

Parent News October 30, 2025



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

Has everything been going well for you lately? Or have there been moments of frustration or failure?

It's easy for us to latch on to those hard times and tell ourselves that we can't make it. We're not talented enough or smart enough to deliver excellence for ourselves, our families, or others. Once we fall under the spell of those narratives, all kinds of obstacles pop up in our way, and it becomes even harder than before to find success.

But here's a secret: There's nobody—no doctor, lawyer, CEO, pastor, teacher, clerk, salesman, artist, mechanic, father, wife, son, or daughter—who doesn't make mistakes.

We're all flawed.

And here's another secret: It's not our strength that matters. Anything good we aspire to do in this life is blessed and guided by God, and it's *His* strength, wisdom, and steadfastness that will see us through. And when we stumble, make mistakes, or even purposefully fall short of who He has called us to be, He is waiting to pick us back up, dust us off, and set us back on the right path.

I remember a pastor who preached a sermon at a childhood Christian family camp we attended. He told a story about the prized roses his father cultivated in their greenhouse when he was young. One day, when his father was away, it was his job to open the vents of the greenhouse at the right time to make sure the temperature inside stayed at its optimal level. Well, he forgot to do the task, and it got way too warm in the greenhouse, killing every single rose in the collection.

More than 10 years of hard work wiped away in one afternoon.

The pastor felt awful and apologized through tears to his father when he arrived back home. "That was when I really learned the meaning of forgiveness," he said. "I knew my father wasn't holding my failure against me, because he never ... mentioned ... it ... again."

God is like that with us too. "As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us," says the Psalmist.

God is willing to forgive and forget with us. If we can learn to do the same with each other and, most importantly, with ourselves . . . if we can learn from our mistakes but let the shame and anxiety fall off our shoulders, we'll be able to live more freely and fully into the people the Lord created us to be. That's my prayer for each of us today. May it be so.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Tuesday, November 11 Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL, Staff In-Service Day
- Monday, November 24 -STEWdis Movie Night 5:30 pm more details to come soon
- Wednesday Friday, November 26-28, NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

All School Announcements

From the Business Office

As we start the second quarter we hope to see the <u>first quarter balances paid</u>. Please stop by the administration building to make a tuition payment, call in a payment or pay online through FACTS.

If you have had any income changes or if any unforeseen circumstances have happened please communicate with the business office at cbia@rcsnm.org or adminisec@rcsnm.org or stop by the office.

Communication with the business office about your tuition balance is appreciated.

Thank you.

Job Openings

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

Please go <u>HERE</u> for more information and an application.

Thank you.

Food Help for Families & Students

With SNAP benefits set to run out this weekend and with the uncertainty of how long the government will remain shut down, we wanted to reach out and communicate with you about a few things.

- Free lunch <u>and</u> breakfast are available for all Rehoboth students every day. Don't forget to have your children take advantage of these meals.
- We will provide a stock of grocery gift cards at the main admin office for anyone who needs some extra funds to use for groceries as needed. Please feel free to stop by if you need some extra assistance.
- We also provide weekend foodboxes for families who might need that kind of assistance. You can talk to any one of our counselors or principals if you'd like to receive help.

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.

Explora Family Night

Save Monday, November 10th from 5-7pm on your calendars! We will be hosting a night of Explora activities that you and your family can enjoy. This is also the same night as the High School's Celebration of Learning. More info will be coming soon.

Breathing Tool

Sometimes we feel emotions that are so big that they can make us do or stop doing things without really meaning to. For example, when we're very mad, we can say things that make our friends feel bad. Or when we feel very scared, we can stop participating in games that we like a lot. Even when we're very happy and excited, we can talk nonstop and move around a lot.

We can use the Breathing Tool to help us manage emotions. We can also use this tool in conjunction with the Words tool-- we can Stop, Pause, Breathe, and Use words to share what you need.

Even as adults, we can let things overwhelm us, "but the truth is, no amount of worry ever does us any good." God calls us to cast our burdens on Him. <u>Click here</u> for a little devotion (from Jennifer Tucker in her book, Breath As Prayer) and words to say the next time you take a calming breath.

Here are 10 Reasons Why to Take a Breath and different ways to Practice Breathing.

