

Parent News October 26, 2023



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I am so thankful for the Red Ribbon drug awareness week that is being held by the Elementary and Middle School students. I have heard of conversations that are happening both in the classrooms and at home as a result of the events planned by the counselors of the Elementary and Middle School students. When our children are young and excitedly participating in the events of Red Ribbon week, it is hard to imagine that their lives may someday be upended by addiction. Unfortunately, too many of us know the reality of loved ones and friends whose lives have been decimated by drug use and we desperately pray for the protection of our children. While addiction is a complicated thing, we pray that events like Red Ribbon week will help children and youth be more aware of the dangers of drug usage and the pathways to healthy living.

Bob Ippel

Rehoboth Christian School Executive Director

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- Tuesday, November 7 4:00pm-7:00pm Mid School Mall
- Wednesday, November 22- Friday, November 24 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

### **All School Announcements**

### High School Principal

Because Mr. Meester will be moving into the role of Executive Director in the 2024-25 school year, Rehoboth is looking for a High School principal for next year. Please spread the word! The job description and application can be found <u>HERE</u>. Please pray for this process. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Ippel or Dan Meester.

### **Business Office**

Monthly statements for November will be sent through Renweb next week, please check your email. October payments are due by October 27. We are thankful for your support by paying your tuition promptly and for communicating with us concerning your situation. If you have any changing circumstances which would cause a delay of your monthly payment, please contact <u>adminsec@rcsnm.org</u> or call our office at 505-726-9635.

### Job Openings

We are looking for a Part-Time Custodian for our Administration/Food Service area. We are also looking for bus driversfull time and/or subs, and always looking for substitute teachers.

Please check out our <u>WEBSITE</u> and apply today! Call 505-863-4412 if you have any questions.

### <u> Special Parent Event - Wednesday, Nov 1</u>

All Rehoboth parents, staff, and community members are invited to come to a special event on Wednesday, November 1 at Rehoboth Christian High School from 6pm-7pm. Keith Blystra will be visiting Rehoboth to train our Bible teachers, and he is an expert teacher of the Bible with a passion for equipping parents and adults to share God's Word with children. Come for an action-packed hour of ideas for making the Bible come alive at home in ways that will be meaningful for the whole family. Feel free to invite friends or church members as well.

### National Honor Society Blood Drive

Thursday, November 2, the National Honor Society will be hosting a blood drive from 10:00am - 2:00pm in the SFC. See the attached flier on page 19.

### Thanks for Your Help! Elementary/Middle School Drop Off and PreK Drop Off

Thanks for helping us reserve the Elementary Parking Lot for PreK families from 7:45-8:15 daily. This has really helped our 55 PreK families who must daily park their cars and walk their students to their classrooms. These families have a parking permit which allows them to use the parking lot during that time. The parking and walking was much safer this past week as we have implemented this policy. Thanks for your help!

### Lynx Gift Shop



Stop by to get your Lynx and Rehoboth Christian apparel, water bottles, lanyards and much more!

We have new items available in our Lynx gift shop located in the Administration Office. You can stop by during our Administration Hours from 8 am-4 pm.

We have hoodies, long sleeve shirts and jackets available as the weather is getting colder!

### **Elementary News**

### Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 21 All School Thanksgiving Chapel, 8:20am (families welcome to attend)
- Nov. 22-24 Thanksgiving Break

### Toolbox Thursday: Personal Space Tool

Personal space refers to the area around us that we consider our own. It's like an invisible bubble or boundary that surrounds our body. Using the personal space tool is about **respecting** someone's privacy and giving them enough room to feel comfortable. The Thursday handout will provide more information and ideas to practice. **Leanne Gillson** 

### Pokémon Cards

We like to encourage students to explore passions and interests, to develop interdependence with one another, and learn to use free time responsibly. However the trading of and playing with Pokémon cards has become a point of contention, exclusive, and ultimately is taking away from student learning. For these reasons, we are asking that students no longer bring their cards to school. Thank you for your support in this matter!

