

## 2025-2026 Back-To-School Information Packet



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## **Table Talk**

Dear Rehoboth Parents and Students,

It's my pleasure to welcome you to the 2025-26 school year at Rehoboth Christian School! I can remember vividly attending a Y2K New Year's Eve party as a teacher at my first school in Chicago. What I can't believe is that the party was 25 years ago. Similarly, I remember being asked in elementary school to write paragraphs about what life would be like way off in the future—you know, like in the year 2020 or 2025! I imagined flying cars and trains that run on magnet tracks. Although we don't see those changes in a widespread sense, the world does look far different today than it did at the turn of the century.

When life throws changes or challenges at us, it can feel like we're being tossed about in a small boat during a big storm. How do we respond when faced with a sudden, dangerous illness? What do we do or say when one of our loved ones is struggling with their mental health? What happens if the future of our employment feels uncertain? How do we face difficult conversations about topics that polarize people and drive wedges between us? What comfort is there if we're questioning our faith in God or struggling with our relationship with Him?

In those kinds of times of uncertainty, it's important to have a strong foundation that supports us—something that helps us stand firm when the rest of the world feels like it's spinning out of control. The Bible compares us to trees and their roots to describe that kind of underpinning support. And that metaphor is where we get our theme for the year: *Rooted*.

Colossians 2:6-7 says, "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <u>rooted and built up in him</u>, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." One of the main parts of our job here at Rehoboth is to help nurture your children's roots—to help them understand who and what deserves their trust . . . and to provide opportunities for them to practice the vulnerability of that trust, which in turn strengthens their roots even more for the future.

This year my hope is that all of us experience different ways to ground ourselves in our faith—to be *rooted*. When a tree has healthy roots, it will bear good fruit; and I long to see a campus, a community, and a world transformed by the fruit that we bear together. I'm excited to walk that journey of growth with all of you. Thanks for trusting us and partnering with us in educating your kids. Enjoy the rest of your summer, and know that we will be ready to welcome you back warmly in August.

In Christ,

Dan Meester Executive Director Rehoboth Christian School dmeester@rcsnm.org (505) 726-9623

## **ORIENTATION SCHEDULE**

#### Thursday, August 7, 2025

- "LC" refers to the common area in the High School.
- SFC refers to the Sports and Fitness Center which is connected to the High School.
- Parent Orientation will be held at 3 different intervals, choose your best time to attend.

#### Elementary Families: Kindergarten- 5th grade

3:00 - 4:00 pm	<ul> <li>OPEN HOUSE: meet your teachers in the Elementary for ALL K-5 families</li> <li>Parent Booths in the LC will be open from 3pm-7pm</li> </ul>
4pm, 4:30pm, & 5:00 pm	<ul> <li>(K-5th) New Parent Orientation in the Big Room</li> <li>New Parent Orientation will be held at 3 different intervals, choose your best time to attend.</li> </ul>
5:00 - 7:00 pm	Dinner & Parent Booths will also be open for all families K-12 in the LC <i>PARENT BOOTHS:</i> Finalize enrollment details in the LC and visit booths regarding transportation, tuition contracts, lunch program, and the after school program.

#### Middle School Families: 6th-8th grade

3:00 - 4:00 pm	<ul> <li>OPEN HOUSE: meet your teachers in the Middle School (required for all 6th grade students &amp; families <u>and</u> all new students/families in 7th &amp; 8th grade)</li> <li>Parent Booths in the LC will be open from 3pm-7pm</li> </ul>	
4pm, 4:30pm, & 5:00 pm	<ul> <li>(6th-8th) New Parent Orientation in the Navajo Code Talkers Library</li> <li>New Parent Orientation will be held at 3 different intervals, choose your best time to attend.</li> </ul>	
5:00 - 7:00 pm	Dinner & Parent Booths for all families K-12 in the LC (see description above)	

#### High School Families: 9th-12th grade

3:00 - 5:00 pm	<ul> <li>Student Orientation Activities in the High School (for <u>all freshmen</u> and <u>any students</u> <u>grade 10-12th who are new to RCS.</u></li> <li><i>Parent Booths in the LC will be open from 3pm-7pm</i></li> </ul>
4pm, 4:30pm, & 5:00 pm	<ul> <li>(9th-12th) Parent Orientation in Room 210</li> <li>Parent Orientation will be held at 3 different intervals, choose your best time to attend.</li> </ul>
5:00 - 7:00 pm	Dinner & Parent Booths for all families K-12 (HS students rejoin parents) in the LC (See description above)