Middle School Matters

This Coming Week:

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

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Business Unit

One part of what makes a Rehoboth Middle school experience unique is that our teachers collaborate with each other every year to teach an integrated unit of study. An integrated unit has a themed focus that can be taught across disciplines. Last year we taught *The Water Unit* for the first time. This year, we will be teaching the *Business Unit*. To kick off our unit, we pique students' interest in financial literacy by creating a simulation experience that asks students to manage the finances of a household. This simulation was this past Monday; ask your student about their experience!

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Upcoming Events (MS only)

High School Highlights

Girls Soccer State Tournament & Our State Tournament Referee

Our Girls soccer team has qualified for the State Tournament and will play their quarterfinal match against Cottonwood Classical Academy on Friday, October 31 at 2:30. The match will be at the Mesa Del Sol Soccer Complex in Albuquerque. Congratulations girls, we are all incredibly proud of you and your great season, and we are looking forward to the match.

Steve Terborg, our high school art teacher, has been chosen as a referee for the State Tournament. He is extremely excited (and a bit nervous) to be recognized as a referee, and we on the high school staff know that he will do a great job in the matches that he will officiate.

Kids Eat Free

Every student gets a free lunch and breakfast at Rehoboth every school day. We will continue to provide these free and nutritious meals in the days ahead. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

SAT & PSAT Results Coming Soon!

High school students took the SAT or PSAT on Wednesday, October 15. The results of this test will be emailed to your student and to us here at school some time in November. Please encourage your student to show you these results; the results are much more than a score. The test is broken down into several sections, and the sections are broken down into several different skills. The results page even has links to explain what those skills are and what could help your student improve in those particular skills. The results will also include a score, and that score is part of a percentile. That number reflects your student's place in the group of all students who took the PSAT/SAT. If you need help navigating through those results or you or your student did not get those results, please contact Ms. Lynch or Mr. Weidenaar.

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.

Mr. Ha's American Literature class read *Boxers and Saints* by Gene Luen Yang during the first quarter. This graphic novel tells the story of the Boxer Rebellion from the perspective of two different people who experienced this event very differently. Mr. Ha asked his class to create comics that depicted an important turning point in their lives, and students wrote about the change that these events brought to their lives, and the students were encouraged in the project and in the reading to think about the different perspectives that they can use to see their lives and the events

taking place around them. Here is one of these comics. These are the things you can see, read, and discuss at the celebration of learning on Monday, November 10.



Seth Weidenaar High School Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

Hello Parents and Guardians,

Important Reminders:

Senior Presentation Nights:

December 9th and 10th. We are excited to invite families and friends to attend Senior Presentation Nights on Tuesday, December 9th, and Wednesday, December 10th. There will be 2 sessions each night.

Session 1: 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Session 2: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

The events will showcase the hard work and achievements of our seniors. We look forward to sharing their accomplishments with you.

Diploma Name Verification

Please contact Mrs. Lynch to confirm how you would like your student's name printed on their diploma. Ensuring this information is accurate helps us prepare for a smooth graduation process.

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping our students.

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

Inside Scoop Community Life & Admissions

District code in Family Portal is: **RE-NM**

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

Update from Admissions

Admissions will be opening applications for the 2nd semester that starts on January 5th, 2026. Applications will be available on November 3rd. 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 at 505-726-9628 and speak with Kristen Rousseau, Admissions Coordinator. We are able to give quotes for tuition, campus tours and additional information. Thank you!



<u>Parent Volunteer Program (PVP):</u>

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



Thank you for completing your Parent Volunteer Hours:

- ★ Joanna Leggett
- ★ Francisca Palochak

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Lunch servers needed in the Fellowship Hall from 11:15am to 12:40 pm. Here is the LINK to sign up.

Snacks for afterschool program. Contact Sarah Marlowe for more details! **Purchasing an item** off our <u>RCS Staff Amazon Wish List</u>

Multicultural Committee News:

Here is an overview of our schedule for Native American Heritage Month which is set for November 10-14, 2025

Monday - Salute to Service Tuesday - NO SCHOOL Wednesday - MMIP/Red Day Thursday - Traditional Dress Day - Tradish Thursdays Friday - Rock Your Mocs

Mondays - Designated T-shirt Days

November 3 - Native T-shirt Day November 10 - Salute to Service T-shirt Day November 17 - Rez Slang T-shirt Day

November 24 - Clan T-shirt Day

Fridays - "Rock Your Moc Fridays"

STEWdis Movie Night - Monday, November 24 5:30 PM Dinner 6:00 PM Movie (TBA)

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. The hours you dedicate can go towards your volunteer hours. For more information, you are welcome to contact Verlena Livingston at vlivingston@rcsnm.org.

