



Parent News

November 21, 2024



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Table Talk

Dan Meester | Executive Director

Five of us from the Rehoboth staff traveled to Philadelphia, PA last week for the annual *Teaching for Transformation* conference. We were each given a book of blessings as a gift, entitled *Circle of Grace*. As I was reading through it, one of them struck me as special for the holiday season we are entering. Thanksgiving and Christmas bring much joy, but they can also be times of sorrow or loneliness for people separated from family or missing lost loved ones. No matter your circumstances, the Lord walks with you, and so do we.

May the words here bless you as they blessed me. This passage is called “**Blessing to Summon Rejoicing.**”

When your weeping
has watered
the earth.

When the storm
has been long
and the night
and the season
of your sorrowing.

When you have seemed
an exile
from your life,
lost in the far country,
a long way from where
your comfort lies.

When the sound
of splintering

and fracture
Haunts you.

When despair
attends you.

When lack.
When trouble.
When fear.
When pain.

When empty.
When lonely.
When too much
of what depletes you
and not enough
of what restores
and rests you.

Then let there be
rejoicing.

Then let there be
dreaming.

Let there be
laughter in your mouth
and on your tongue
shouts of joy.

Let the seeds
soaked by tears
turn to grain,
to bread,
to feasting.

Let there be
coming home.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving break next week! We are grateful that the Lord has woven our paths and stories together as we partner in the education and mentoring of your children.

Together,

Dan Meester, Executive Director

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Upcoming All School Events

- **Thursday, November 21** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 6:30pm
- **Friday, November 22** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 6:30pm
- **Saturday, November 23** - HS Drama Performance - *Anne of Green Gables* @ 1:00pm
- **Tuesday, November 26** - Clan T-shirt day
- **Wednesday, November 27 - Friday, November 29** - NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break
- **Saturday, December 7** - Pyramid Rock Trail Run @ 9:00am Red Rock Park

All School Announcements

High School Play - *Anne of Green Gables*

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

Admin Office

The administration office will be closed Wednesday, November 27 - Friday, November 29 for Thanksgiving Break.

Elementary/MS Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all the students who participated in this year's school spelling bee! Champion **Ryleigh Chee** (4th grade) and runner-up **Christy Neilson** (4th grade) will represent Rehoboth at the district spelling bee in January. Congratulations as well to our third place spellers, **Jonathan Feddes** (7th grade) and **Josiah Harper** (7th grade).

Pyramid Rock 7K Trail Run

The annual Pyramid Rock 7K Trail Run to support the Rehoboth track team will take place on Saturday, December 7 at Red Rock State Park. Packet pick-up is 8:00am and the race begins at 9:00am. See the attached flier for details for signing up. If you sign up by November 22 the entry fee is \$30, after that date it will be \$42.

Parent Volunteer Hours

Just a reminder that all families are required to do **10 hours** of volunteer service for the school year and to submit your hours. Each hour is worth \$15. Please refer to page 8 for ways to volunteer and also for the link to submitting your completed hours. We will be sending out a letter in December with the balance of your service hours completed. If you have any questions please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9628.

Christmas Band Concert

The Rehoboth Christian School bands invite you to their Christmas Band concert on Monday December 9. The concert will include the 6th, 7th, 8th, and high school bands. We will be performing in the main gym of the Sports and Fitness Center and the concert begins at 7pm. Come kick off your Christmas season with us!

ADVANCE NOTICE:

HS Choir Christmas Concert:

Saturday, December 14

4:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church

Refreshments in fellowship hall to follow

Elementary News

Family Night! Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 5:30-7:30

See the flier below for more information.

4th and 5th grade Christmas program

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, Dec. 18th at 6:30pm.

Online Games and Social Platforms

While interacting with others can be fun, it can also be dangerous. Now is a good time to check if any of the virtual games and platforms your child might be using has appropriate parental settings. A lot of the platforms have messaging features. Please be diligent in monitoring those messages. Too often those are ways that strangers and predators use to gain access to minors. For more info, please see Mrs. Gail DeYoung's notes in the "Mid School Matters" section.

