



Parent News

April 10, 2025



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

We are coming up on the end of the season of Lent, and the end of next week is Good Friday. We will be having an all-school chapel that morning to share an incredible story with our students. Back in the summer of 2022, a group of Rehoboth faculty and staff traveled to Israel together to walk the Holy Land—its deserts and its fields, its mountains and its valleys. That trip gave us an amazing perspective on the life and land of Scripture, and one of the lessons in particular made a powerful impact on all of us.

We were gathered in a desert fortress called a *praetorium* at a place called Avdat. A praetorium is a combination palace and army base, and this one duplicates well what the one in Jerusalem would have felt like—the place where Jesus was tried and sentenced to crucifixion.

Our lesson in the praetorium was about Mark's gospel and his account of the crucifixion story. His audience was the fledgling Christian church in Rome, so he was writing to a group of people who knew all about the power of the Roman government and who would have been familiar with all of its rituals.

Our guide pointed out nine distinct ways in which Mark's retelling of the crucifixion parallels the activities of the ceremony for crowning a new emperor in Rome. It's incredible stuff, and so clear when you see it. Mark wanted those early Christians to know that Jesus' death was not the *end* of a movement, but rather the *beginning* of a whole new reign—His reign over the Kingdom of Heaven.

That Kingdom is not defined by ruthless, earthly power; but rather by the willingness to lay down one's life for others—to pour ourselves out on behalf of others in service to our Lord and Savior. And that Kingdom cannot be defeated, no matter how hard or dark things may seem.

Crucifixion as coronation.

It's a powerful picture that reminds us that while ancient Rome is in ruins, our true King still reigns. I can't wait to share that with our students next week, and I pray that it blesses and strengthens all of you today.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- Monday, April 14 - HS Choir Tour Concert 7:00 pm - HS LC
- Monday, April 28 - NO SCHOOL Navajo Sovereignty Day

All School Announcements

High School Choir Tour Concert

The Rehoboth High School Choir had an incredible tour to central California last week. We performed for schools, various churches, a nursing home and even for volunteers at a food bank in Alameda. The students saw our tour theme, "Ubi Caritas," in action! Our theme is based on the words to one of our songs. In English it is translated, "Where there is charity and love, God is there." We are so excited to perform our concert for our families, school and the greater community on Monday night, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. The concert will be held in the high school LC. Please come join us for a night of music with a message of love, hope and unreasonable hospitality!

Re-Enrollment for Current Families is still available - Please get this done soon.

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. Also, the tuition assistance application is part of the re-enrollment so please fill out that google form. (No paper forms this year). Thanks. 80% of our students have re-enrolled for next year.

ACE Scholarship - Less than a week to get this in

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

Upcoming Events

Parent Volunteer Hours

All uncompleted volunteer hours will be billed to your tuition account in May so make sure you log in any hours you've completed in renweb so that we can update your account.

You can get credit for every \$15 spent on classroom snacks or gifts purchased for the teachers off the Amazon gift list. Or check with your student(s) teacher(s) to see if they have any upcoming events they need help with.

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: kimberlygsuk@gmail.com if you wish to sign up.

Elementary News

Upcoming Dates

- ★ April 23- 3rd grade to NN Zoo
- ★ 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.
- ★ April 28- Navajo Sovereignty Day- NO SCHOOL!

- ★ May 2- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Playground of Dreams, AM
- ★ May 7 & 8- 4th grade to Santa Fe
- ★ May 9- Elementary Field Day
- ★ May 16- Elementary Swimming Day
- ★ May 20- Kinder Celebration of Learning night
- ★ May 22- Last Day of School!

Toolbox Thursday:

