



# Parent News

February 20, 2025



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## Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

Last week Tuesday was a special ribbon cutting ceremony at the middle school for the building's recently installed solar panels. The mayor, our city council representative, and our board president all attended, and the local folks who passionately pursued and sponsored this project had a chance to be recognized as well. Our middle school students did a great job in the ceremony—reading Scripture, praying, and cutting the ribbon.

We expect to save about \$15,000 each year off the middle school electrical bills as a result of the panels. I appreciate Rehoboth's commitment to keeping Christian education affordable for all families who want it for their children, and this is just one example of the steps we take to achieve that. I also love the way the solar project falls in line with one of our throughlines: Creation Keepers. We want our students, both now and in the future, to care for the land and its resources. That's not just "being green." It's actually part of the Lord's will for us as human beings.

The sun that we are harnessing for electricity today has held significance for people all the way back to ancient times. Some cultures worshipped it as a deity, while others realized its role in marking time—both daily and seasonally. A favorite Psalm of mine (Psalm 113) shows how the sun reminds us of God's majesty and mission.

### **From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,**

the name of the Lord is to be praised.  
The Lord is exalted over all the nations,  
his glory above the heavens  
He raises the poor from the dust  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap;  
he seats them with princes,  
with the princes of his people.  
He settles the childless woman in her home  
as a happy mother of children.  
Praise the Lord.

In all times and in all places, this is the God we serve. This is the God your children are learning to love and follow. This is the God who lifts us up when we are low and offers hope when all else seems dark. As you feel the sun on your face today, may you all be reminded of this as well.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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## Upcoming All School Events

- Friday, March 7 - End of 3rd Quarter
- Thursday, March 13, evening and Friday, March 14, morning - Parent Teacher conferences
- Friday, March 14 - NO SCHOOL
- Monday, March 17 - Friday, March 21 NO SCHOOL, Spring Break

## All School Announcements

### Re-Enrollment for Current Families is now available

Please go [HERE](#) to the family portal to re-enroll. *District code is re-nm*. If you don't remember your password you can reset it or call 505-863-4412 and we can do that for you. Thanks.

### ACE Scholarship

The ACE Scholarship application is now open and available for the 2025-2026 school year to all families who fall in the financial guidelines categories seen [HERE](#). This is an external scholarship that is available from a foundation that believes all children should have access to quality education. It is well worth applying for this scholarship as the recipients can receive around \$3000-\$4000 towards tuition. Deadline is April 15.

**As Rehoboth has contracted with FACTS/ACE to pay the application fee, there are two applications that need to be filled out.**

- 1) <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/46T5C/landing-page>
- 2) <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/4P88Q/landing-page>

The first application is the Rehoboth application (for the fee waiver). The second application is the ACE scholarship. If you skip the first application the page to pay the application fee will come up on the ACE scholarship and you will not be able to submit the scholarship without paying the \$35 fee. Please fill out both applications in the order listed above. You can submit the ACE scholarship before you have your taxes done and then go back to upload your documents. Ace will email you a reminder of what documents you need to upload.

If you are adding any new students this year please add their names to the ACE scholarship even though they are not admitted yet.

# Elementary News

## Read All Day

Friday, Feb. 28th is Read All Day in Elementary school! This day is a student and teacher favorite. Look for more information from your classroom teacher regarding special themes, activities, or snacks.

## Call for Subs!

If you or someone you know might be interested in substitute teaching, we are in need! Please [complete this application](#) and turn it into the Admin office or email [adminsec@rcsnm.org](mailto:adminsec@rcsnm.org).



## Sick Kiddos

We're seeing an increase in sick students at the front desk; if you know your child isn't feeling well (fevers, stomach bugs) at the start of the day when they wake up, please keep them home. We understand that it can be difficult to make arrangements the morning of; however, we want to keep those germs from spreading!

## Toolbox Thursday

The Apology and Forgiveness Tool has 3 parts: A problem, the Apology and Forgiveness Words and the Apology and Forgiveness Actions. Check your child's folder/binder for a comic strip that illustrates these 3 parts. Let's all practice saying I am sorry and I forgive you as well as showing with our actions that we are sorry and we forgive each other.

*Leanne Gillson*

# Middle School Matters

## **Celebration of Learning- Science Fair**

It's hard to believe we're already approaching the end of the quarter! Our 7th and 8th graders are working hard on their research projects and will be presenting their findings on March 13th, during parent teacher conferences. Please mark your calendars for this celebration of their learning!

## **Phone Free**

If your student arrives late for the day, please remind them to turn in their phone to Mrs. Peywa before going to class. Especially on "B" days when their first class of the day is in the high school building. They should first check in with Mrs. Peywa, and then go to class.