Can earn volunteer hours so please fill out google form after attendance to input your hours (up to 2 hours)

#### **CLICK HERE** to download the 2025-2026 School Calendar

## **Elementary School**

#### **Elementary Handbook:**

https://www.rcsnm.org/admissions/schools/resources.cfm

## **Parents of RCS Elementary Students**

Welcome to the 2025-26 school year at Rehoboth Christian Middle School! I hope that you have found some time this summer to be still, and present, and rejuvenate for the coming year! As I write this, my kids are playing a game together on the floor, enjoying a relaxing morning. What a blessing!

My name is Tara DeYoung, this will be my fourth year as principal at Rehoboth after working 15 years in public education in both New Mexico and Colorado. My husband and I are both Rehoboth alumni and we are thrilled that our three children are able to attend Rehoboth as well.

At Rehoboth we embrace Teaching for Transformation, a framework that guides our instruction and everything we do through a biblical perspective. From this, *my deep hope is that we, as a beautifully diverse body of Christ, would practice the discipline of community, so that all that we do leads us to Christ.* This year, our school theme is "ROOTED," from Colossians 2:6-7: "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Our school theme will help foster good discussions and action to grow our body of Christ.

#### A few things to note as we look forward to the coming school year:

- We are blessed to have many of our staff members returning this year and are grateful for the blessing of additional staff! This year, Kathleen Hosteen will be joining our staff as elementary Navajo teacher, and Erin Neilson is transitioning from 3rd grade assistant to elementary music teacher.
- 2. We have made some minor tweaks to our attendance policy for this school year in order to refine our processes and make sure that we are in good communication with you, so please be sure to carefully read through that section of the handbook.
- 3. Professional development for staff will again take place on Thursday afternoons and students will be released at 1:30pm.

Looking forward to the start of a new year, see you soon!

In Christ,

**Tara DeYoung** Principal, Elementary/Middle Rehoboth Christian School 505-726-9605

## **Rehoboth Creed**

We go to Rehoboth, a Christian school.

We believe in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. We believe the Bible is God's Holy Word which is completely true. It is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. (Psalm 119:105)

God created me in His own image, and He loves me beyond my imagination (Psalm 139). He calls me by name (John 10:3). He wrote my name on the palms of His hands (Isaiah 49:16)!

At our school we are each different, but we are one in Jesus. We respect each other and honor the gifts that God has given each of us.

At Rehoboth we learn that every inch of our world belongs to God! Every subject is His. I will work hard to learn and grow in knowledge and in wisdom.

I will follow Jesus Christ and listen to His voice. He calls me to use words of kindness, to respect God's creation and all authority, and to encourage and serve the people around me.

"We will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of His splendor." (Isaiah 61:3)

### PreK and Early PreK Rehoboth Early Childhood Center

If you have a child attending Rehoboth's Early Childhood Center in the PreK or Mixed Age classrooms, here is some information:

• Our Director, Nicole Steiger, has been sharing updates via email. If you have not received any emails, please contact her at <a href="mailto:nsteiger@rcsnm.org">nsteiger@rcsnm.org</a>

#### Tuesday, August 19, 2025 is the first day of school for PreK and Early PreK

## Supply List 2025 - 2026

#### Please provide the following items:

- Blanket and pillow labeled with child's name
- 2 full sets of extra clothes (shirts, pants, underwear, socks, shoes) in a Ziploc bag labeled with child's name
- Reusable water bottle labeled with child's name
- Backpack (optional)



# Supply List:

## Kindergarten- 5th



### **Kindergarten Student Supply List**

2025- 2026 School Year · School Theme: Rooted

#### For Your Cubby:

- □ Crayons (24 pack)
- □ Kids' Scissors
- □ Markers (10 ct. wide)

#### For Our Classroom Community:

- Disinfectant Wipes (2 canisters)
- Purple glue sticks (2 pack)
- □ Large eraser (2 ct)
- □ Tissues (1 Box)

#### **Additional Personal Items:\***

- □ Backpack\*\*
- □ Water Bottle
- Indoor shoes or slippers
- □ Small pillow (not a blanket)
- Extra clothes

   (underwear, socks, shirt, pants) in case
   of an accident.
   Please put in a large
   ziplock bag with your
  - child's name on it.

