



Parent News

August 29, 2024



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

You have a three-day weekend coming up, because Monday is Labor Day. I always thought it was ironic that we name a day of rest “Labor Day.” A quick search on the Department of Labor’s website informed me that the holiday was created in the late 1800’s to honor the contributions of American workers to the country’s strength, prosperity, and well being.

Hard work is a good thing.

In addition to the knowledge and skills they develop during their education at Rehoboth, we want our students to take on the habit of hard work. Volumes have been written about the importance of persistence, grit, giving your best effort, and so forth. Just this year, as we started orientation with our Rehoboth staff, I shared with them the [“Story of the Three Sons.”](#) and how we need to take on a mindset in which it’s normal to work hard and do extra.

God’s people knew what hard work was during the centuries they were enslaved in Egypt. Forced to make mud bricks that built massive structures, the Hebrews toiled and labored day after day. For generations, their only sense of worth and self preservation was based on the number of bricks they could produce. Come in below your quota, and you’d feel the sting of the whip . . . or worse.

After the Lord delivered them from that slavery and oppression, He set out to turn them into a new kind of people. My teacher used to say that the easy part was getting the Israelites out of Egypt. The hard part was getting Egypt out of the Israelites. God had to change their mindsets. He needed to rewire their whole approach to life. He needed to insert new rhythms into their inmost beings that would drastically alter the way they thought of themselves.

So He told them a story of how the world began.

In that story of Creation, the Lord’s fingerprints are all over the universe, and we marvel at the work of His hands. But to the ear of the Israelites, something drastic would have stood out: a call for people to take a Sabbath rest. During all the mornings and evenings of the days of Creation, a landslide of “good” things populated the cosmos. But the only thing that was called very good was humanity. And the Sabbath day of rest didn’t have a beginning or ending boundary. Because God wants us to know that we can *forever* rest in the knowledge that we carry immense value, and He’ll never measure us by our work. So on this coming Labor Day, celebrate the goodness of hard work; but never forget that our relationship with the Father and the gift of His Son, Jesus, mean that we’ll never have to strive to earn their love.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming Events


- **Monday, September 2** - Labor Day, NO SCHOOL
- **Friday, September 6** - ½ day - students released at 12:45 PM due to RCS cross country meet

All School Announcements

Pavement repairs Friday August 30

Parents and Students: Due to pavement repairs, the High School and Middle School parking lots will be closed by 3:30p on Friday, August 30. If you cannot pick up your student before 3:30p, you will need to pick up your student in the parking lot south of the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for understanding!

Boxtops for Education

Our school is enrolled in the Boxtops for Education earning program. Our coordinator is Duane Yazzie and all the earnings will be used for the library. Please continue to scan your receipts. Thanks.  [Box Tops information.pdf](#)

From the Business Office

A few reminders from the Business Office:

All families need to create a [FACTS](#) account. You have the option in FACTS to pay through FACTS or in person at Rehoboth. (Choose invoice for paying in person). If you haven't already set up a FACTS account or the payment part of your FACTS account please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

Free & Reduced food forms need to be filled out. Please stop by the Administration Building to turn those in.

If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to the business office!

Elementary News

Parent Volunteers for Lunch Recess

We are looking for volunteers to help monitor our Elementary Lunch Recess on the playground. This would require you to come to the playground one day out of the week from 11:45 AM and stay until 12:15PM. This 30 minute commitment would be a great way to clock-in some volunteer hours, get to know staff and students, and help provide an added layer of safety and supervision for our kiddos. If interested, please fill out this form: [Elementary Playground Volunteers](#).

Important! Transportation Changes and Check-out

If transportation changes are necessary, please contact Val Peywa before 2:15 so that she has time to communicate with classroom teachers and students. If you are checking out your student, check-outs need to happen before 2pm, or wait until the end of the school day.

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!

Chapel Shirt Money

Thank you for sending in t-shirt money! The deadline is approaching next week **Friday, Sept. 6**. The cost is \$7 cash or check. If paying by cash, having the exact amount is helpful. Please submit payments to your classroom teacher or at the Elementary Office with Ms. Peywa or Ms. Johnson.

Spelling Bee

Spelling Bee for grades 3-8 will be November 21. If you have an eager speller who would like to start practicing, here's the [link to the list of words](#).

Nominate Mr. Yazzie!

SPARK PE and supportREALteachers want to start the academic year with positivity by thanking physical education teachers for all the great work they do!

From August 1st 2024 to September 30th 2024 you can enter a physical education teacher into a drawing for a free Starbucks gift card by just entering their name, school, school address, and a link to a social media post where you thanked them. Feel free to use our appreciation graphics in your post and see our other resources below!