## **Upcoming Events**

- March 10 - MS Baseball @ JFK - Sports Complex 3:30pm & 5pm
- March 12 - MS Softball @ JFK - Sports Complex 3:30pm & 5pm
- March 13 - Science Fair 4:00 - 7:00
- March 12-14 - Scholastic Book Fair
- March 13-14 - PTCs - exact times TBD
- March 14 - NO SCHOOL, Morning PT Conference
- March 17-21 - Spring Break

# High School Highlights

The third quarter will end on Friday, March 7; that is just over two weeks away. That means that grades will be finalized then. Hopefully, your student has been working diligently throughout this quarter, and this is a reminder that their hard work will soon be formalized. If your student needs to catch up on work or retake a test now is the best time to do that. Everyone gets stressed at the end of the quarter, so now is the time to get ahead of the potential stress. Of course, the end of the third quarter brings our second round of parent teacher conferences. Please plan to attend these as there will also be a Celebration of Learning that we are very excited about; more details of that celebration will come very soon.

We are a bit over one week into our phone free policy, and the positive effects easy to spot. Students are much more engaged with one another and much more active in their classes. Thank you so much for your patience with this policy, and please continue to encourage your students to actively turn their phones in at the beginning of the day as it helps them stay distraction free.

Seth Weidenaar  
High School Principal

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# High School Counselor's Corner

## **Spring SAT**

The Spring SAT will take place Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 8:00 AM. All students taking the test will report to the LC for room assignments. The SAT fee is \$35.00 and students will have to pay the fee before they will be admitted to take the test. Payment is accepted at the high school office or the RCS administration building.

## **Cap & Gown**

Senior graduation cap, gown, and tassel have arrived. Students can pick up their cap and gown from the high school front office once the \$25.00 fee has been paid. Once the student takes their cap, gown, and tassel it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that they are kept in a safe place until graduation. We will not be able to re-order any of these items and receive them in time for graduation.

## **Scholarship Information**

Continental Divide Electric Cooperative's Education Foundation is now accepting scholarship applications for the 2025-2026 school year. Please stop by the high school counseling office to pick up an application. The deadline to submit your applications is **Monday, March 31, 2025**.

## **College Visit Days**

Eastern New Mexico University (ENMU) will hold 2 open house events. One on Saturday, March 22, 2025 and April 26, 2025. Please register at [www.enmu.edu/openhouse](http://www.enmu.edu/openhouse) or call (575) 562-2178.

The University of New Mexico Albuquerque Campus will be holding their Spring preview day on Saturday, March 8, 2025. Please register to attend at [ADMISSIONS.UNM.EDU/SPRINGPREVIEW](http://ADMISSIONS.UNM.EDU/SPRINGPREVIEW).

New Mexico State University will hold their Aggie Experience Days. Monday, February 17, 2025 and Saturday, March 22, 2025. Visit <https://admissions.nmsu.edu/start/> to register.

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

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

**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](mailto:vlivingston@rcsnm.org).

### **New Students for the 25-26 school year:**

Enrollment for new students is open. If you are a current family and plan to add a new student for the 25-26 school year you will be able to do that through your family portal in renweb. The Pre-K application is also available in renweb. Please go to [www.rcsnm.org](http://www.rcsnm.org) then to Pre-K admissions under the admissions tab to fill out the application. You can also request a tour there.

### **Re enrollment:**

For all current families, re-enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year began on January 17th. A parent should have received an email.

Here are some details to know:

1. One parent will receive an email that the re-enrollment packet is open in their Family Portal.
2. Only one parent is considered the “responsible parent” for re-enrollment and will get the packet for their child(ren).
3. The email will contain a link to the Family Portal.
4. The “responsible parent” needs to have a username and password set up with their Family Portal. To get yourself set up for a Parent Portal, [click here](#). If you need to reset your password follow the prompts.

Please fill out the tuition assistance form on the re-enrollment application and turn in your 2024 1040s when you have your taxes done. Thanks

Current families, if you were not able to fill out the tuition assistance application when you did your re-enrollment but wish to apply for assistance, you can access it [HERE](#) . Please remember to bring in copies of your 2024 1040 pages.

### **ACE Scholarship application Now Open for 2025-2026 school year**

Please see page 2 for details.

# 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 [vlivingston@rcsnm.org](mailto:vlivingston@rcsnm.org).

Just a reminder that you must finish completing your volunteer hours in April (and getting them submitted). In May we will be billing your account for any volunteer hours not completed.

**[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. We will need some volunteers to sign up to help with our **HS Track Meet** which will be held March 27 or the **MS Track Meet** which will be April 10. When we get the sign up sheets we will post them here.
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. Serving in the **lunch line** any day Monday through Friday 11:15-12:30pm. Sign up below. [Fellowship Hall servers](#)

***Thank you for completing your parent volunteer hours:***

- Amber Olguin



# Food Service

The kitchen staff works hard on offering healthy choices for our students throughout the week. We also want to encourage you to stop by and welcome our new team member Kat. Kat is our new Cook. She has been doing a fantastic job. She comes to us with many years of experience and has a passion for cooking. Please encourage your children to eat foods that are served. And as always we want to also thank our volunteers who help us serve daily .