\* Please write your child's name on each <u>marker, scissors</u> and all <u>additional</u> <u>personal items</u> listed above. We will share the classroom community supplies.

\*\*The backpack should be big enough to hold a folder.

Note: The school will provide a take home folder, pencil box, pencils, and cubby. Thank you!

### 2025/2026 First Grade School Supplies

Below are items that your child will use throughout the school year.

• 2 packages of Ticonderoga pencils (10 count or more)-

Ticonderoga pencils are a good brand. Please no pencils with pictures around them. These pencils don't sharpen well and are constantly breaking at the tips

• 2 packages of the 10 pack Crayola markers- normal size

1 packages of the 24 pack Crayola crayons

● 8 glue sticks- Elmer's glue is a good brand. They don't dry out as easily.

• 1 Primary Journal Composition books - the kind with dotted lines and half a page for drawing illustrations.



● 4 plastic folders with sturdy pockets and <u>clasps in the inside</u>- Plastic is best. These will be used very frequently. We need clasps to hold our book bags for Daily Dose

- $\bigcirc$  1 red
- 01blue
- 1 yellow○ 1 green

● 1 box of Kleenex- one is good, but more if you are able to

• 1 Container of Clorox wipes

● 1 package of colored Expo dry erase markers- you may choose between the standard size or fine point. You may also choose other colors besides the red, black, blue, green package. More colors help us distinguish different things.

A backpack

• 1 Pair of slippers or slip-on shoes that can be left at school for muddy and snowy days.

• 1 change of clothes in case of accidents or rain/snow messes

- Water bottle
- 1 Box of Bandaids any size
- 1 small reusable ice pack

Thank you for purchasing these items. Most supplies will be shared. Please only put names on folders, notebooks, backpacks, water bottles, and any clothing.

Mrs. VanSlooten First Grade Teacher



Parents,

I pray that you are enjoying your summer. I'm already looking forward to the first day of school and teaching your child! It's nearly August already! I'm sure you've been watching those back-to-school sales, wondering what the teacher wants your child to bring to class on that first day.

Well, here it is! A complete list of the items that I feel your child needs for grade two. I look forward to meeting your family and getting to know the newest addition to my classroom!!

It is my hope that we will return to school full of vigor and anticipation to take on new challenges. One of the ways we can ensure that we begin on the right foot is to be well prepared. I hope you are able to find most of these items on sale. If it cannot be found or cannot be purchased right away, don't worry, we can find one here on campus or it can be secured later on.

Above all, please pray! Pray for our school, pray for the health of students and staff alike, pray for our school community to have a wonderful and safe start, and pray for our administration team as they daily make important decisions for our school. Our God is great and He will take us through this school year!

Sincerely, Mrs. Lorrinda Horace <u>lhorace@rcsnm.org</u>

### School Supplies for 2nd Grade Mrs. Horace Rehoboth Christian School

\*Please write your child's name or initials on all school items.

□ 1 sturdy plastic orange folder with pockets and prongs for Homework papers and notes.

- 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- I large glue stick or bottle of glue
- □ 1 pair of student scissors
- 1 box of markers
- □ A rectangular plastic pencil case to store markers/pencils
- □ 1 box of crayons
- 🗅 1 large eraser
- 1 composition journal notebook
- 1 highlighter
- 🖬 1 Expo marker
- I package of pencils (try to get quality pencils; it's not fun to have the tip break on you all the time.)
- 2 spiral notebooks
- □ 1 pkg of antibacterial wipes
- $\square$  1 box of either sandwich-size or
- gallon size ziplock baggies



• Also, that extra pair of slippers from home, which will be stored at school for those muddy and wet mornings when we leave our shoes out in the hallway.





### <u>3rd Grade Supply List</u> <u>Miss Henry</u> <u>Rehoboth Christian School</u>



<u>No.</u>	ITEM	<u>CK</u>
1 pkg	Crayons or Colored Pencils, or Fine Tip Markers	
2 pkg	Black Fine Point Dry Erase Markers	
2	Yellow Highlighters	
6	1 subject notebooks 70 sheets, wide rule	
2	Composition notebooks 90 Sheet wide rule	
2	Pocket Folders	
1	Pencil box	
1	1 inch, three ring binder	
6	Tissue boxes	
5	Disinfecting Wipes 75 wipes	
1	Back Pack	

- Snacks: Individual snacks can be brought to school and eaten throughout the day.
- Water Bottles: Can be brought from home but must return home daily. Water only.
- Cell Phones: May come to school but must be turned off and placed in a cell phone box and stored in the main office between 8:00am to 3:00pm. Students may use them after 3:05pm.
- \*Toys or items from home: Toys or stuff animals are not allowed in school, exceptions are special days (Stuff animal day and Read All Day).



