



Parent News March 27, 2025



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

At the end of Spring Break, our family was in Phoenix to attend a special ceremony and service at West Valley Christian Fellowship. The church has supported Rehoboth for a long time, and it is always one of the stops on our February Cantabile Choir tour to Phoenix.

The congregation at West Valley is made up of retirees who live permanently in Sun City, along with those who like to spend their winter months in the warmer Phoenix climate. After 33 years of ministry as a church, they finally made the decision to close their doors because the core group was too elderly and small in number to keep formal church operations going.

However, they contacted our school to let us know that when they sell their property, they would be donating a significant portion of the proceeds to our Rehoboth Scholarship Endowment to support families in need of tuition assistance. Beyond that, a group of our staff drove a large truck down this week to collect all of the items from inside the church to use either here at school or to donate to various churches on the Navajo Nation. What amazing gifts!

I was asked to speak at their Saturday evening dinner celebration, and I told them a story about Abraham from Genesis 21. The local king, Abimelech, comes to Abraham wanting to sign a treaty with him because he has seen the way Abraham represents God in all he does. Abraham wants to signify God's hand in that event, so we read these words: "Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there he called on the name of the Lord, the Eternal God."

If you've got an eye for detail, you might ask yourself why it matters that it was a *tamarisk* tree that Abraham planted. Tamarisks are known for their long life—often providing shade for 100 years. Abraham was planting a tree that would benefit and remind the future generations of his descendants he hadn't even met! That's what West Valley's gift feels like to me too. Many of their members won't be alive to see or hear about the help their funds will provide, but they are stepping out in faith and blessing us anyway.

Christian education is similar. We don't always see the impact of our work on every student in the moment or the way their experiences here shape how they raise their own children, but we trust in the Lord to do what He has promised. And so we also plant tamarisk seeds, with your help and partnership. May they provide shade for decades to come!

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Wednesday, April 2 Manhattan Christian School Band/Choir concert 7:00 pm main gym
- Monday, April 14 HS Choir Tour Concert 7:00pm Rehoboth Church
- Monday, April 28 NO SCHOOL Navajo Sovereignty Day

All School Announcements

Re-Enrollment for Current Families is now available

Please go <u>HERE</u> 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 <u>HERE</u>. 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. <u>Deadline is April 15.</u>

As Rehoboth has contracted with FACTS/ACE to pay the application fee, there are <u>two applications</u> 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.

Congratulations to the High School Band!

On March 5, the high school band performed at the North West New Mexico Music Educators Association music performance assessment. The band earned superior ratings from all of the judges. Thank-you for your support of the band program!

Upcoming Events

Hosts Needed!

On April 1 and 2 the Manhattan Christian School(Montana) band and choir will be visiting Rehoboth. This is an exciting opportunity for us to host a community that has hosted our band and choir a number of times! If you are able and willing to host a group of 2 or 4 students for two nights, please contact Mr. Zwiers (kzwiers@rcsnm.org).

Band/Choir Concert

The Manhattan Christian School Band/Choir will be performing a concert on Wednesday April 2 at 7pm in the SFC main gym. The Rehoboth high school band will be playing a song with them. Please consider attending!

Only chance in May to earn Parent Volunteer Hours for 24-25

RCS is hosting the Children's Museum Color Run fundraiser this year on Saturday, May 17. Kim Suk is looking for volunteer groups for the run. *Each station needs 4-8 people (there will be 5 stations).*If any RCS parents still need volunteer hours and are interested in forming some groups or being part of a group, you can get volunteer credit for the 24-25 school year for each hour spent helping with the color run. Please contact Kim directly: kimberlyqsuk@qmail.com if you wish to sign up.

Elementary News

Upcoming Dates

April 24, 5:30pm - Celebration of Learning, this evening for families will be an opportunity to play fun math games and learn all about our new math curriculum, Bridges.



Elementary Highlights

❖ A few of our lower elementary students had the opportunity to watch a helicopter land on our Rehoboth soccer field, meet the pilot and nurses, ask questions and even get into the helicopter!

Toolbox Thursday:

The 5th graders along with guidance from our Maintenance staff have built an outdoor Calm Corner. We hope this is a helpful tool for students.

Guidelines for using the Calm Corner

If you have a problem on the playground:

- 1. Use one or more of the Toolbox tools
- 2. If the tools do not solve the problem or you are unable to calm down talk to a teacher on duty.
- 3. If you are still overwhelmed and are unable to play, ask a teacher if you can use the outdoor Calm Corner.

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Call for Subs!

If you or someone you know might be interested in substitute teaching, we are in need! Please <u>complete this application</u> and turn it into the Admin office or email adminsec@rcsnm.org.

Middle School Matters

Welcome back!

Fourth quarter is often a whirlwind of learning, assessment and fun activity and the time passes quickly. My middle school student asked if we could just skip the fourth quarter altogether and start summer. With the warmer days this week, it sure does feel like summer is near. Encourage your students to persist, get good sleep, and work on healthy habits that will carry them through all the way to May 22!

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 31 MS Baseball -vs- Crownpoint Comm Mickey Mantle Field 3:30PM and 5PM
- April 3 MS Track Meet @ Tohatchi @ 2PM
- April 3 MS Softball @ Tohatchi @ 3:30PM and 5PM
- April 7 MS Baseball -vs- Gallup Mid Mickey Mantle Field 4PM and 5:30PM
- April 7 MS Softball -vs- Crownpoint Sports Complex 4PM and 5:30PM
- April 9 MS Softball @ Zuni 4PM and 5:30PM
- April 10 MS Track Meet Home 2PM

High School Highlights

The choir will leave for their tour on Saturday, and we are all excited for them and the experiences they will have. We pray for safe travel and that their work proving music will be a blessing for all they encounter. While they are away, the rest of the high school will participate in ACES week. During this week, students will be engaged in classes that are very different from normal classes, although this will still be a week of learning. Please ask your student about what classes they will be taking next week.