Toolbox Thursday

The Please and Thank You Tool is the Tool for the season. We learned that thankfulness is not just saying thank you to other people; it's something that happens inside of us, too. We can be thankful for the way the sun feels on our face, or the sound of our favorite song. Being thankful creates JOY. It's like a spark inside us that grows the more you notice the goodness around you. Being thankful can totally change our day.

Family ideas: Create a Thankfulness jar and write down things you are thankful for each day. Share these thoughts at the end of each day or week. Watch the thankful joy grow!

Leanne Gillson

Transportation Changes

If transportation changes are necessary, please contact Val Peywa **before 2:15** so that she has time to communicate with classroom teachers and students. Any request made after this time may not be guaranteed.

Cold Weather

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

Early Release

Just a reminder that our bell for dismissal rings at 1:35pm on Thursdays.

Elementary and Middle school Drop-off/pickup

If you are dropping off or picking up elementary and middle school students, please use the parent loop past the church and behind our building. This is where our person on duty monitors students and ensures that all students are picked up.

For the afternoon, students who are not picked up within 15 minutes are brought back inside to Mrs. Pewya, who then begins calling the student's pick-up contacts. Students may not wait at the Elementary Playground.



FAMILY NIGHT

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5:30-7:30
MS Commons Area

Please join us for a night of exploration.
Come ready to
think, build, and learn together!

Middle School Matters

Media and Your Mid-Schooler

Dear Parents,

As I (Gail DeYoung) meet with your mid school age children, we will often talk about technology, cell phones, media, the internet, screen time, and all things that seem to consume much of our lives.

We have done an excellent job of watching over our childrens' lives in the real world while doing our best to protect them from people and situations that may bring harm. **One concern that I have is that we have a much more difficult time protecting our children from the virtual world of their phones, media, internet, etc. I have worked with several of our mid school students who have been approached by predators online. In some cases this "person" just wants to be a friend. However, oftentimes, their purpose is to "groom" trusting kids to do any number of things such as give out personal information, meet with the predator and send pictures of themselves and eventually sexual images to the predator.** In all cases, our children are fearful of their parents finding out.

One site that has come up repeatedly is a video game called "roblox". Roblox is a video game/social platform where kids can play games as well as interact online with both people they know and people they don't know.

Because of concern from parents about these things, Roblox now allows parents to go in and set limits on who their children can interact with through the site. If you go to google.com and type in "roblox parental controls" along with your child's password for the site, you can set limits on who and what they can do on this site. It is just another way of protecting your child from social media!

I am happy to talk more about these issues with you. You can contact me at gdeyoung@rcsnm.org. Thanks much for caring about your mid schooler and media!

MS Basketball Season

Basketball season has begun! Practices will always take place during our exploratory class period on B Days. There are no after-school practices.

Upcoming Events (MS only)

- Dec 2 - MS Bball Home -vs- Crownpoint Community - Girls A and B, Boys A and 6th
- Dec 4 - MS Bball Away @ Thoreau
- Dec 5 - MS Choir Concert @ 6:30 PM
- Dec 10 - MS Bball Home -vs- Crownpoint Mid
- Dec 12 - Water Unit presentations for 7th and 8th graders, 6:00-7:30 PM

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Snow and Cold Weather

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

High School Highlights

The end of the semester is certainly near, and as Shakespeare wrote, “All’s well that ends well, still the fine’s the crown; Whate’er the course, the end is the renown.” I have spent many years teaching Shakespeare and listening to students tell me the language of Shakespeare makes no sense to them, so allow me to explain this quote. If something ends well, one might forget the difficulties experienced before the end. Perhaps it also means putting the difficulties into context, understanding how they shaped our efforts and attitudes, affects the end of something and how we see that thing. Shakespeare was generally right about matters related to human affairs, so I think this might be true of this semester. The end of the semester is certainly near, and I hope all efforts to make this a great end to the semester are being made or are in the process of being formed. Tonight the drama club shows the community their efforts; after Thanksgiving break the Seniors make their presentations; the choir and band also show their preparations in performances after break as well. I hope that this ending makes us look at the semester as a difficult but worthwhile endeavor.