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It will be helpful if your child labels as many items as possible with their name.

\_\_ 24 each - (2) Large Packs of Pencils, lead or mechanical (extra lead if using mechanical)

- Pointed scissors
- \_\_ (2) Boxes of colored pencils
- \_\_ (1) Pack of red pens (4-5 red pens)
- \_\_ (4-5) multi-colored pens (no black)
- \_\_ (1) small pack of <u>yellow</u> or <u>assorted color</u> Highlighters
- \_\_ Box of markers either thin or fat or both
- \_\_ (4-5) Glue Stick Package
- \_\_ 5 spiral notebooks (Wide-Ruled)
- \_\_1 composition book (Wide-Ruled)
- \_\_ 3" 3-ring Zipper Cloth Binder <u>w/ Zipper</u>
- \_\_ Supplies pouch to fit in 3-ring binder
- (1) box of tissues
- \_\_ (2) containers of Clorox wipes
- \_\_ Package of 5 subject dividers WITH POCKETS
- \_\_ A sturdy, everyday <u>headphones to keep at school</u>



**5th grade School Supply List** 

#### **Rehoboth Christian School**

It will be helpful if your child labels as many items as possible.

- \_\_\_ Reusable water bottle *to keep at school*
- \_\_\_ 24 Pencils, lead or mechanical (extra lead if using mechanical)
- \_\_1 package pencil top erasers or large pink erasers
- \_\_\_\_4 or more colored pens (no black)
- Pointed scissors
- \_\_ Box of colored pencils (12 or more)
- \_\_ Box of markers either thin or fat or both
- \_\_ 2 highlighters
- \_\_ 2 glue sticks
- \_1 composition book
- \_\_ 4 three-prong pocket folders
- \_\_ Supplies pouch or box
- (2) boxes of tissues
- \_\_ (2) containers of Clorox wipes
- \_\_ Earbuds/headphones to keep at school

Extras: If you are able, consider donating any of the following for class use:

- Ziplock bags (snack size, sandwich size, quart size, or gallon size)
- Pencils
- Expo markers (fine point or broad)
- highlighters

## **Middle School**

#### Middle School Handbook:

https://www.rcsnm.org/admissions/schools/resources.cfm

### **Parents of RCS Middle School Students**

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#### A few things to note as we look forward to the coming school year:

- 1. We are blessed to have many of our staff members returning this year and are grateful for the blessing of additional staff! This year Jeanne Kamps will be joining our staff as a Middle School SALT teacher.
- 2. We have made some minor tweaks to our attendance policy for this school year in order to refine our processes and make sure that we are in good communication with you, so please be sure to carefully read through that section of the handbook.
- 3. This year professional development for staff will again take place on Thursday afternoons and students will be released at 1:30pm.

Looking forward to the start of a new year, see you soon!

In Christ,

**Tara DeYoung** Principal, Elementary/Middle Rehoboth Christian School 505-726-9605

# Supply List: 6th-8th grade

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Supply List Rehoboth Christian School 2025-2026

Please make sure your child has the following items on the first day of school. We will spend time labeling and organizing all items.

#### Items to be stored in your assigned student locker:

- 1. 2 Spiral Notebooks (Math, Science)
- 2. 1 Composition Notebook (Social Studies)
- 3. 1 1/2" binder with at least 5 dividers (Math, Science, Social Studies, ELA, Reading)
- 4. Scissors
- 5. Glue stick
- 6. 12 inch ruler
- 7. Pencils (We recommend a stash for the locker, the pencil pouch, and at home)
- 8. Calculator (TI-15 is a great option, will likely need to buy online)
- 9. Blue or black pens
- 10. Colored pencils
- 11. Pencil box/pouch that will hold items 4-10 listed above.
- 12. Locker Shelf (lockers are only 11 1/2" wide, not all shelves will fit!)
- 13. 2025-2026 Planner

#### Items to be given to your Block 1 teacher:

- 2 containers of Clorox Wipes
- 2 boxes of Facial Tissue

### Supplies that can be donated as we always run out of because we share them with students as needed.

Color Markers
Color Pencils
Dry Erase Markers
Pencils
Loose-leaf Lined Paper
Highlighters

