



Parent News

November 14, 2024



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

There's a story about a professor who wanted to teach his students an object lesson. He placed a huge jar on the counter in his classroom and proceeded to fill it with large rocks. When the rocks had reached the top of the jar, he turned to the class and asked, "Is the jar full?"

"Yes," they replied.

The professor then took several handfuls of small pebbles and poured them into the jar, shaking it as he did. The pebbles slipped through the cracks and filled the spaces between the rocks. Again, the professor turned to the class and asked, "Is the jar full now?"

Unsure this time, the students answered, "No, we don't think so."

"You're right," said their professor.

He then poured a bottle of sand into the jar that filled up the spaces that had been left between the pebbles. Once again, turning back to the group, he asked the same question. "Is it full now?"

"Yes, it's definitely full now," the class answered.

"Remember this lesson," he said. "The large rocks are the most important things in life—your faith, your family, your dreams, and your health. Those things need to take up the bulk of your time, your focus, and your attention. The pebbles are things like your job, entertainment, and hobbies. They bring us joy and can help those around us too. Finally, the sand. These are unimportant pursuits that find their way into any moment we have left over, like mindlessly scrolling through videos on your phone,"

Then the professor took everything out of the jar and tried filling it in reverse order. Sand first, then pebbles, and finally rocks. When done in that order, several of the big rocks sat on the counter, unable to fit into the jar at all.

"The lesson is to pay attention to your priorities," said the professor. If you put the meaningless things before the important things, you'll find yourself missing out on what truly matters." Christian education helps students understand something similar—that a strong love for the Lord and a life of service to Him must come first. May it be so for all of us!

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- **Tuesday, November 19** - REZ slang T-shirt day
- **Wednesday, November 20** - Thanksgiving Dinner 11:30am Fellowship Hall \$8.00 per person
- **Thursday, November 21** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 6:30pm
- **Friday, November 22** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 6:30pm
- **Saturday, November 23** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 1:00pm
- **Tuesday, November 26** - Clan T-shirt day
- **Wednesday, November 27 - Friday, November 29** - NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

All School Announcements

High School Play - *Anne of Green Gables*

Come see this year's RCHS drama production, *Anne of Green Gables*, on Thursday-Saturday, November 21-23. The Thursday and Friday shows will be at 6:30pm, and the Saturday show will be a 1:00pm matinee. Our directors and students always do a fantastic job, and you won't want to miss this! Tickets are on sale in the high school or the administration building. They are \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

Parent Volunteer Hours

Just a reminder that all families are required to do **10 hours** of volunteer service for the school year and to submit your hours. Each hour is worth \$15. Please refer to page 8 for ways to volunteer and also for the link to submitting your completed hours. We will be sending out a letter in December with the balance of your service hours completed.

If you have any questions please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9628.

Many thanks to the 33 families who have completed their hours.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Come join your students for a Thanksgiving Dinner on Wednesday, November 20 starting at 11:30am. It is \$8.00 per person. Please see attached menu at the end of this parent news.

ADVANCE NOTICE:

HS Choir Christmas Concert:

Saturday, December 14

4:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church

Refreshments in fellowship hall to follow



NOVEMBER IS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH



T-SHIRT TUESDAYS

EVERY TUESDAY IS
NATIVE T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 5 - NATIVE T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 12 - SALUTE TO SERVICE T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 19 - REZ SLANG T-SHIRT DAY

NOV. 26 - CLAN T-SHIRT DAY

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE WEEK NOV. 12-15

NOV. 11 VETERANS DAY - NO SCHOOL



NOV
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SALUTE TO SERVICE T-SHIRT DAY

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



NOV
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MMIP/RED DAY

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



NOV
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TRADITIONAL DRESS DAY

Come in your best traditional
attire for the day.



NOV
15

ROCK YOUR MOCS

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



SHOWCASE TRADITIONAL JEWELRY & HAIR STYLES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH



Elementary News

4th and 5th grade Christmas program

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, Dec. 18th at 6:00pm.

Cold Weather

Just a reminder that in the mornings we let students inside at 7:45am if the temperature is below 20 degrees. If it's windy, but between 20-30 degrees, we may also decide to let students in. These same guidelines help us determine if students go outside for morning and lunch recesses.