Seth Weidenaar
High School Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

Senior Class Presentation Nights

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

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

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

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

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

Michael Begay
Jeremiah Charles
Adain Larson
Sialim Benson
Rachel Tahy
Meg Zwiers

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

Nyommi Begay
Azariah Damon
Megan Livingston
Tom Rogers
Kristian Touchine

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

Sevi Birky
Mazey Day
CJ Mariano
Duvi Sanchez
Zach Van Drunen

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

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

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

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

Morgan Arsenault
Lilly Briggs
Mariah Johnson
Matthew Olguin
Kadijah Staley

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

Katherine Baldonado
Zoe Claw
Charity Lincoln
Logan Otero
Liv Tutt

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

Michael Murrow
Rhianna Dawes
Arturo Loera
CJ Sherman
Clayton Van Slooten

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

Inside Scoop

Community Life & Admissions

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

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

Multicultural Committee: We are looking for parents interested in joining the multicultural committee to help with ideas and planning future events for our student body and community. We have many exciting days to plan for and you can also earn volunteer hours by joining or volunteering at a future event we sponsor. Get in touch with Verlena Livingston at vlivingston@rcsnm.org.

New Student Application for 2nd Semester: Applications for the second semester at Rehoboth will open on November 1st. If you are interested in adding a new sibling you can apply within your Family Portal account (link above). If you know anyone interested in transferring, please have them contact the Admissions Office and speak with Deanna Benson, the Admissions Coordinator. We are also giving campus tours.



Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)

We are excited to share opportunities with you to get involved. Remember that when you volunteer you will also need to log those hours. You can click on the link below, answer the questions and hit submit so we can get those hours logged for your family. Each family will need to complete **10 volunteer hours for this school year**. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me dbenson@rcsnm.org or (505) 726-9628.

PVH link to track hours- Please be sure to log your volunteer hours. Staff members and teachers will not be able to do it for you.

1. Serving in the **lunch line** any day Monday through Friday 11:15-12:30pm. Sign up below.
[Fellowship Hall servers](#)
2. Check out our **teacher/staff amazon wish list**. If you would like to purchase an item. This would be credited toward your PVH. [Amazon Wish List](#)
3. Sign up to help with the admission gate for an upcoming basketball game. Sign up below.
[2024/2025](#)

Food Service

The Staff and I want to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving . We hope you all have a wonderful time with friends and family. We want to give a big THANK YOU to all the families who came and made our Thanksgiving dinner a huge success. It was nice to see all the smiling faces. See you all on Dec. 2nd be safe out and about.

We will continue doing finger scans for all new students for counting lunch meals. All we need is one scan and it is good for the rest of their time at Rehoboth. Once the student has graduated or leaves Rehoboth, scans will be deleted. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. THANK YOU!




We are encouraging kids to drink all their milk and eat all the food provided. We do not want to see any food wasted this year! They are always welcome to speak up and turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray which needs to include a fruit or vegetable.

If you have any questions, praises, or suggestions, please feel free to reach me at danderson@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9616. Here's to a wonderful school year!

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

ALL kids eat FREE! Take Advantage!