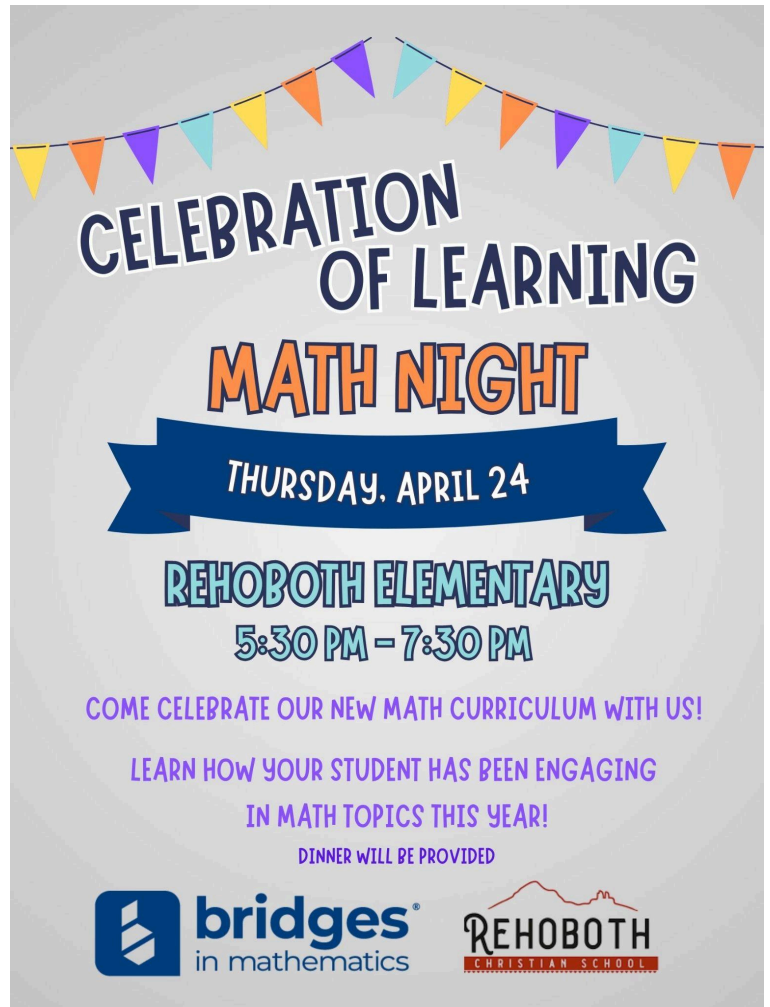
2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders listened to others with their ears, eyes, heart and mind (**Listening Tool**) and then practiced being **Justice Warriors** ("Learn to do right: seek justice and defend the oppressed. Isaiah 1:17) as they participated in a few skits.

Kdg. and 1st graders drew pictures to show how the **listening tool** can help them show care and love to themselves and others.

Leanne Gillson

Call for Coffee!

We're running low on our coffee supply, please consider donating a can of coffee to keep our teachers caffeinated and strong through the end of the year! *1 can = [1 PVP hour](#), donations can be given to Val Peywa at the ELEM/MS desk*



Middle School Matters

Middle School Highlights

- ❖ **Science Fair Awards!!** Our students worked so hard on their projects, and I'm sure they're happy to have that project done and behind them, but we'd still like to recognize those who received awards from our community judges:

Human Health: Janelle Etsitty, Malakai Nez, Lalayna Halona

Chemistry/Astronomy/Engineering: Kat Birky, Josiah Harper, Isaiah Delgado

Agriculture: Mylah Manuelito, Josa Blystra, Aliyah Sanchez

Physics: Jono Feddes, Casey Fernando, Chase Livingston

Food and Culinary Science: Elliot Kass, Jerome Sandy, Jelome Gandia

Psychology: Bailey Begay, Bryn Villegas, Dalilah Buckinghorse, Melody Perry

Overall Award for Scientific Method: Rosina Jones

Artistic Presentation: Kat Birky, Olivia Null, Jelome Gandia

Graphing: Janelle Etsitty, Madison Chavez, Ayden Martine, Jayden Jensen

Oral Presentation: Andie Real Bird

Voice of Science (Writing): Jude Cavanaugh, Ray Martin

RCS Throughlines: Collin Begay, Malakai Nez, Izzy Yazzie



Upcoming Events

- ★ Monday, April 14- MS Baseball Home -vs- Zuni @ Mickey Mantle Field @ 4pm & 5:30pm
- ★ Wednesday, April 16- MS Softball Home -vs- Gallup Mid @ Ford Canyon (Top Field) @ 4pm & 5:30pm
- ★ Thursday, April 17- MS Track @ Ramah @ 2pm, MS Baseball -vs- Hozho Academy @ Sports Complex @ 4pm & 5:30pm
- ★ April 22- MS Drama 6pm
- ★ May 1- MS choir concert
- ★ May 7- 6th grade to Crystal
- ★ May 9- 8th grade class trip
- ★ May 12- MS band concert
- ★ May 22- 6pm 8th Grade Graduation

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High School Highlights

The choir returned from their tour with powerful stories of shaping lives through music and service. Watching the delight on the faces of students while they tell these stories is truly awesome and inspirational. These experiences make the sacrifices necessary for such a tour worthwhile.

Our music programs continue with the big events. On Friday, April 11, the band will travel to Albuquerque to participate in the state band contest. If you remember, the band won this contest last year, so we are very excited for this year's contest, and we are extremely proud of the hard work the band has put into the preparation for this year's contest.

Next week we will have chapel on Friday instead of Tuesday. We will have a special chapel to contemplate Good Friday, and I hope that it will be meaningful for your student. Please ask them about this special chapel at some point after April 11.

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.

Finally, Freshmen science night is Monday, April 21. Freshmen students will be presenting their engineering projects. If you are a parent of a 9th grader you will hear much about this, but if you are any parent and interested in this event, you are more than welcome to attend.