Toolbox Thursday

"The words of thoughtless people cut like swords; but the tongue of wise people brings healing." Proverbs 12:18. This verse became more real to us as we acted out skits involving hurting words being spoken and then pausing/rewinding and acting out the skit again using healing words. We learned that using the right words at the right time and in the right way strengthens our relationships.
Leanne Gillson

All- State Choirs

Congratulations to the following students who made

Elementary Choir

Annaliese Kass
Mateo Lebeck

Youth Treble Choir

Josa Blystra
Jelome Gandia
Anaya Ippel

All-State choir this year:

Youth Mixed Choir

Evie DeYoung
Malakai Nez
Elliot Kass
Isaiah Delgado
Myn Leggett
Joel Zwiers
Aliyah Sanchez
Jude Cavanaugh

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

Snow and Cold Weather

Just a reminder that in the mornings we let students inside at 7:45am if the temperature is below 20 degrees. If it's windy, but between 20-30 degrees, we may also decide to let students in. These same guidelines help us determine if students go outside for morning and lunch recesses.

MS Basketball Season

Basketball season has begun! Practices will always take place during our exploratory class period from 1:45pm-3:05pm on B Days. There are no after-school practices.

Upcoming Events (MS only)

- Dec. 5- MS Choir concert at 6:30pm
- Water Unit presentations for 7th and 8th graders- Dec. 12, 6:00-7:30pm

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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.

High School Highlights

This morning I went for a run around Valley Forge Historical Park outside Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Valley Forge was the encampment of the American army during some very grim days of the Revolutionary War. The site is set aside so that the sacrifice and cohesion of the soldiers as a group unified by the common belief in their cause could be remembered by future generations. Running around the park on a crisp morning was inspiring. While I ran, a song by Jason Isbell called *Cast Iron Skillet* came on my headphones. A line from the song stuck out, “he was sweet and soft (and he) shied away from the inside fastballs and died doing life without parole.” This line develops the metaphor of life’s hard decisions with a fastball dangerously close to one’s body, and what other dangers await if one does not face that hard decision with the correct resolve. I look at my life, and I am happy that Rehoboth helped me develop the resolve necessary to see life in a healthy way; my prayer is that Rehoboth does the same for your students. As I think about the challenges that lay in store for the end of this semester and next I can draw inspiration from those brave men camped out at Valley Forge.

Seth Weidenaar
High School Principal

All-State Choir

Congratulations to the following choir members who were selected for the

All-State Mixed Choir:

Christopher Armstrong
Lillith Briggs
Lily Cavanaugh
Rey Clauschee
Irelynn Delgado
Elijah Moses
Angela Sowers
Landon Watts

All-State Youth Mixed:

Ellen Zwiers

High School Counselor's Corner

Senior Class Presentation Nights

Seniors will present their "Who Am I" projects on Tuesday, December 10 and Wednesday, December 11. We will have 2 sessions of presentations each night. The first session will begin at 6:00 PM and the second session will begin at 7:05 PM. Please mark your calendars and see the schedule of presentation below.

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Room 208 (6:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

Xavi Andrade
Tyler Bonaguidi
Owen Hunter
Dario Milachay
Angela Sowers
Karlin Yazzie

Room 119 (6:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

Michael Begay
Jeremiah Charles
Adain Larson
Michael Murrow
Rachel Tahy
Meg Zwiers

Room 208 (7:05 PM to 8:05 PM)

Nyommi Begay
Azariah Damon
Megan Livingston
Tom Rogers
Kristian Touchine

Room 119 (7:05 PM to 8:05 PM)

Sevi Birky
Mazey Day
CJ Mariano
Duvi Sanchez
Zach Van Drunen

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Room 208 (6:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

Jakob Alexander
John Bitsilly
Hailey Haven
Rocco Mike
Talan Shirley
Riley Yazzie

Room 119 (6:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

Morgan Arsenault
Lilly Briggs
Mariah Johnson
Matthew Olguin
Kadijah Staley

Room 208 (7:05 PM to 8:05 PM)

Katherine Baldonado
Zoe Claw
Charity Lincoln
Logan Otero
Liv Tutt

Room 119 (7:05 PM to 8:05 PM)

Sialim Benson
Rhianna Dawes
Arturo Loera
CJ Sherman
Clayton Van Slooten

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/>

Office of Diné Youth (ODY) Scholarship: The ODY scholarship for the Spring 2025 semester is available now. Deadline for applications for RCS to take and submit on your behalf is Wednesday, January 20th by 4pm. Thereafter, it will be the responsibility of the student and parent. Applications are available [HERE on our website](#). They will also be available at the High School and administration office. Please return to Ms. Begay at the HS or the administration building.