### **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.

### **Middle School Matters**

### **Upcoming Dates**

- Nov. 7 Mid School Mall 4pm-7pm (End of 7th & 8th grade Business unit)
- Nov. 8 Honor Band Auditions, 3:10-5:45, Band room
- Nov. 13-17 Native American Heritage Week
- Nov. 21 All School Thanksgiving Chapel, 8:20am (families welcome to attend)
- Nov. 22-24 Thanksgiving Break

### Four Corners Honor Choir

Next Thursday, some of our students will be traveling to Farmington to participate in the Four Corners Honor Choir. If you see these students, encourage them as they are working hard to memorize five pieces in a short period of time!

Lily Cavanaugh Ellen Zwiers Sam Newell Simon Frederiksen Olivia Null Evie DeYoung Rey Clauschee

### **High School Highlights**

### God Cares about our Mental Health

This week in chapel, Mr. Daniel Ensign (RCHS Counselor) shared with all of our students some strategies for protecting and preserving their mental health. Students practiced a few grounding exercises and were encouraged by the messages from the Bible that show God's heart for our mental and emotional well being. Mr. Ensign reminded students that the Lord is strong enough to hear our complaints and cries, so we don't need to hold those back from him. We are never facing hard times alone, and that He can provide us with the hope that we need–not just to endure, but to rise up in strength. If, as a parent, you are interested in some of the techniques Mr. Ensign shared to help students get through moments of stress and anxiety, he would love to share those resources with you. You can email him at <u>densign@rcsnm.org</u>.

### **Reading the Bible as a Family**

All Rehoboth parents, staff, and community members are invited to come to a special event on Wednesday, November 1 at Rehoboth Christian High School from 6pm-7pm. Keith Blystra will be visiting Rehoboth to train our Bible teachers, and he is an expert teacher of the Bible with a passion for equipping parents and adults to share God's Word with children. Come for an action-packed hour of ideas for making the Bible come alive at home in ways that will be meaningful for the whole family. Feel free to invite friends or church members as well. See page 15 for a flier of the event.

### Special Opportunity for RCHS Seniors and Their Families

Next week, our seniors will have a special presenter in their Senior Seminar classes. Karin Admiraal is a college success coach from Cincinnati who will take our students through a free training program about how to start successfully in college, even when the safeguards of high school are no longer in place. She will also follow up individually with each student over zoom in the spring to see how their decision for college is going and brainstorm a specific plan with them for their success. As part of her time here on campus, Ms. Admiraal will host an evening event for seniors and their parents on <u>Thursday</u>. November 2 at 5:30pm. Save the date!

### Winter Sports Season Coming

Official practice for boys and girls basketball begins on Monday, November 20. In order to participate, all athletes must have a physical on file from within the last 12 months. If you did not get a physical to play fall sports, you have a few weeks to get one scheduled in order to come out for basketball.

### All School Chapel on November 21

Parents, you're invited to attend our all-school chapel on the morning of Tuesday, November 21. That is the last day of class before Thanksgiving break. We will be having a chapel to learn about the Biblical Festival of Sukkot, which served as a form of Thanksgiving for God's people. We should start around 8:20 AM in the LC, and we'd love for you to join us.

### Dan Meester, RCHS Principal

### **High School Counselor's Corner**

### **RCS Senior Information**

Karin Admiraal is a college success coach and will share information with our students and families about the transition into college. Please come out to join the event on Thursday, November 2, 2023 in the LC.

We will have a special guest Karin Admiraal from The Well-Ordered Mind present in our senior seminar class next week.

### Senior Class Presentations

We would like to invite family and friends to the 2023-2024 senior class "Who Am I" presentations on December 4, 2023 and December 5, 2023. Listed below are the dates and times students will present. It has been an honor to be able to get to know each student and their families through each presentation. Mark your calendars, we look forward to seeing you!

### Monday, December 4, 2023

### Room 118 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Garrett Balok, Jayna Becenti, Nathanael Bell, Liam Bia, Elysia Choudhrie, and Emily Garcia. **Room 208 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM** Maegan Odom, Lily Philips, Alieda Zylstra, Kalev Isaacson, Brandon Patrick, and Caleb Clauschee. **Room 118 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM** Justice Begay, Garrett Cayaditto, Atarah Damon, Nehamiah Hardy, Hendrick Ippel, and Raeden West. **Room 208 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM** Deondre Joe, Juliana Meester, Xavier Nelson, Cheyenne Seciwa, Matthew Toledo, and Kaleb Vail.