If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Rousseau at 505-726-9628, by email at krousseau@rcsnm.org or stop by my office at the administration building.

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

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

The month of November is already upon us and Thanksgiving Dinner has been planned for this year. The date and price is also listed. The menu is attached at the end of this newsletter.

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.

"Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; He will neither fail you nor abandon you". Deuteronomy 31:8



ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Nov. 3, ,2025 to Nov. 7 2025

Nov. 3, 2025	Nov. 4, 2025	Nov. 5, 2025	Nov. 6, 2025	Nov. 7, 2025
Pancake on a Stick , Fruit and Milk	Sausage , Egg Cheese Croissant , Fruit and Milk	Cream of Wheat , Fruit and Milk	Bagels w/ Cream Cheese, Fruit and Milk	Mini Waffles, Syrup , Fruit and Milk
Salisbury Steak , Mashed potato, Gravy and Roll, Corn, Fruit and Milk	Popcorn Chicken , Oven Fries, Peas/ Carrots, Fruit and Milk	Chili Beans w/ Cornbread Stars, Rice Krispies, Fruit and Milk	Chicken drumsticks, Gravy over Rice, Normandy Blend, Fruit and Milk	Pepperoni and Cheese Pizza , Toss Salad, Cookie, Fruit and Milk

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.

Greetings, as the weather is getting colder in the mornings, rest assured our heaters in the buses are in working order and provide students with heat. I would like to remind everyone to please be on time or early to your bus stop to pick up your child, being late means that the bus will be delayed to the following bus stops. Lastly, we are still in need of substitute bus-drivers, this is an on-call basis and there is an hourly guarantee, for more information, please contact me. Continue to be safe and please wear your seatbelts.

Transportation Updates:

- Bus #3 is back enroute for the Central Gallup Bus Route
- Any lost items on the bus will be turned over to the High School at the lost and found location.



WE NEED SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS



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

I Believe: Athletics

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

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 30	5 /6 pm HS Volleyball HOME vs. Navajo Pine (JV,V)	
Friday, October 31	2:30 pm - HS Girls Soccer AWAY vs. Cottonwood Classical @Mesa Del Sol (state quarterfinals) 3:00 pm -HS District Cross Country Meet @ Ramah High School	
Tuesday, November 4	5 /6 pm HS Volleyball HOME vs. Hozho(JV,V) HS Girls Soccer AWAY semifinals (TBD)	
Thursday, November 6	5 /6 pm HS Volleyball AWAY vs. Ramah (JV,V)	

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:

November 1 - Library- Teen Book Club 5:00 - 6:00 pm

November 4-5 - Free Parent Meetings to help your student succeed in college.

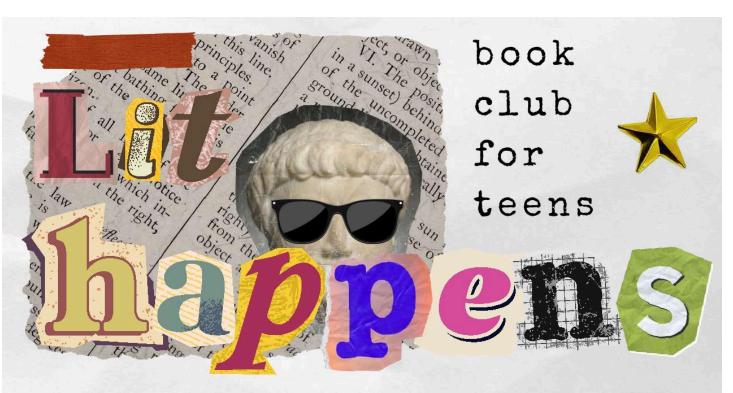
November 7 - Library Monster Bake-Off 6- 9pm for ages 12-18

November 10 -14 - Native American Heritage Week

November 15 - Bethany Church Craft Fair 9 - 2pm

November 19 - RCS Thanksgiving Luncheon

December 6- Pyramid Trail Run 9:00 am (Track team fundraiser)



Register for a free copy of the book.