Multicultural Committee: 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 vlivingston@rcsnm.org.

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.

[PVH link](#) 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. Check out our **teacher/staff amazon wish list**. If you would like to purchase an item. This would be credited toward your PVH. [Amazon Wish List](#)
3. Sign up to help with the admission gate for an upcoming basketball game. Sign up below.
[2024/2025](#)

Food Service

We will be having our Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 20th,. Make sure to Mark your Calendar and join us for Lunch . The Luncheon will be \$ 8.00 a plate and cash only, sorry for the inconvenience . You can also pre-ordered and pay at pick up . We also have jackets and hats that were left behind during lunch , please stop by the lost and found if you're missing something .

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!



"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Menu Week of Nov 18 2024 to Nov 22 2024

Monday Nov 18, 2024	Tuesday Nov 19, 2024	Wednesday Nov 20, 2024	Thursday Nov 21, 2024	Friday Nov 22, 2024
Cold Cereal w/ fruit and Milk	Cream of Wheat w/ Berries , Milk	Mini Pancake w/ Syrup Fruit and Milk	Oatmeal w/ Bananas , Fruit and Milk	Fruit Smoothie w/ Granola , Milk
Chicken Nuggets, Fries, Veggie Dippers, Fruit and Milk	Spaghetti, w/ Meat Sauce, Garlic Toast , Green Beans, Fruit and Milk	Thanksgiving Luncheon Turkey and Dressing , Mashed Potato, and Gravy, Dinner Roll, Green beans, Yams, pumpkin Bars, Fruit Medley, Milk 	Corn dogs, with Potato Wedges, Veggie Dippers, Fruit and Milk	Hamburger w/ buns lettuce, tomato, fries, , fruit and 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.

What a week we had with the snow! We are grateful for the moisture that was given to us. I strongly encourage everyone to read the [RCS Snow Delay/Cancellation Procedure](#). In this policy, it'll cover the majority of what to expect during inclement weather and how to be made aware of delays/cancellations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns!

A Few Reminders to Share:

- 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 friendly 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



For permanent transportation changes please contact Darius Yazzie at dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager



I Believe: Athletics

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.

Coaches Email

- Kevin Zwiers kzwiers@rcsnm.org
- Adrian Pete adrianpete@rcsnm.org

Basketball Practice Starts: - Monday, November 18, 2024

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

A Biblical Approach to Parenting your Athlete: [CLICK HERE](#)

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Monday, November 18	3:30- 5:30 pm -HS Basketball Practice Begins	MS Boys & Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Newcomb 4:00pm - Girls B team 5:00pm - Boys B team 6:00pm - Girls A team 7:00pm - Boys A team
Wednesday, November 20		MS Boys & Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Zuni MS 4:00pm - Girls B team 5:00pm - Boys B team 6:00pm - Girls A team 7:00pm - Boys A team

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.



REHOBOTH
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Thanksgiving Lunch

Wednesday, November 20

\$8.00
per person

RCS Students at regular cost

- Turkey and dressing
- Mashed potato with gravy
- Green Beans
- Dinner Rolls
- Cranberry Sauce
- Pumpkin bars
- Loaded Yams
- Milk

Lunch Times:
6th-12th Grade- 11:35
2nd, 3rd, 5th- 12:10
K, 1st, 4th- 12:20



YOU ARE INVITED TO A

Holiday Craft and Baked Goods Sale

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

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.

Rehoboth Christian High School Drama Club presents



ANNE OF GREEN GABLES

TICKETS:

\$3
STUDENTS

\$5
ADULTS

SHOWTIMES:

November 21 | 6:30 pm

November 22 | 6:30 pm

November 23 | 1:00 pm

LOCATION:

Rehoboth High LC

Tickets can be purchased at the HS office or Administration building

PYRAMID ROCK 2024 7K RUN

DECEMBER 7- 9AM

EARLY REGISTRATION UNTIL NOV. 22ND: \$30
AFTER NOV. 22ND AND ONSITE: \$42

PACKET PICKUP @ 8AM
ONSITE REGISTRATION 7:00-8:30 AM

LOCATION
RED ROCK STATE PARK

REGISTER ONLINE
BY SCANNING QR CODE



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