### Tuesday, December 5, 2023

### Room 118 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Kaylee Becenti, Shandiin Benson, Elizabeth Brochey, Nicolas Endito, McKenzie Gilmore, and Fabian Heredia.

### Room 208 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Chloe Harvey, Jordyn Holtsoi-Henry, Cayleen Hurley, Jayme Ide, and Abrianna Joe.

### Room 118 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Piper Tsosie, Garrrett VanSlooten, Alexander Leggett, Haiden Schanefelt, Frank Tah, and Evin Toddy.

### **FAFSA Application**

The 2024-2025 FAFSA application will open in December. There will be a FAFSA night held to help families apply, please look out for more details in late November or early December.

### Scholarship Update

- Navajo Nation Scholarship Application will open on March 15, 2024.
- First Financial Scholarship will open April 2024.
- Continental Divide Electric Scholarship will open March 2024.
- Elks Scholarship Application is currently open. The application closing date is in November.
- American Indian College Fund Scholarship application is open now. Visit <u>scholarships@collegefund.org</u>

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or stop by my office.

### Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

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### Inside Scoop

Community Life & Admissions

### District code in Family Portal is: RE-NM Family Portal: <u>https://re-nm.client.renweb.com/pwr/</u>

**Fall Donor Scholarship application is here!:** You can find the scholarships on <u>our website here</u>. Applications are also available. Applications will be available at each school with Ms. Peywa in the EL/MS and Miss Begay in the HS to pick up. Some scholarships require a pastor's recommendation and a parent response but all do have an essay required from the student. Reminder they are due by October 30.

**Tuition payments & Scholarships:** A reminder that every month, a tuition payment needs to be paid. You can make your payments by phone through credit (505-863-4412), at our administration building, mail in payment, or use our free service of <u>FACTS</u>. Every credit card payment has a fee.

If there are circumstances that are making it difficult for you to pay your tuition, you can apply for the <u>LYNX</u> <u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u>.

### Verlena J. Livingston I Dir. of Community Life I vlivingston@rcsnm.org

### Parent Volunteer Program (PVP) CLICK HERE TO RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

### Here are opportunities:

- 1. Serve lunch in the Fellowship Hall from 11:15 am-1:00 pm each day. Any day Monday through Friday.
- 2. Anyone interested in providing a meal for a board meeting this school year. This would count for all 10 hours that you would need for the school year.

If you brought any snacks for your child's class or donated food for the teachers/staff for PTC. Please be sure to fill out the parent volunteer link to log those hours. If hours are not reported through the link above, we cannot record the hours to your Family Portal for you to track. If you have any questions about volunteering please don't hesitate to contact me.



Deanna Benson I Volunteer Coordinator I dbenson@rcsnm.org I (505) 726-9603

### **Food Service Line**

From the Kitchen : Our Kitchen staff continues to serve delicious and nutritious meals to our students . I want to thank them for monitoring the students during lunches. It has been a huge help .

Unfortunately, family volunteers must have a current food handlers card on file with the kitchen. If you don't have a food handlers card yet and want to volunteer to serve, we can help you find online resources to meet the requirement.

Thank you staff and volunteers, at the amazing job you all do here at the lunch line. Blessings from the Kitchen. If you have any questions, concerns, or any ideas, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>danderson@rcsnm.org</u>

### 2 Corinthians 5:7 " For we live by faith, not by sight "

Now down to business.

We need servers now, more than ever, please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org, if you can do your volunteer hours by serving lunch. It is the BEST job on campus, kids LOVE to be fed!

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, remembering they can speak up & turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray, one being a fruit or vegetable!

### ALL kids eat FREE! Take advantage! 🙂

Menu week of October 30 to November 03 2023						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Oct. 30	Oct. 31	Nov. 01	Nov. 02	Nov. 03		
Pancake Wrap, Syrup, Fruit, Milk	Sausage, Egg Biscuit, Hash Brown, Fruit , Milk	Mini Waffles with Berries, Milk	Yogurt cups , Fruit, Milk	Empanada, Fruit, Juice, Milk		
-	Mozzarella, Curly Seasoned Fries,	Hot dogs with Chili Beans , Tater Tots, Fruits, Choc Cookie, Milk	corn, fruit, milk	Roasted Drumstick WG rolls, mashed potato, hot veggie fruit , Milk		

### Menu Week of October 30 to November 03 2023

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

### In Gear : Transportation

### Deuteronomy 31:8

The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

Greetings,

- We are already near the end of October! As much as Road Construction bothers and delays our travel, we are grateful for the road improvements that will benefit the longevity of our school buses and fleet. We will continue to inform you of any bus stop changes due to Road Construction closures or delays.
- A reminder to please be at the scheduled bus stop 5-10 minutes prior to the scheduled time.
- Transportation Dept thanks Parents and Students for their continued gratitude and respect towards the School Bus and the Bus Driver.