<https://www.supportrealteachers.org/teacher-appreciation-event.html>

Student Drop-offs and Pick-ups

Kinder to 8th Grade families please use the Gravel Loop located behind our Mid School building to drop-off and pick-up students. Please refrain from picking up your student at the Elementary Playground/Parking Area. This area is reserved for our Pre-K families who have to park and drop-off/pick-up their students at the classroom door.

You may begin dropping off your student after 7:45 am until 8:05 am. Pick-up begins at 3:05 pm until 3:20pm. After that, please walk into the office to pick-up your student. It is helpful for the office/classroom teacher to know if you are running late. If your student is eating breakfast, you may drop them off at the Sports and Fitness Center entrance.

Lastly, please drive with caution. We want to keep our students safe. Form a single drive-up lane and pull as far ahead as

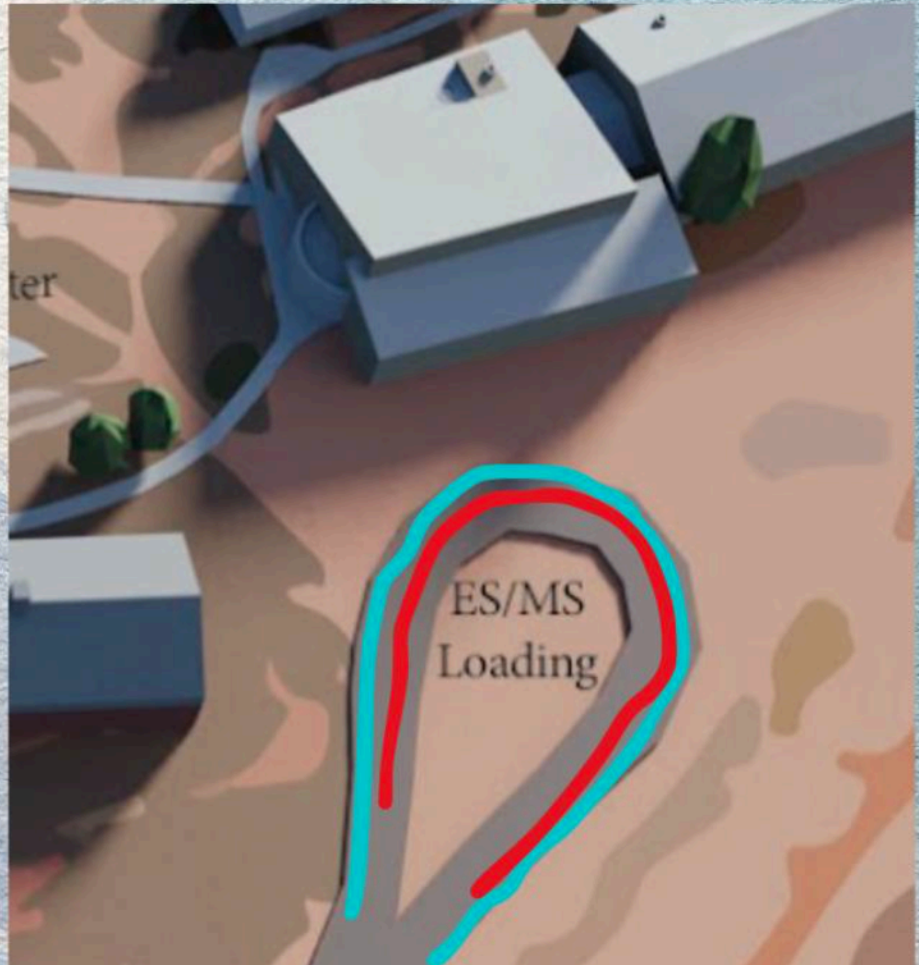
you can to make room for other cars. When pulling out and driving away, double check to make sure there are no students around. If you need help, please talk to our traffic/pick-up monitor or call the office.

PICK-UP REMINDERS

Elementary/Mid School Gravel Loop

Please wait until you are in the Main Loop (Blue) before having your child come to the vehicle.

Please do not start an additional loop (Red). Students will not be released if you are not in the main loop.



Middle School Matters

Middle School at Broken Arrow

At the end of last year, staff were reflecting on all of the fun activities that were done toward the end of the year. This year, one of our goals is to spread out the fun, and front load our year with team building and relationship building activities to grow our community. Today, our 6th graders left for an overnight campout at Broken Arrow, and tomorrow 7th and 8th will join them for lots of fun. Pray for safety, growth and connection for all of us!