Highlighters
Welcome 6<sup>th</sup> graders

## 7th & 8th Grade Supply List

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#### Shared Items:

- □ 2 containers of Clorox wipes
- □ 2 boxes of Facial Tissue

#### For everyday use:

- □ Pencils
- □ 1 or 2- Composition books (science 1-100 page book, 8th grade communications)
- □ 2 or 3- 1in 3 Ring Binders (math, US history, 8th grade communications)
- □ 1 or 2- Spiral notebooks (math, 7th grade communications)
- □ Lined paper (**US history**)
- □ Folder (**science** 2-pocket)
- □ Sheet protectors (math)
- □ Packing tape (**science**)
- □ Glue sticks (science)
- □ Highlighters (at least four different colors)
- Red or blue pens
- □ Colored pencils
- □ Colored markers
- □ Scissors
- Calculator Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS or TI-30Xa (for math at home)
- □ Earbuds (for audio text to speech- 7th grade Bible)
- □ 2025-26 Planner (recommended)



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## **High School**

#### **High School Handbook:**

https://www.rcsnm.org/admissions/schools/resources.cfm

## **Parents of RCS High School Students**

Greetings, RCHS families!

I hope your summer has been (and still is) full of enriching rest and adventure. I also hope that you are looking forward to the new school year; the high school staff certainly is. This will be my second year as high school principal, and I am excited to dig deeper into work and practices that happen in the high school so that our staff can make more quality educational experiences for our students.

Our theme this year is *Rooted*, and our theme verse is Colossians 2:6-7, "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." These verses are particularly rich. The imagery of being rooted in Christ, finding strength is Christ, is something we hope all of our students do. Using the faith that was taught to recognize the way God's people and world work together in all situations to spread His great love is something that takes great maturity and wisdom to do, and my prayer is that our students and staff see this great faith at work in our school.

We are busily planning the orientation activities for the evening of Thursday, August 7. These activities are especially important for parents and new students (especially 9th graders). If you are a parent of a student that is not new or a 9th grader, you are welcome to attend as it will be a reminder of many of the things that happen in a day, week, and year at Rehoboth.

I look forward to seeing you soon, but in the meantime I will be getting as much adventure and rest as I can in the remaining summer. I hope that you will do the same.

See you soon,

#### Seth Weidenaar

Rehoboth Christian High School Principal sweidenaar@rcsnm.org (505)726-9631

## **General High School Supply List**

Because High School students' schedules vary for each student, this general supply list is to help you purchase some of the supplies that are typically needed in high school. Specific supplies that may be needed for a course will be distributed during the first days of school.

- □ It is recommended that High School students have a spiral notebook for each of their courses.
- High School students typically need a way to organize handouts and other papers for each of their courses. A three binder or a folder for each course is recommended for such organization.
- High School students should have a supply of both pens and pencils for their courses.
- Students should have a minimum of a scientific calculator for their math and science classes. For Math classes that are Algebra 2 and higher a graphing calculator is required.



- □ Calculator apps on smartphones, tablets, and computers do not meet the necessary requirements for courses. These apps may only be used with teacher's discretion.
- Although not required, students are allowed to bring their own devices such as personal laptops and tablets to aid in their school work. The high school does have a computer lab for student use as well as other classroom based technologies.

## Athletics

www.maxpreps.com



#### For Mid-School & High School (6th-12th) STUDENT ATHLETES

#### Reminders:

- Rehoboth Christian School will require a completed RCS sports packet with a physical form completed by a physician before official practices start.
  - <u>Click here to download the athletic packet</u>
- To submit the sports packets, please drop them off at the High School office (not open until July 28th)
- Please request for a copy of the packet submitted, so you have a copy for your records.
- Packets will need to be reviewed by the Athletic Director to ensure everyone is cleared for participation for the 2025-26 school year.

Official High School Cross Country, Volleyball, Girls Soccer and Boys Soccer Practices begin Monday, August 11, 2025.

#### Middle School practices will start when school starts in Exploratory Classes.

High School students: Please contact your coaches in regards to pre-season workouts.

