

Parent News OCTOBER 24, 2024



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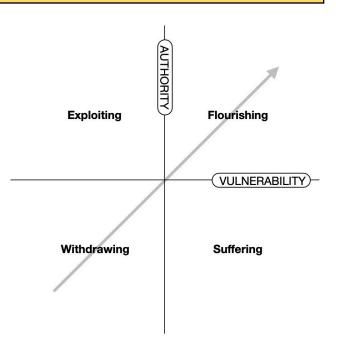
Dan Meester | Executive Director

I've written before about Andy Crouch's book, *Strong and Weak*, that I'm studying with our academic leaders this year. In the book, Crouch lays out a vision for how people live and interact in this world that focuses on two powerful factors.

The first is Authority - a person's capacity for meaning action. Think of this as the ability to make choices about your circumstances and change them if needed.

The second is Vulnerability - a person's exposure to meaningful risk. This can include emotional, relational, and even physical risk.

Crouch says that only with the right combination of <u>both</u> authority <u>and</u> vulnerability can people flourish as God intends. He goes on to show that people who try to accumulate power and authority while insulating themselves from vulnerability are ultimately exploiting others, causing them to bear the brunt of risk with no real ability to act meaningfully to help themselves and trapping them in a state of suffering.



But the pattern of life that follows God's design is one that moves up and to the right on the chart. As infants, we are withdrawn and protected from the world with no real ability to take action for ourselves, but also not being exposed to much risk, thanks to the care of our families. So our life journey (and the journey of education) is one that moves us up and to the right, and that's where a great partnership between home and school is so important. Working with you, we help give your children appropriate levels of choice (authority) while also being exposed to appropriate amounts of risk. That's how we learn to make decisions and be responsible for ourselves in the world.

This process isn't always smooth, and some of us battle the desire to move kids up too quickly, while others of us struggle with holding them back in safety too long. The good news is that we don't labor alone in these endeavors. We have each other, and we have the redemptive power of Jesus—the only one who can truly set us free from suffering, withdrawing, and from the tyranny of oppression. Maybe this chart can guide some family discussions for you or give you something to chew on as you think about your own parenting journey. I know it has challenged us!

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Tuesday, November 5 Blood Drive from 9:00am 1:00pm at the main gym.
- Monday, November 11 Veterans Day NO SCHOOL teacher in-service day
- Monday, November 18 Friday, November 22 Native American Heritage Week
- Wednesday, November 27 Friday, November 29 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

All School Announcements

High School English Teacher Update

We are grateful to Mrs. Jennifer Brown for her willingness to step into the HS English position so that Ms. Begay can take care of her family obligations. Mrs. Brown brings a career's worth of teaching experience into the role, and she is willing to stay on for the remainder of our school year, if needed. Please join us in giving her a warm welcome.

Blood Drive

The National Honor Society will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, November 5 from 9:00am - 1:00pm in the main gym. Walk-ins are welcome.

Elementary News

Toolbox Thursday

I hope you hear the words "Let the little things go!" often this week as we learn more about the Garbage Can Tool. Our days are much more enjoyable when we learn to trash things that don't give us joy. In your child (ren)'s folder/binders you will find Bingo Games or worksheets that help us decide if words or actions are little (trash them) or big (ask for help).

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

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.

Upcoming Events (MS only)

- 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.

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High School Highlights

Wednesday, October 23 was our high school service day. Rehoboth students were spread out from Fort Defiance to Albuquerque, and the students were engaged in all sorts of various necessary tasks that helped several great organizations. The students I spoke with at the end of the day appreciated that the day was different, there were no classes and that was good for them. With a few more questions many students began to understand and appreciate that the service oriented work they did was bringing them toward the call to a more beautiful life that Rehoboth offers. A Rehoboth education requires students to recognize the needs of those around, and recognizing those needs is not enough; a Rehoboth student must work with those in need. This shows Christ's transformative love; this is a bit of what is meant by Rehoboth's throughlines *Community Builders* and *Gospel Walkers*. I hope your student came home with a few great stories about service day, and you should definitely ask about what they did and how they benefited from that service they provided for our community.

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.

We had a successful college/career day last week. A big THANK YOU to all of our guest speakers that shared with our students about their specific careers. Also, THANK YOU to all the colleges that came out to share and provide information to our students about the different opportunities available to them after high school.

SAT Information

o If you have not paid your \$35.00 SAT fee, please do so as soon as possible. Score for the SAT will not be released until payment is received.

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 November 9, or March 7 during one of our FLC <u>Open House 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.

New Mexico Tech

Join New Mexico Tech for their annual Exploration Day on November 2, 2024. Please visit https://apply.nmt.edu/register/explore24 to register to attend. This will be an opportunity to explore your STEM interest with live experiments, and conversations with faculty.

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

The staff here in the Kitchen would like to thank all the volunteers that came in on Indigenous Day. The Staff, Students and all the trail raiders enjoyed the fry bread. We could not have done it without all the amazing Volunteers.

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 <u>danderson@rcsnm.org</u> 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 28 2024 to Nov. 01, 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oct 28, 2024	Oct 29, 2024	Oct 30, 2024	Oct 31, 2024	Nov 1, 2024
Cold Cereal, Fruit and	Sausage Biscuit and	Ham, Egg, Cheese on	Oatmeal w/ Raisins,	Bagels and Cream Cheese,
Milk	Gravy, Fruit and Milk	Croissant, Fruit and Milk	Granola Fruit and Milk	Fruit and Milk
Goulash w/ Meat Sauce, Cheese Bytes, Green Beans, Fruit, Reg.Choc Milk		Coleslaw with Pineapple	Tots, Baked Beans, Mixed	Pepperoni and Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Mixed Apples ,Reg and 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.

A few reminders to share:

- Window Rock Bus no longer utilizes the Ft. Defiance Hospital Bus Stop. The next nearest bus stop would be the Ft. Defiance Speedway Station.
- Crownpoint Bus may be delayed on some days as Road Construction continues on I-40 and in the surrounding area.
- Please make sure your contact information is up to date in our RENWEB System, as the winter weather conditions are near, our main source of communication is through RENWEB to relay information such as cancellations and delays.
- A friend reminder to be at your bus stop at least 10 minutes before scheduled time. Sometimes buses show up early due to not having to stop at certain bus stops in the PM Route.

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



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

WINTER SPORTS is almost here:

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 24	4/5/6 PM HS Volleyball AWAY vs. Laguna Acoma (C,JV,V) 2:30 PM -Girls Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical 4:30 PM -Boys Soccer HOME vs. Cottonwood Classical	
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	
Tuesday, October 29	4/ 5 PM - Volleyball HOME vs. Dulce (JV,V) NMAA Boys State Soccer Playoffs (TBD)	
Thursday, October 31	5/ 6PM - Volleyball HOME vs. Navajo Pine (JV,V)	

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.









Race begins at 8:00 AM NTU Wellness Center, Crownpoint, NM

T-SHIRT FOR **PARTICIPANTS**



FOR MORE INFORMATION: BRENDA YAZZIE (P) 505-387-7401 505-488-3722 B.YAZZIE@NAVAJOTECH.EDU IT BEGINS FROM WITHIN **CONNECT WITH US!**





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