Student Drop-offs and Pick-ups

Please see the above Elementary section for details on the flow of our Parent drop-off and pick-up loop.

Upcoming Events (MS only)

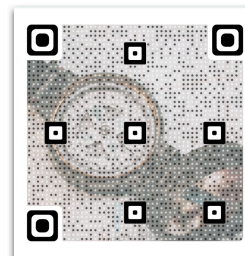
- Aug 26 - MS Volleyball Away @ Zuni - Games @ 5pm and 6pm
- Aug 28 - MS Volleyball Home -vs- Hozho - Games @ 5pm and 6pm
- Aug 29 - 6th Grade Broken Arrow Overnight
- Aug 30 - 6th/7th/8th Broken Arrow Day
- Aug 30 - MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Tohatchi

HABITUDES

Every Wednesday this school year Middle and High School students will start a new curriculum in their advisory groups called Habitudes. They will have chances to share and interact with their peers on a series of [core values](#), something that the culture of Rehoboth Christian School has done an excellent job of fostering for a long time. Here is a [link to the welcome overview letter](#). With a chance to coordinate school-wide, there will be more chances for intentional conversations and a chance to build up one-another in our community. Each week, we will send home a link of what the students are discussing so that you can join in too!

This week Middle School began their lesson on “Self Efficacy”. See the [parent card](#), and ask your student about it! Students can also access their [digital flash cards here](#) or scan this QR code.

Scan and
Take This
Lesson with
You



High School Highlights

I shared the poem [Gate A-4](#), by Naomi Shahib Nye, with the high school staff; I thought of this poem last week when I saw our high school culture at work. What I saw last week was very much like the way the poem tells of human connection in a moment of uncertainty and the joy that comes after the risk of reaching out to a person in need. Last week I saw a few moments of students and teachers reaching out to other people in need, and these were awesome to see. They were the kind of events that made me extremely proud to be part of a school like Rehoboth. The poem also makes note of the very real need for connection and the scariness that comes from not having appropriate human connection at the right time. We as a school certainly have that scary need still hanging around, but we also have the hope that comes from a school culture that provides moments of connection. I hope the poem will give you a sense of the school culture we have.

While that school culture is a great thing, I do look forward to a long weekend away from school. I hope that your family has a great time resting and connecting over this long weekend. A September full of sporting events and school activities awaits after this restful weekend.

Seth Weidenaar

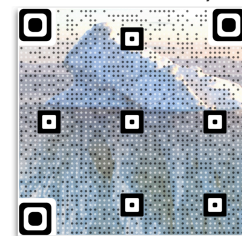
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This week the High School began their lesson on “Ethical Responsibility”. See the “Habitudes at home” parent card [here](#). Students can also access their [digital flash cards](#) or scan this QR code

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 GROWING LEADERS



High School Counselor's Corner

Hello Families,

- Seniors will take the Fall SAT on October 16, 2024. **Stop by my office to sign up by September 4, 2024.** Test will be ordered on September 6, 2024.
 - Khan Academy has some great resources to help you prepare for the upcoming SAT. See the link provided for more information. <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
- RCS will host a College/Career Day on October 16, 2024 from 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM. Students will have the opportunity to hear from speakers from different career fields and attend a college fair. I have a few colleges that have called to confirm their attendance. If you are interested in sharing about your specific career field please let me know.

Scholarship Opportunities

1. The Gate Scholarship application for the 2025-2026 school year is open, use the link provided to start your application. Closing date for the Gate Scholarship is 09/15/2024.
<https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

College Visit Days

1. New Mexico State University will be hosting the “Aggie Experience Days.” Students will get the chance to envision life at NMSU and learn about what NMSU has to offer. Explore campus and get a first-hand look at how committed the NMSU family is to their educational success. <https://admissions.nmsu.edu/start/> please visit the website provided to sign up for the following experience days.
 - Saturday, October 12, 2024
 - Monday, February 17, 2025
 - Saturday, March 22, 2025
2. The University of New Mexico Albuquerque will have their Fall Preview Day. They have planned special events just for high school students and families. Use the link provided to register today.
<https://admissions.unm.edu/fallpreview/index.html>
 - Saturday, September 21, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
 - Saturday, October 19, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
 - Saturday, November 9, 2024 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me directly by email at camillalynch@rcsnm.org or call me at (505) 726-9662.

Inside Scoop

Community Life & Admissions

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

Just a reminder that we keep you updated with school happenings and the food menu every week in our Parent News that goes out on Thursdays. So please look for that email from RCSrenweb to keep informed.

Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)



Welcome back families! 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

1. Serving in the lunch line any day Monday through Friday 11:15-12:30pm.
[Fellowship Hall servers](#)
2. Sign up to help with the admission gate at any upcoming volleyball game or soccer game.
[2024/2025 Home Sports/Admission Gate Volunteer Schedule](#)
3. Sign up to help with the cross country meet next Friday September 6.
4. Bring in snacks to your child's classroom.

Food Service

It's so wonderful to see all the smiling faces - old and new, come through the lunch line! The great news is ALL KIDS EAT FREE for both Breakfast and Lunch! Breakfast is available at 7:30AM at the HS Concession Stand and Lunch will continue to be in the Fellowship Hall.

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, 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.

We are encouraging volunteers to help us serve Lunch between 11:30 to 12:30 Monday through Friday , and earn your Volunteers hours for your child .

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!



ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage! 😊

Menu Week of Sep 2, 2024 to Sep 6, 2024

Monday Sep 2, 2024	Tuesday Sep 3, 2024	Wednesday Sep 4, 2024	Thursday Sep 5, 2024	Friday Sep 6, 2024
Enjoy your Labor Day	Strawboli, Yogurt Cups, Fruit , and White Milk	Blue Mush , Blueberries w/ and White Milk	Waffles, syrup, Fruit White Milk	Breakfast Pizza, Fruit , and White Milk
Enjoy your Labor Day	Bean Burritos w/ Tortillas Chip , Veggie Dippers, Fruit , Milk	Chicken Sandwich on Bun , Pickle, lettuce, tomato, Curly Fries, Fruit , Milk	Breakfast for Lunch Scramble eggs, sausage, Hash Brown, Veggie Dippers , fruit and milk	Corn Dog, w/ Tater tats , Veggie Dippers, cookie , 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.

A few reminders about RCS Bus Transportation:

- [SCHOOL BUS RULES](#) - Rules are posted in each Bus. Failure to follow the rules will result in Bus Privileges being suspended.
- **Please be 10-15 minutes early to your scheduled bus stop**, if you happen to miss the bus, you can meet it at the following Bus Stop.
- **REMINDER : Please SLOW DOWN in the RCS parking lots when dropping off and picking up students on campus.**
- Please make sure your contact information is up to date in RenWeb (Phone numbers and email addresses) We need to make sure everyone gets the alerts. We also must be able to contact you in case of changes or an emergency.

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

Welcome back for another school year! Sports have started at the High School and Middle School. If your child wants to join sports please contact their coaches as soon as possible. Here are our coaches contact information:

CONTACTS:

Volleyball coach, Char Chapman: cchapman@rcsnm.org

Boys Soccer coach, Phil Frederickson: frederiksenphil@gmail.com

Girls Soccer coach - Neil Weeda: nweeda@rcsnm.org

HS and MS Cross Country coach, Autumn Newell: ajnewell@rcsnm.org

Middle School Volleyball coach, Candice Yazzie; cyazzie@rcsnm.org

FALL SPORTS Reminders:

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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Middle School practices will start in Exploratory Classes.

New students: Please contact the Athletic Director, Adrian Pete, by email if you are interested in a sport this school year at: adrianpete@rcsnm.org

Basketball Practice Starts: - November 18, 2024

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

A Biblical Approach to Parenting your Athlete:

https://www.fca.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/revised-biblical-approach-to-parenting-athletes.pdf?sfvrsn=7d41b07a_2

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Thursday, August 29	Rehoboth Maria Hoelscher Girls Soccer Tournament 5:30 pm - Rehoboth vs. St John's (AZ) (see bracket)	
Friday, August 30	Rehoboth Maria Hoelscher Girls Soccer Tournament (see bracket) 3:00pm - Boys Soccer AWAY vs. Robertson @ Bernalillo HS Tohatchi Cross Country Meet 4:00 pm - Girls Varsity	Tohatchi Cross Country Meet 3:00 pm - MS Girls 3:30 pm -MS Boys

	4:30 pm - Boys Varsity 5:00 pm - JV Boys/Girls	
Saturday, August 31	Rehoboth Maria Hoelscher Girls Soccer Tournament (see bracket) 12:30 pm / 1:30 pm - Volleyball HOME vs. Pine Hill (JV, V)	
Tuesday, Sept 3	4/5/6 pm - Volleyball HOME vs. Newcomb (C, JV,V)	
Wednesday, Sept 4	6:00 pm - Boys JV Soccer AWAY vs, Wingate	5 / 6 pm - MS Volleyball AWAY vs. St. Bonaventure
Thursday, Sept 5	5 / 6 pm - Volleyball AWAY vs. Menaul (JV,V) 6:00 pm - Girls Soccer AWAY vs. Grants	
Friday, Sept. 6	3:00 pm David Charles Rehoboth Cross Country Meet MS/ HS	