Menu Week of Nov. 25 2024 to Nov. 29 2024

Monday Nov 25, 2024	Tuesday Nov 26, 2024	Wednesday Nov 27, 2024	Thursday Nov 28, 2024	Friday Nov 29, 2024
Breakfast Burritos , Fruit and milk	Yogurt Cups, Granola , Fruit , Milk	Enjoy your time	off Happy	ThanksGiving
Teriyaki Chicken Fried Rice , Fortune Cookie, Fruit and Milk	Goulash w/ meat sauce, garlic sticks, Salad, Fruit and Milk			

Menu Week of Dec. 2 2024 to Dec. 6 2024

Monday Dec 2, 2024	Tuesday Dec 3, 2024	Wednesday Dec 4, 2024	Thursday Dec 5, 2024	Friday Dec 6, 2024
Bagel and cream cheese , fruit and milk	Breakfast burrito, fruit and milk	French Toast sticks, w/ syrup , fruit and milk	Ham and Cheese biscuit w/ fruit and milk	Cold Cereal, Muffins fruit and milk
Spaghetti, w/ meat sauce, Crackers, Salad, Fruit and Milk	Pulled Pork , on bun, baked beans, coleslaw, fruit , milk	Cheese burger on buns , Chips, fruit and milk	Chicken Nuggets, Mac and Cheese, , fruit and milk	Pizza, salad , 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 to Share:

- Please make sure your contact information is up to date in our RENWEB System, as the winter weather conditions are near, our main source of communication is through RENWEB to relay information such as cancellations and delays.
- A friendly reminder to be at your bus stop at least **10 minutes before scheduled time**. Sometimes buses show up early due to not having to stop at certain bus stops in the PM Route.

See link below for 2024-2025 Bus Route Times:

[Current 2024-2025 Bus Routes](#)

[Current 2024-2025 Bus Routes](#) **(Thursday Early Dismissal)**

For day of transportation changes, please contact the school before **2:15pm**.

- Val Peywa at 505-726-9675 for Elementary/Middle school
- Shawna Begay 505-726-9632 for High School

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

Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager



I Believe: Athletics

WINTER SPORTS is almost here:

Rehoboth Christian School requires a completed RCS sports packet with a physical form completed by a physician before official practices start. Packets will need to be reviewed by the Athletic Director to ensure everyone is cleared for participation for the 2024-25 school year.

Coaches Email

- Kevin Zwiers kzwiers@rcsnm.org - Boys Basketball
- Adrian Pete adrianpete@rcsnm.org - Girls Basketball
- Todd Perkins tperkins@rcsnm.org - MS Boys Basketball (A team)
- TJ Rousseau trousseau@rcsnm.org - 6th/MS Boys Basketball
- Keith Blystra kblystra@rcsnm.org - MS Girls Basketball

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

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

DATE	HIGH SCHOOL	MIDDLE SCHOOL
Saturday, November 30	HS Basketball Scrimmage	
Monday, December 2		MS Basketball HOME vs. Crownpoint Community School 4:00pm - Girls B 5:00pm - Boys B 6:00pm - Girls A 7:00pm - Boys A
Tuesday, December 3	5:00pm/6:30pm Boys Basketball AWAY vs. Tohatchi 5:00pm/6:30pm Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Wingate	
Wednesday, December 4		MS Basketball AWAY vs. Thoreau 4:00pm - Girls B 5:00pm - Boys B 6:00pm - Girls A 7:00pm - Boys A
Thursday, December 5	Girls Basketball C-team Miyamura Tournament RCS Boys Basketball Tournament	

Community Action

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

Rehoboth Christian High School Drama Club presents



ANNE OF GREEN GABLES

TICKETS:

\$3
STUDENTS

\$5
ADULTS

SHOWTIMES:

November 21 | 6:30 pm

November 22 | 6:30 pm

November 23 | 1:00 pm

LOCATION:

Rehoboth High LC

Tickets can be purchased at the HS office or Administration building



PYRAMID ROCK 2024 7K RUN

DECEMBER 7- 9AM

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

PACKET PICKUP @ 8AM
ON SITE REGISTRATION 7:00-8:30 AM

LOCATION
RED ROCK STATE PARK

**REGISTER ONLINE
BY SCANNING QR CODE**



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