- Volleyball coach Char Chapman: cchapman@rcsnm.org
- Boys Soccer coach Phil Frederickson: frederiksenphil@gmail.com
- Girls Soccer coach Neil Weeda: nweeda@rcsnm.org
- Cross Country coach Autumn Newell: ajnewell@rcsnm.org

**New students:** Please contact the Athletic Director, Adrian Pete, by email if you are interested in a sport this school year and joining pre-season workouts at: <u>adrianpete@rcsnm.org</u>

#### When do sports start?

Basketball - November 17, 2025 Baseball, Track, and Softball - February 16, 2026

If you have any questions please contact me.

Adrian Pete, Athletic Director adrianpete@rcsnm.org

## Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)

Rehoboth values community and to help build a stronger school community, the participation of parents and families is needed. Every year, we ask each family to give **10 hours of volunteering** throughout the school year. PVP hours are also received when parents are involved in certain Parent Community meetings.

#### What volunteer activities are possible?

#### In classrooms & in the schools:

- Assist or Tutor
- Recess/Lunch supervision
- Classroom presenter- careers, culture, hobbies, art, rodeo...
- Fundraisers for teams, choir, band, drama
- Donate baked goods for a fundraiser
- Chaperone field trips
- Lead a chapel

- Build sets for a play or sew costumes
- Volunteer in the library
- Help with a club/team
- Be a judge at a science fair, debate competition...
- Attend Parent/Community Meetings which are designated as PVP opportunities.

Please note that this does not include parent-teacher conferences or activities such as assisting your student in selling class or athletic fundraisers.

#### Administrative/Admissions Office

- Assist with mailings in Advancement Office
- Fundraiser events led by the School
- Serve on a committee
- Helping with administrative tasks such as mailings
- Assist in on-campus Admissions events
- Promote events for Rehoboth online or/and in your Community
- Mentor a new family to Rehoboth

#### Athletics:

- Concession Stand volunteer
- Athletic- tickets, gate

- Donating food for the concession stand
- Donating food for RCS hosted tournaments

Food donations count toward volunteer credit. We'll calculate your credit based on how much you spend. For every \$15 on food (from receipt) is worth 1 hour of volunteer time. For example, \$30 purchase of food = 2 volunteer hours or \$45 purchase = 3 volunteer hours.

#### Facility & Groundskeeping:

- Landscaping help-weeding, tree cutting, planting, watering trees
- Painting, electrical or plumbing
- Assist with set up /take down of big events such as graduation/fall carnival/concerts/games

#### And most things that you can think of! Check out the <u>PVP website for more information</u>.

Remember, after each volunteer activity you complete, fill out the online google form to record your hours. We do not receive hours from the person in charge of the event.

ONLINE VOLUNTEER FORM CLICK HERE

## Transportation

We want to welcome you to a new school year! We are so blessed to have your children attend RCS and we want to assure that if your child rides the bus, we will do everything we can to keep them safe. Below are a few guidelines we'd like to remind you of:

 Please make sure to update your contact information in RENWEB.. This is also how we communicate road delays, weather cancellations, etc.



- There will be 5 Bus Routes: Crownpoint, Central Gallup, Tohatchi, Zuni, and Ft. Defiance. Bus schedule and hub stops will be distributed by email and will be handed out at Parent Orientation.
- 3. Please be EARLY to your bus stop in the AM and PM Route. Bus drivers will be instructed to wait 2-3 minutes and move onto the next stop. <u>If you miss the bus during the AM/PM Route, please do not proceed to cut off or park in front of the bus to prevent it from leaving the bus stop</u>. You can meet the bus at the next scheduled stop.
- 4. If you as a parent have to make changes to your **child's bus arrangement** for the day, we ask that you PLEASE call the school secretaries HS, ES, or MS <u>before 2:30</u>.
  - High School (505)726-9632,
  - Elementary/Middle School (505)726-9675.

This ensures that we have enough time to contact the student with the proper permission slip for the bus driver. **\*\*The bus driver will NOT allow a student to get on a different bus without that permission slip.\*\*** 

- 5. Our policy here at Rehoboth for **dropping off kids at their respective bus stops** is to make sure each child gets off at exactly the same stop everyday; if walking home, the distances are usually less than one mile; if being picked up, our bus drivers know each vehicle and parent and/or guardian.
  - When one of these situations doesn't seem right, or we don't recognize a designated ride/guardian we will not allow that child to get off the bus. Rather, we will make an attempt to reach the parent or guardian by phone and if we are unsuccessful, we will continue on our bus route and the parent/guardian can meet us at another bus stop. We will also try to drop the child off at their stop on our return to base route.
  - If we are still unsuccessful, we will call the transportation manager and make arrangements to drop off the child back at school with a school staff member until proper arrangements for pick up are made.