Community Action

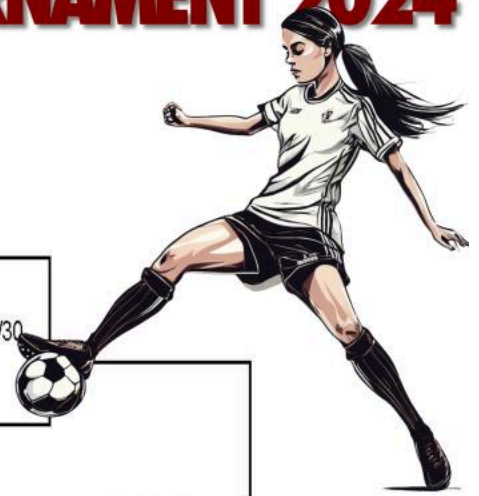
We like to support our community, so if you have any events that you would like to add to Parent News please email the information to adminsec@rcsnm.org by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.

Children and Youth Activites

The Rehoboth/Bethany Churches invite you to the church year children/youth activities kick off meal at the Rehoboth Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, September 4 at 5:30pm. Year long activities for 4 years olds through high school will be introduced. High School and mid school youth groups will gather following the supper. Children through grade 5 will be able to enjoy a foam machine to kick off the year so bring a towel for your children! If you have any questions, call Rehoboth Church at 505-726-9710 or Bethany Church at 505-722-6444 for more information about programs for children and youth or about the September 4 kickoff event. The evening will conclude by 7:30pm.



MARIA HOELSCHER GIRLS SOCCER TOURNAMENT 2024



AUG 29 - AUG 31, 2024
REHOBOTH HS SOCCER FIELD

Lids to Benches

Community Night

• 3rd •
September

• 5:30pm-7:00pm •

• **First United Methodist Church** •
1800 Red Rock Dr.
Use South side doors

**This Project is a collaboration of
Girl Scout juniors from troop 10253 &
McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council**

Join us to learn all about the AMAZING project of recycling plastic lids to create a park bench to benefit the City of Gallup

Please bring plastic lids of all shapes and sizes to contribute to this project.

Spend time helping Girl Scouts wash and weigh lids!

Bring 2 bath size towels to help dry the lids and receive a box of Girl Scout Cookies



HIGH SCHOOL AUDITION CALL!

FOR THE RCHS FALL PLAY:

Anne of Green Gables

WHEN?

SEPT. 4

3:30PM-5 PM

SEPT. 5

2 PM-3:30 PM

LOCATION:

CHOIR ROOM #203

QUESTIONS?

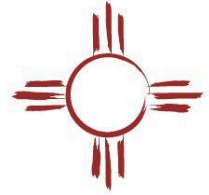
EMAIL

ACHRISTENSEN@RCSNM.ORG

OR

JO.LEGGETT@GMAIL.COM

RUN-WALK LIKE MADD



2024

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Red Rock Park, Churchrock, NM

5k, 10k, and 2-mile walk

- Age group and overall awards
- Medals to everyone!



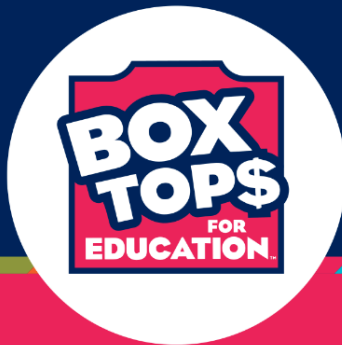
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drunk driving crashes

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**For questions, please email or text Rachael Herrera,
Regional Manager, at
rherrera@nmgirlscouts.org or 505-252-3762 today!**

Rehoboth Christian High School

College and Career Day

Date: October 16, 2024

Time: 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Location: RCS LC



Hear speakers from different career fields & attend a College Fair!

What to Expect:

- Explore career fields by hearing experts in those professions discuss what they do everyday.
- Ask them questions about their profession.
- Talk one-on-one with them.
- Talk to colleges about specific programs, costs, schedules, etc.
- Set up appointments with colleges to visit the campus.

If you would like to be a guest speaker or if you would like to set up a booth please contact Camilla Lynch at camillalynch@rcsnm.org or call (505) 726-9662.