As the end of the year draws closer, we need to think about exams that close out the year. We have four Advanced Placement courses here at Rehoboth High School, and those courses take their exams in early May. Those exams come with an extra fee; if your student is involved in those classes, you should have received an email about this fee. Please pay that fee before the exam date. And if anyone is willing to serve as a proctor for those exams, please let me or Shawna Begay know. We would love to get you involved.

Seth Weidenaar High School Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

Spring SAT

A reminder the Spring SAT will take place on April 26, 2025. Students will need to pay the \$35.00 test fee before they will be admitted into the test. Students will report to the High School LC by 7:45 AM for room assignments. Testing will begin at 8:00 AM. Any students arriving late will not be admitted into the test. Please make sure students are on time.

SAT Study Resources

Khan Academy has some great resources to help students prepare for the SAT. Please visit https://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/digital-sat for more information.

Summer STEM Experience

New Mexico Tech will hold a Summer STEM experience that will take place on their campus June 8-13, 2025. Students will have the opportunity to experience Materials Engineering and Life Technology. If you are interested in attending this summer activity, please visit https://apply.nmt.edu/portal/summer_stem for more information.

Senior Cap and Gown

Senior Cap and Gowns can be purchased in the high school front office. All payment types can be made at the high school front office.

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor



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 https://livingston@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 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, <u>click here</u>. If you need to reset your password follow the prompts.

Tuition Assistance application

For those of you who would like to apply for tuition assistance but didn't fill out the application when you did your re-enrollment, here is the link https://forms.gle/ads1gjsvjwp5dToZ6

Also, please drop off or email your 2024 tax 1040 sheets as soon as you have them. Thanks.

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.

As of March 27, only 30% of our families have completed their volunteer hours.

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

<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. 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. <u>Amazon Wish List</u>
- 3. Serving in the **lunch line** any day Monday through Friday 11:15-12:30pm. Sign up below. Fellowship Hall servers

Food Service

We can't say enough thank you! to the Volunteers that come in to help us serve our students daily. Don't forget to have your child check in the lost and found section in the Fellowship Hall for their jackets.

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 <u>danderson@rcsnm.org</u> or 505-726-9616. Here's to a wonderful school year.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Jeremiah 29:11

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Menu Week of March 31, 2025 to April 04, 2025

Monday Mar 31, 2025	Tuesday Apr 1, 2025	Wednesday Apr 2, 2025	Thursday Apr 3, 2025	Friday Apr 4, 2025
Cold Cereal w/ Muffins, Milk	Waffles w/ Sausage and Syrup , Fruit and Milk	-		Yogurt w/Granola Fruit and Milk
""	Tortillas , Spanish Rice,	and Salsa, Veggie	Normandy Blend, Fruit, and	Pizza Pepperoni and Cheese, Salad, Fruit and Milk

In Gear : Transportation

Deuteronomy 31:6

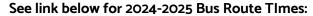
Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, he is the one who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.

Hello Everyone!

We are glad to be back after a week of rest! I've noticed that around this time, it can be the busiest time in our department. We ask that you remind your student to follow the posted bus rules that are posted throughout the buses, the same rules apply if they are traveling in a school vehicle. As always, there are road construction projects that are starting up, if there are any unexpected delays, we will be sure to communicate with you by text or email.

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.



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

SPRING SPORTS:

HS and MS Spring Sports Practices have started.

<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, March 27	2:00 pm - Rehoboth High Desert Track Meet	2:00 pm - MS Track Meet @ Ramah (HS track)
Friday, March 28	5:00 pm - HS Baseball HOME vs. Miyamura (V)	
Saturday, March 29	12:00 / 2:00 pm - HS Girls Softball AWAY vs. Loving @Socorro HS	
Monday, March 31		3:30/5:00 pm - MS Baseball HOME vs. Crownpoint Community (Ford Canyon - Mickey Mantle Field)
Tuesday, April 1	3:00/5:00 pm HS Baseball AWAY vs. Navajo Prep at Farmington Sports Complex	
Thursday, April 3		2:00 pm - MS Track Meet @ Tohatchi
		3:30 / 5:00 pm - MS Softball AWAY Vs. Tohatchi (Tohatchi HS field)

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 attached:

GRT play "The Importance of Being Earnest"

City Teeball/Baseball registration information

June Camp (2 pgs)

Boxtops for Education information (2 pgs)



Rehoboth Christian School

JUNE CAMP

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Engage in hands-on learning activities in the morning with a camp-like atmosphere in the afternoon.

June 2-19, 2025 Monday - Thursday

Registration opens April 7th

Register and Pay to Reserve your spot!

Registration ends May 16th







FAQ'S

Who is June Camp for?

June camp is for any student between the ages of entering Kindergarten up to entering 9th grade! We have June Camp focused for students K-5 and a June Camp High Desert Horizons for 6-9 grade.

How much is June Camp?

June Camp will be \$40 a week or \$110 if you sign up for **all three** weeks at registration.

What is offered at June Camp?

June camp starts with hands-on, light academic activities in the morning. In the afternoon, students will participate in different activities both indoors and outdoors led by volunteer groups. These activities can include things like water games, crafts, and more!

There will also be an opportunity to sign up for an Explora science camp in the afternoon! Limited spots available! Week 1: Grades K-2 and Week 2: Grades 3-5

How do I sign up my child for June Camp?

You can call the administration office or the school offices to register over the phone or in person. **Payment is due at registration**, this ensures that your child's spot is reserved. There are limited spots per class.

Administration Office: (505) 863-4412 Elementary/Mid School: (505) 726-9632



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@rcsnm.org



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