- 6. Please take some time to review with your families the following "stranger danger" rules:
- Walk to and from the school bus in groups if possible.
- Never talk to strangers or accept rides from them.
- Never get into a car, enter a home, look for a lost pet, or accept candy or toys from an adult, unless your parents know what you are doing and have given you their permission first.
- If anything unusual occurs, tell an adult immediately. Parents and teachers need to know right away what happened.

- Don't panic. If you are afraid or have a problem, call a parent or a trusted adult.
- Arrange for immediate access to neighbors and other trusted adults who can answer questions or be contacted in case of an emergency.
- Keep your house key hidden. Don't give it to anyone and don't keep it in a visible place that would tell people you are going home to an empty house.
- Tell a trusted adult parent, teacher or counselor if anyone ever makes you feel uncomfortable.

#### During Orientation, you will be confirming your bus hub stop location.



## **Food Service**



### First week meal menu

RCS is an equal opportunity provider. Menu subject to change due to product availability.

#### **Free & Reduced Application**

Please fill out the application even if you know you will not qualify. Application returned also helps the school with funding for other programs. Please turn in at the Admin Building.

Application is <u>available online</u>, or you can pick one up at the Administration office and will be available at orientation.

August 11	August 12	August 13	August 14	August 15
	Breakfast:	Breakfast:	Breakfast:	<u>Breakfast:</u>
Enjoy the last day of the School Summer Break	B-fast Burrito,Fresh Fruit , Milk	Cinnamon Roll, w/ Boiled Eggs, Fresh Fruit , Milk	Oatmeal w/ Raisin , Fresh Fruit , Milk	Breakfast Pizza, Fresh Fruit , and Milk
	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:
	Walking Nachos w/ Taco Meat, Pinto Beans, Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato, Fresh Fruit and MIlk	Chicken Fajitas w/ 6' Tortillas , Fajitas Blend, Spanish Rice, Veggie Dippers, Milk Ass't	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, cheese Bites, Green beans, Fresh Fruit , Fruit and Milk Ass't	Pepperoni and Cheese Pizza, Toss Salad , Fresh Fruit, Milk Ass't

## **After School Program**

Hi! My name is Sarah Marlowe. I am the director and a teacher in the after school program. I have enjoyed getting to know and work with your students over the last three years, and I look forward to another year with them!

We will be offering the After School Program again this year! **We provide safe, supervised activities for PreK - 8th grade students to do after school**. We offer the services:

- Monday Wednesday from 3:15-5:30pm.
- Thursday, there will be two sessions from 1:35-3:30 pm & 3:30-5:30pm.

One full week would include five sessions:

• Monday's, Tuesday's, Wednesday's, and two on Thursday's

Last year, we kept very close track of attendance and costs so that we would know what to charge in order to break even. The cost for each session of the after school program this year will be \$15. That comes out to just over \$7/hour. Those fees cover the wages for our workers, the snacks, and the other supplies needed to make the program a great experience for your children. Each Friday, before the week of service, the payment will be due to the administration building.

If you are interested in signing up your child for this program, would like more information, or have further questions, please email me at: smarlowe@rcsnm.org.

After receiving your email of interest in the program, I will put you on an interested list. Around the first or second week of August, I will send you more information and the contract to fill out. The after school program will begin on Monday, August 18, 2025 (Tuesday, August 19, 2025 for PreK and K students).

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thanks! I look forward to another great year!

Sarah Marlowe After School Program Coordinator <u>smarlowe@rcsnm.org</u> 717-395-2918

## **School Communication**

There are several means of communication used by the school to have teachers and parents stay connected. Below are several forms that we use and we always welcome communication from parents to the school.

#### Parent News

Delivered by email every Thursday by 2pm. It will contain the latest news for your child's school.

#### <u>Staff Directory</u>

Available online through our website. Every staff member's email address is available.

#### • Family Portal Log in

- **Text Messages-** please keep your cell number updated with us to receive the most up to date information.
- **Parent Directory-** when you log in to your Family Portal, you can find parent information to connect with for your child's needs

#### Online School Calendar

You are welcome to print our 25-26 calendar and subscribe to it.



**Calendar icon-** You are also able to **subscribe to our calendar events** by syncing them to your calendar on your cell or computer. Click on the calendar icon and choose "Add to Google Calendar" or "Add Apple ICAL/Outlook".