We will continue doing finger scans for all new students for counting 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. 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 three 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](mailto:danderson@rcsnm.org) or 505-726-9616. Here's to a wonderful school year.

**“Faith is the reality of what we hope for, the proof of what we don’t see. Hebrews 11:1**

**ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!**

## Menu Week of Feb 24 , 2025 to Feb 28 , 2025

Monday Feb 24, 2025	Tuesday Feb 25, 2025	Wednesday Feb 26, 2025	Thursday Feb 27, 2025	Friday Feb 28, 2025
Breakfast burritos  Fruit and milk	Cold Cereal  Granola Bars  Bananas  Milk	Breakfast Pizza  Apple Sauce  Milk	Pancake wrap  Fruit and milk	Fruit Smoothie  Milk
Pulled Pork on a Slider Bun, Baked Beans, Veggie dippers, Fruit and milk	Taco Tuesday with taco meat , Lettuce, Cheese , Tomato, Spanish Rice , Tri Bells, Fruit and mlk	Chicken Sandwich , Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Crinkle Fries, Fruit and Milk	Cheeseburger on a Bun, Lattice Fries, Pickle , Fruit and Milk	Chicken Teriyaki , Rice, Fortune 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 everyone:

We are almost to the end of February! We are glad to report that there have been little to no issues with cell-phones and electronic devices on the bus. We thank you for talking with your student about the rules of the electronic devices during bus rides.

As we sometimes have students feeling unwell or sick, we encourage students to wear a mask during the bus ride to prevent spreading germs. We do not enforce wearing a mask but we do **encourage** it since the bus space is shared with other students.

Have a great rest of the week!

### A Few Reminders:

- As always, please keep your phone numbers updated in RENWEB. Delays or cancellations are announced through our RENWEB system by a text message and by email.
- Reminder that there is no FOOD or DRINK allowed on the bus. Water bottles must have lids secure so no spill will occur while the bus is in enroute.
- Please continue to be 10-15 minutes EARLY to your AM and PM Bus Stop! There may be times when buses arrive earlier than usual.

**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](mailto:dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org) or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager



# I Believe: Athletics

## **SPRING SPORTS:**

HS Spring Sports Practices have started.

Is your son or daughter interested in joining Spring Sports? If so, please make sure they have a completed Athletic Packet turned in. Please also contact these coaches.

HS Baseball - Ken Zylstra [kzylstra@rcsnm.org](mailto:kzylstra@rcsnm.org) Phone Number 505-726-9683

HS Softball - Crystal Pablo [ccpablo21@gmail.com](mailto:ccpablo21@gmail.com)

HS Track - Chad Meekhof [cmeekhof@rcsnm.org](mailto:cmeekhof@rcsnm.org)

HS Golf - Myron Postma [mpostma@rcsnm.org](mailto:mpostma@rcsnm.org)

## **Middle School Coaches:**

MS Baseball - Todd Perkins

MS Softball - Heather Jones

MS Track - Autumn Newell

If your child wants to join middle school sports, they will need to sign up for that sport during exploratory sessions. Have them see Mr. Arendsen.

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

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

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Thursday, February 20	3:00 / 6:00 pm HS Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Ramah (JV,V) 4:30 / 7:30 pm HS Boys Basketball AWAY vs. Ramah(JV,V)	
Friday, February 21	4:00 / 5:30 pm HS Boys Basketball AWAY vs. To'hajiilee (JV,V)	
Saturday, February 22	10:00 am -HS Softball Scrimmage @ Navajo Prep	

# 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](mailto:adminsec@rcsnm.org) by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.



## In the Four Corners

### A Christ-centered Recovery Program

DAY	LOCATION	TIMES	MINISTRY LEADER
<b>MONDAY</b>	Emmanuel Baptist Church	6:00 pm (Meal)	Joe Barela
	211 W 20 <sup>th</sup> St., Farmington, NM	6:30 pm (Meeting)	(505) 793-0705
<b>TUESDAY</b>	House of Mercy	5:30 pm (Food/Fellowship)	Chuck Reich
	(Four Corners Home for Children) 2103 W Main St., Farmington, NM	6:30 pm (Meeting)	(505) 408-3335
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Salvation Army Farmington Corps	6:00 pm (Meal)	Lt. Chris Rockwell
	319 W Broadway, Farmington, NM	6:30 pm (Meeting)	(505) 932-9311
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Bethel Christian Reformed Church	6:00 pm (Meeting)	Derek Sanders
	(Sacred Fire Church/Hear the Cry) Hwy 64 & Hwy 491, Shiprock, NM	8:00 pm (Meal)	(505) 258-4155
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Red Valley Chapter House	5:00 pm (Food/Fellowship)	Chuck Reich
	Red Valley, NM	6:00 pm (Meeting)	(505) 408-3335
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Aztec Church of the Nazarene	6:30 pm (Meal)	Wes Lisenbee
	1061 NM-516, Aztec, NM	7:30 pm (Meeting)	(432) 307-0484
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Rock Springs Church	6:00 pm (Meal)	Tonya Fish
	601 N Dolores Rd., Cortez, CO	7:00 pm (Meeting)	(970) 403-4643