Discussions will take blandit volute ales ut etic place at the Children & Youth Library

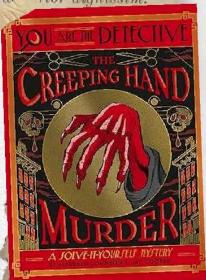
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Register here or for more information email pneilson@gallupnm.gov (505) 863-1291

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- What should you expect as a parent of a college student?
- How can you support your student in college?
- What campus resources should your student be connecting to?
- How can you help your student prioritize what is important?
- Your questions and concerns

November 4-5

RCHS LC

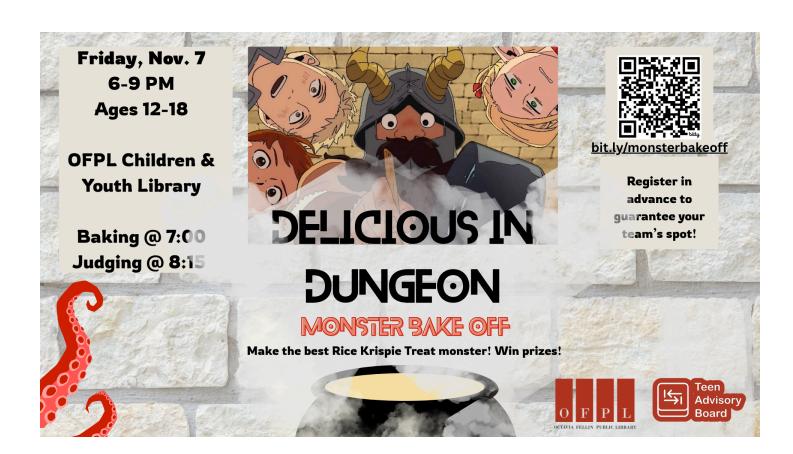
Stop by for resources and Q&A Tuesday and Wednesday, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Schedule an individual appointment November 3-7: Email admiraalkarin@gmail.com

Karin Admiraal, Ed.D.

Karin has been a college professor, first-year experience program director, academic advisor, success coach, and tutor. She also has seen her three children graduate from high school, transition to college, and earn a degree.





Some of our Rehoboth students are on the teen advisory board that is helping plan this event.

November is Native American Heritage Month



NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE WEEK NOV. 10-14



NOV 10 SALUTE TO SERVICE T-SHIRT DAY

Wear camo or a service t-shirt in honor of the U.S. military

Nov. 11 Veterans Day - No School



NOV

MMIP/RED DAY

Wear red and help bring awareness to thousands of Missing and Murdered Indigenous People.



NOV 13

TRADITIONAL DRESS DAY

Wear traditional attire for the day.



NOV 14

ROCK YOUR MOCS

Wear moccasins in celebration and honor of the many tribal nations in the U.S.

T-SHIRT MONDAYS

EVERY MONDAY IS NATIVE T-SHIRT DAY **NOV. 3 - NATIVE T-SHIRT DAY**

NOV. 10 - SALUTE TO SERVICE T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 17 - REZ SLANG T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 24 - CLAN T-SHIRT DAY

ROCK YOUR MOCS ALL MONTH LONG!

Showcase Traditional Jewelry & Hair Styles throughout the month



Holiday Craft and Baked Goods Sale

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

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.



RCS Thanksgiving Luncheon 2025

DATE: 11/19/2025

TIME: 11:30 AM

COST: 10.00 PER PERSON

RCS STUDENTS AT NORMAL COST (free)

MENU:

Turkey and Dressings

Mashed Potato w/ Gravy

Green Beans, Dinner Rolls

Cranberry Sauce, Loaded Yams

Pumpkin Bars w/ Cool Whip

Milk and Chocolate Milk



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025 Red Rock Park

825 Outlaw Rd Churchrock, NM 87311

ONSITE REGISTRATION 7:00 AM-8:45 AM

PACKET PICKUP BEGINS 7:00 AM

RUN BEGINS 9:00 AM





FUNDRAISER FOR REHOBOTH TRACK TEAM REGISTRATION \$30.00

\$40.00 AFTER NOV. 21

REGISTER ONLINE SCAN CODE