Social Media



If you are a parent or family member who is an alumni of RCS, please connect with us here too!





## **Tuition Contract Responsibilities**

Rehoboth Christian School is sustained by committed donors and parents. Over 2,000 donors contributed 1.8 million dollars for our students in the past year. Rehoboth's existence is also dependent on parents who faithfully support Rehoboth through tuition payments. We are thankful to a loving God who uses so many for the ministry of Rehoboth.

RCS requires all families to pay their tuition bills no later than the last day of the month of the invoiced tuition bill or as scheduled through FACTS. Every month, there must be a payment made to RCS. If a payment is not made for the month, the parents must contact the Director of Finance or the Executive Director immediately. This is to ensure that families do not fall behind and allows RCS to help in a feasible manner when needed. If parents are not communicating and/or not honoring their contractual commitments, students may be asked to stay home until parents meet with the Business Office and/or Executive Director. RCS will hold your child from class once the tuition balance is more than 60 days past due.

1. By the end of the first quarter, invoices through September 2025 must be paid (July, August, and September) in order to continue the second quarter.

2. By the end of the second quarter, invoices through December 2025 must be paid before the first day of the second semester (January 5, 2026) in order to continue the second semester,

3. By the end of the third quarter, invoices through February 2026 must be paid in order to continue the fourth quarter.

## 4. By the last day of school, all invoices must be paid (unless payment schedule through FACTS states end of month) in order to participate in final exams and school events. Transcripts and report cards will be held until tuition balance is paid.

The intent of this policy is to ensure timely communication and/or payments. In addition to tuition assistance, other funds exist to help families meet their tuition obligations. There are both internal and external scholarships available for which families can apply. It is important that the school knows your situation. We see each other as family.

## 2025-2026 School Board Members

Rehoboth Christian School (RCS) is governed by a school board that is composed of current parents and alumni. The Board members volunteer their time to protect and advance the mission of the school. They are a connection between parents and the school. They can get you connected to the right staff person if you are not sure who to talk to about an idea or a concern. They are selected by members of the Rehoboth Christian School Association.

Current parents are automatically part of the RCS Association. Below is a list of the 2025-2026 RCS School Board and their Rehoboth email.

STACEY DELGADO	smdelgado8@aol.com
NICOLE HAWTHORNE	nhawthorne@rcsnm.org
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EDMUND YAZZIE	edmundyazzie@rcsnm.org
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## **Important School Numbers**

Mailing: PO Box 41, Rehoboth, NM 87322 Street: 211 Tse Yaaniichii Street F: 505.726.9635

### Main: 505.863.4412

Elem./Middle School office (Val Peywa) Elem. & Middle School Principal(Tara DeYoung)	x175 x110	505.726.9675 505.726.9605
High School front desk (Shawna Begay) High School Principal (Seth Weidenaar)	x132 x131	505.726.9632 505.726.9631
Food Service Manager (Dru Anderson) Meal Payments (Darlene Stewart)	x116 x108	505.726.9616 505.726.9608
Transportation Director (Darius Yazzie)	x122	505.726.9622
Athletic Director (Adrian Pete)	x129	505.729.9629
Chaplain (Kevin Ruthven)	x203	505.726.9632
Administration - Front Desk (Dorann Louis)	x135/0	505.726.9635
Admissions Coordinator (Kristen Rousseau)	x128	505.726.9628
Director of Finance (Celine Bia)	x204	505.726.9704
Executive Director (Dan Meester)	x123	505.726.9623



## Parent Back-To-School Check-off list



- □ Sign family Tuition Contract and return to Administration building (needed before your child begins the school year).
- Is your FACTS account created? Every year, you need to have your FACTS account set up. Every family will need to have a FACTS account even if you are paying in person at the admin office. This also affects scholarships, if you are a recipient we can not post payments to your account without a FACTS account.
- Parent/guardians and child(ren) attend Orientation on Thursday, August 7th
- Submit your student's updated immunization record to the Admissions office. You can email to <u>admissions@rcsnm.org</u> or drop it off at the administration building.
- □ Free & Reduced meal application returned to the Administration building or at the lunch parent booth in the LC on orientation day.
- Be sure to update any contact information, especially phone numbers and emails in your Family Portal
- Did you download your copy of the <u>25-26 school calendar</u>?
- Follow us on Facebook & Instagram for school updates and school related events.