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.

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.

Senior Scholarship Opportunities

The Fall 2025-2026 Nation Nation Scholarship application is now open to Native American students. Please visit <https://onnsfa.org/> for more information. This scholarship application includes the opportunity for students to apply for the Chief Manuelito Scholarship.

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/>

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 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. Our pre-k for next year is waitlist only. Please go to www.rcsnm.org then to Pre-K admissions under the admissions tab to fill out the waitlist form. Once space becomes available we will inform you of the opening and then we can have you fill out the application.

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.

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.

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 **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:

- Laurence and Elizabeth Harper
- Kaela Gaulden
- Kelly and Dan Arendsen

Food Service

Throughout the School Year we have had some fantastic Volunteers come through the doors, very unique in their own ways and awesome people they are. We can't say enough Thank You to them for helping us serve the students during lunch.

Please remind your kids to check in the lost and found section in the Fellowship Hall for their jackets .

Most of Kids are scanned but will continue doing finger scans throughout the school year 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 or 505-726-9616. Here's to a wonderful school year.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
[Matthew 11:28:](#)

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Menu Week of April 14, 2025 to April 18, 2025

Monday Apr 14, 2025	Tuesday Apr 15, 2025	Wednesday Apr 16, 2025	Thursday Apr 17, 2025	Friday Apr 18, 2025
Cold Cereal w/ Muffins, Milk	Egg Omelet , Hash Brown, Toast, Fruit and Milk	Pancake w/ Syrup Fruit and mlk	Cream of Wheat , churros, Fruit and Milk	Rice and Raisin, Fruit and Milk 
Chicken Tenders, Mac/Cheese, Veggie Dippers, Fruit and Milk	Pulled Pork, on a hoagie bun, Coleslaw, Fruit and Milk	Beef Stew w/ Vegetable Cornbread, Fruit , Milk	Corn dogs, Curly Fries, Veggie dippers, fruit and Milk	Chicken Sandwich Oven fries, Broccoli, Cake , 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!

As the weather gets warm, we are seeing more Road Construction sites go up. We hope that there won't be any delays during our regular AM/PM Routes, in case there are delays, we will be sure to communicate with you by text or email. As always, it's important to have all contact information up to date in the RENWEB system.

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 or 505-726-9622

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager

I Believe: Athletics

SPRING SPORTS:

HS and MS Spring Sports Practices have started.

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, April 10	9:00 am HS Golf at Aztec. Location is Riverview Golf Course in Kirtland, NM	2:00 pm - MS Rehoboth Track Meet @ Rehoboth Track Field
Saturday, April 12	9:00 am - HS Track Meet @ Ramah HS 11:00am - HS Softball AWAY vs. Grants 12:00 / 2:00pm - HS Baseball HOME vs. Santa Fe Indian School	
Monday, April 14		4:00/5:30 pm - MS Baseball HOME vs. Zuni (Ford Canyon - Mickey Mantle Field)
Tuesday, April 15	3:30 / 5:30 pm - HS Softball HOME vs. Navajo Prep (V) Ford Canyon Girls Field 4:00pm - HS Baseball vs. Tohajiilee (JV) Ford Canyon Mickey Mantle Field	
Wednesday, April 16		4:00/ 5:30 pm - MS Softball HOME vs. Gallup Mid Ford Canyon - Top Field
Thursday, April 17	4:00 / 6:00 pm - HS Softball HOME vs. Shiprock NW	2:00 pm - MS Ramah Track Meet 4:00 / 5:30 pm - MS Baseball vs. Hozho Academy (Sports Complex)

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:

June Camp (2 pgs)

Boxtops for Education information (2 pgs)

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Rehoboth Christian School

JUNE CAMP

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?

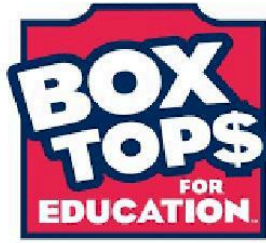
June camp starts with hands-on, light academic activities in the morning. In the afternoon, students will participate in different activities both indoors and outdoors led by volunteer groups. These activities can include things like water games, crafts, and more!

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:

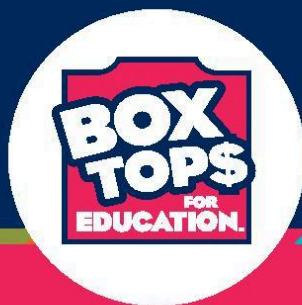
- **Buy Box Tops products!** Then, scan your receipt with the Box Tops app **within 14 days** of purchase and earn for Rehoboth Christian School with every Box Tops product you buy.
- **Refer your friends, family and other parents in the school to download the app.** You'll even get Bonus Box Tops for 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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