REGISTRATION ON DAY OF EVENT AGES 5-18 \$25 AND AGES 19-99 \$30

505 726-8068

T-Shirts: Available for the first 100 registrants
Prizes: Medals awarded to the top 3 men and women finishers
Refreshments: Enjoy fresh fruit at the finish line
Swag Bags: Given to the first 75 participants to cross the finish line



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