### See link below for 2023-2024 Bus Route Times:

### Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes

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 (505)726-9622 | dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org



### **I Believe: Athletics**

**For the Athlete:** I do not trust in myself. I do not boast in my abilities or believe in my own strength. I rely solely on the power of God. I compete for the pleasure of my heavenly father, the honor of Christ, and the reputation of the Holy Spirit.

**Devotionals:** Here is a link for your son or daughter that pertains to student-athletes and their journey that comes with challenges and joys. If Devotions are new to you and your child, please see Mr. Pete, to assist and start that process and some easy steps in studying God's Word to grow and build a solid foundation. <u>RCS Student-Athletes Devotionals</u>



Prayer Request: Please see attached a Prayer Card to pray for our athletes and coaches every day. Reminder: "MORE PRAYER, MORE POWER, LESS PRAYER, LESS POWER." <u>fcaprayercard.pdf</u>

**Basketball Season:** Basketball is coming soon, If your child is interested please make sure they have their RCS Sports Packets completed. For middle school, please have them register with Mr. Arendsen during the exploratory sign ups. For High School, please see Coach Zwiers for HS Boys Basketball and Coach Pete for HS Girls Basketball.

DATE	HS SPORTS	MS SPORTS	
Thursday, October 26	<ul> <li>4:00pm - Volleyball AWAY vs. Laguna Acoma (C,JV,V)</li> <li>4:00pm - Boys Soccer AWAY vs. Oak Grove</li> <li>4:00pm - Girls Soccer HOME vs. Navajo Prep</li> </ul>		
Friday, October 27	<ul> <li>3:00pm - Kirtland Central Cross Country Meet</li> <li>3:30pm Varsity Girls</li> <li>4:00pm Varsity Boys</li> <li>4:35pm JV Girls</li> <li>5:15pm JV Boys</li> </ul>		
Saturday, October 28	11:30am - Boys Soccer HOME vs. Oak Grove		
Tuesday, October 31	5:00pm - 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 <u>adminsec@rcsnm.org</u> by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.



### LITTLE BELLAS

This is primarily for women and girls but is open to families. They do have kids bikes and helmets available.









Guest Speaker: KEITH BLYSTRA

# HOW TO READ THE BBBLE WELL AS A

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST 6:00-7:00 PM REHOBOTH HIGH SCHOOL LC

Come for an action-packed hour of ideas for making the Bible come alive at home in ways that will be meaningful for the whole family



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

# Holiday Craft and Baked Goods Sale

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 9 AM - 2 PM BETHANY CHURCH 1110 SOUTH STRONG DR. (CORNER OF STRONG AND PHILIPINA)

> Get ready to do your Christmas shopping and stock your freezer with goodies for the holiday! Delicious baked goods, breakfast, and lunch items will be available at the concession stand.



#### NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY DECEMBER 16, 2023

Wreaths Across America is a program which began in 1992 with the placing of wreaths on seldom visited veterans' graves in a remote section of Arlington National Cemetery. It has since grown to be simultaneous ceremonies which take place all across America and on certain foreign shores in order to **Remember** and **Honor** all those who have served in the military of this great country as well as to **Teach** our youth about the importance and cost of the individual freedoms which we hold dear. Each December on National Wreaths Across America Day, our mission to **Remember, Honor** and **Teach** is carried out by coordinating wreath laying ceremonies at Arlington National cemetery, as well as at more than 1,600 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

Our goal is to remember and honor approximately 120 veterans whose final resting place is in the Rehoboth cemetery. The wreath laying ceremony will take place December 16, 2023 at 10:00 am, at the Gallup Courthouse Plaza after which families and volunteers will disburse to cemeteries in Gallup and at Rehoboth to place wreaths on Veteran's graves.