Celebrate Recovery Group Locator: <https://crlocator.com/>

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There is also a Celebrate Recovery group that meets in Church Rock.

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Church Rock Christian Reformed Church 06A Indian Village Dr., Church Rock, NM	6:00 pm Meeting	Gary Hoeksema (505) 728-1204
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Dear RCS Families & Friends,

The **SPRING Scholastic Book Fair** is coming soon! Let's continue to empower and inspire our children to become *Bolder, Prouder, and Stronger Readers*.

Here's what you need to know about the Book Fair:

**Wednesday, March 12, 2025 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**Thursday, March 13, 2025 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**Friday, March 14, 2025 - 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM ONLY**  
**Navajo Code Talker Communication Center & Library**

Consider using **eWallet**—a child's digital payment account for worry-free, cash-free purchases which you may set up before the Book Fair.

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with **eWallet** and online shopping:

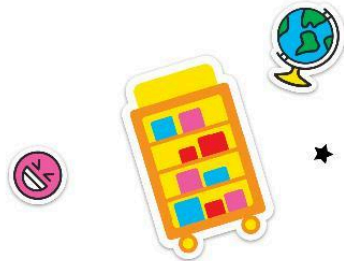
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/Rehoboth>

Remember that all purchases, including online orders, benefit our school. See you at the Book Fair!

Happy reading,

**Duane Yazzie, Teacher-Librarian**  
**Rehoboth Christian School**  
**dyazzie@rcsnm.org**  
**(505) 863-4412**

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## **2025 SUMMER TEEBALL/BASEBALL/SOFTBALL GALLUP BASEBALL SOFTBALL ATHLETIC ALLIANCE**

### 2025 Divisions (*\$5 Insurance Fee per player*)

- \$90 for T-Ball Division
- \$110 for 8U Division
- \$110 for 10U Division
- \$120 for 12U Division
- \$120 for 14U Division
- \$130 for Legion League Division

### TO SIGN UP:

1. **USE ONLINE REGISTRATION AT:**  
A. **WWW.GALLUPABS.COM** OR  
B. **SCAN QR CODE**
2. **PLAYERS MUST BE 4 YEARS OLD BY  
MAY 1, 2025.**
3. **PROVIDE PLAYER BIRTH CERTIFICATE**

*Interested in Coaching or umpiring? Email us  
for more details.*

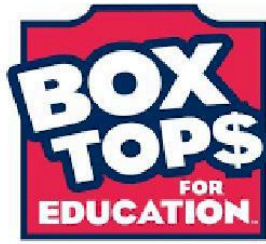


#### **MORE INFORMATION**

Email: [gallupbsaa@gmail.com](mailto:gallupbsaa@gmail.com)

Website: [gallupabs.com](http://gallupabs.com)





Dear Families and Friends of Rehoboth Christian School,

Remember that **Box Tops for Education** is a fast and easy way for you to support RCS, and more specifically, book purchases for the library. To date, we have earned \$150.00 and we'd love your continued support!

Here's how you can help us reach our goal:

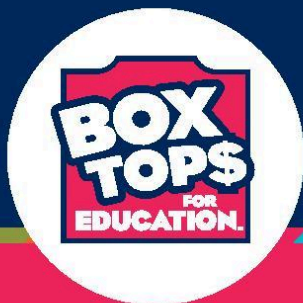
- **Buy Box Tops products!** Then, scan your receipt with the Box Tops app **within 14 days** of purchase and earn for Rehoboth Christian School with every Box Tops product you buy.
- **Refer your friends, family and other parents in the school to download the app.** You'll even get Bonus Box Tops for our school with each referral that successfully scans their first receipt.
- **Turn on notifications in your Box Tops app** to get scan reminders and stay updated on special offers, new products and opportunities to earn for our school. Go to your Communications Settings by tapping on the person icon in the upper-right corner of the app.

Let's give our library the support it deserves and, little by little, we can help make a big difference. If you have any questions about how to support RCS through **Box Tops for Education**, please come see me in the Navajo Code Talker Communication Center & Library.

Sincerely,

Duane Yazzie, Teacher-Librarian and Box Tops for Education Coordinator

dyazzie@resnm.org



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