Wreath sponsors and Volunteers are essential in order for the Wreaths Across America program to succeed. Sponsors can pay for as many wreaths as they choose at a cost of \$17.00 each. Volunteers can serve by placing wreaths, after the ceremony, on the grave sites of veterans who do not have family available to place them. If you would like to serve by sponsoring and/or volunteering, please contact Angela Barker @ (575)779-4444 or Melvina Musket @ (505)879-0077.

Corporate Sponsors are also needed to sponsor additional wreaths for graves of veterans. If you would like to serve as a Corporate sponsor, please contact Janice Bradley at <u>janiceb43@me.com</u>.

The deadline to sponsor wreaths is November 28, 2023.

Wreaths Across America is a 501 (c) (3) non profit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath laying ceremony begun at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

### **SPEECH & HEARING CLINIC**

#### CALVIN UNIVERSITY



### ABOUT US

Calvin Speech & Hearing Clinic provides donation-based speech, language, cognitive, and swallowing services. Calvin's Speech-Language Pathology graduate students work with clients while supervised by certified and licensed speech-language pathologists. Individual and group treatment are available in-person on the Grand Rapids campus and virtually via a HIPAA-compliant platform. Although our clinic serves as a learning experience for graduate students, it is our mission to provide quality and comprehensive speech, language, and swallowing services.

### **OUR SERVICES**

Diagnoses we see include:

Concussion

**Brain Injury** 

**Genetic Disorders** 

Head/Neck Cancer

**Developmental Delays** 

Post-Cochlear Implant

Cleft Lip and/or Palate

Stroke

Autism

- We evaluate and treat:
- Voice and Resonance
- Cognition
- Speech Sound Production Expressive and Receptive
- Language
- Social Communication
- Stuttering/Fluency
- **Hearing Loss**
- Swallowing and Feeding
- Augmentative and
- Parkinson's Disease Alternative Communication ...and many more .

### TO APPLY

No referral needed! Complete a case history form on our website (www.calvin.edu/go/speechclinic). Placement in our Speech and Hearing Clinic is in high demand due to the high quality of therapy we provide on a donation only basis. We maintain a wait list yearround and will contact you as soon as an opening is available.

### SUPPORT US

Your donations help make this quality care available at no cost to our clients!

Make a Donation at www.calvin.edu/go/supportspeech

**Our Mission** 

The Speech and Hearing Clinic operates on a 12-week semester schedule. Clients must commit to meet for a scheduled day and time each week throughout the semester.

FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	
Mid-September through early December	Late January though April	Early June through Early August	



### CONTACT US

Calvin Speech & Hearing Clinic Calvin University, North Hall 3201 Burton St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546

616.526.6070 - SPAUD@calvin.edu www.calvin.edu/go/speechclinic

#### **Our Commitment**

The mission of Calvin's Speech Pathology and Audiology program is to prepare students for the vocation of speech-language pathology within a liberal arts foundation. We specifically seek to provide a faith-based, academically rigorous program that educates our students to have the essential knowledge, clinical skills, and reflective practices that enable them to improve their service to others, to be intentional advocates for individuals who have communicative disorders, to know, appreciate and respect cultural and linguistic traditions in a diverse world, and to become successful leaders.

The Calvin University Speech Pathology and Audiology Program is committed to the principle of equal opportunity. We do not discriminate on the delivery of professional services on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national or ethnic origin, disability, age, sexual orientation, genetic information, citizenship, status as a covered veteran, or other characteristics protected by federal, state, or local statue or ordinance.

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# College Success Skills Parent Information Session

Help prepare your student for a successful transition to college



**Snacks provided!** 

Q&A time following the presentation



If you have a question or a topic you want to make sure is addressed, please submit it by Wednesday, Nov. 1, to admiraalkarin@gmail.com. I will do my best to provide an answer!



# BLOODDRIVE

Because of you...

life doesn't stop

## Rehoboth Christian School Gym





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Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

> 211 Tse Yaaniichi St Rehoboth, NM

For Appointments Contact Kevin Zwiers 505-726-9632

16 years old Student need a signed Parent Permission Form

Make sure you Eat a Good Meal, Drink A Lot of Water

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Bring your Student ID or Driver's License



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