



Parent News

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School Theme:

'Building Bridges'



"...We are therefore God's ambassadors..."
2 Corinthians 5: 20

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Friday, Sept. 23** – Teacher In-Service, No SCHOOL
- **Friday, Sept. 30**- School Picture Day
- **Friday, Oct. 14**- End of First Quarter

INs and OUTs

I spend a very large portion of my day with students. Not only do I see them in the classroom; I bump shoulders with them between classes, during chapel, field trips and other events. Basically, my entire day is filled with of students, I can't escape them. As much as I think I know middle school students they still surprise me. Students can provide some deep insights in life. They can act selflessly and for the good of people around them. Students can show us how to be better followers of Jesus. This was particularly illustrated to me just the other day.

I was walking to the copy room before class when I saw a 6th grade girl hurriedly leaving her classroom. She turned sharply and then chaos erupted. All of her books, pencils, markers, papers, and pens seemed to fall out of her grasp at once and skitter across the floor in many different directions. Some students causally stepped over her and proceeded on getting to class. But, before I could get there to help, one student bent

down, set down his things, and began to help her collect the material that was strewn about the hallway. Then a second student bent down to help, then a third, within seconds all of her things were picked up and handed back to her. I was awed at this moment. It is not because that it was particularly unique, I am sure this type of help is given by fellow students daily. But what it illustrated to me at that moment was very meaningful.

In Matthew 22 Jesus is asked what is the most important commandment, He replies by saying, "Love the Lord your God with all of your heart, soul and mind. This is the first and most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like this one. And it is, Love other as much as you love yourself." Jesus calls us to love one another. In fact in James is says that people will know we are followers of Christ by our love. It struck me in the hallway rushing to the copy machine that these acts of love don't have to be huge deeds. They can be as simple as helping a fellow classmate picking up their belongings from the floor. It is from our actions that people can see who we truly are. I made it a point to watch closely for more examples from students. I was amazed what I was able to witness. I saw students help each other stay focused, opening the door for others, offering to help carry a heavy load, or give others the help and resources they need. We are a part of an incredible school where students do care for one another. I have been constantly challenged to act selflessly and show Christ's love to others.

Chris Huizinga- Head MS Teacher

BUILDING BRIDGES

ELEMENTARY EVENTS

Family Night – Please come tonight to our first family night of the year. Our focus will be on math and measurement! A free supper will start at 5:30 in the mid school commons area with fun family **outdoor** activities (weather permitting) to follow. We should be done by 7:15 PM.

NO School – Tomorrow, Friday, Sept 23, there will be no school for students. Staff will be working on curriculum during this in service day.

Blessings, Jim Holwerda, Principal

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATTERS

McGaffey Middle School Day – Due to the mud and wet weather, the middle school trip to McGaffey was canceled last week. This trip has been rescheduled to Friday, September 30. According to the weather reports, it is supposed to dry up between now and then. The students have a fun day planned for them involving group games, educational activities, and some small group time. (Please NOTE: the middle school students will get their School Pictures taken first thing that morning & then leave for McGaffey.)

NWEA Testing – Testing will continue until the last week of September. Over the course of these three weeks, students will have been tested in reading, language arts, math, and science. You will find out your child's progress during Patent Teacher conferences at the end of October.

Thanks to all the parents who have provided healthy break snacks! We have had so many good, nutritious snacks that have kept us going for most mornings of the week. We have feasted on raisins, nuts, pretzels, snack mix, cracker and cookie packs, and so many more things. In addition to feeding hungry tummies, those snacks keep blood sugar at a constant level, keep our minds alert and give us learning ENERGY! The following parents have signed up to bring snacks at any time during first semester: Dunsons, Jaquez, Ratmeyer, Esparza, Guerrero, Merrill, Cope. Second semester:

Cope, Guerrero, Blackbull, Atcitty-Begay and Esparza. If your name isn't on the list, but you are still willing to bring snacks, it would be most welcome. You may bring them to Mrs. Jim or to Mrs. De Young's office.

Gail DeYoung-MS Teacher/Counselor

Dates to Remember

- September 22 – Volleyball @ Wingate – 3:30 pm
- September 23 – No School (teacher in-service)
- September 24 – Volleyball @ Ramah – 10:00 am (bus leaves at 8:15 AM) from SFC
- September 27 – Volleyball @ Sun Valley – 4:00 pm
- September 30 – Middle School McGaffey Day & School Picture Day

Blessings,
Mr. Chris Huizinga, Head Teacher
Mr. Jim Holwerda, Principal


HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

NWEA Testing

Next week we will begin our NWEA testing. Your 9th, 10th, or 11th grade student will be taking English, Reading, Math, and Science tests through our NWEA testing program. The NWEA is a unique standardized test. It allows us to track your student's growth in the four tests during their academic career at Rehoboth. The tests are adaptive tests. That means the test adapts to reach your student's potential. When a student gets a question correct the test gives them a harder question. If a student gets a question wrong, it gives them an easier question. The test does this throughout its duration eventually getting your student to their appropriate level of achievement. The data we receive from the NWEA test is vital in helping our staff work towards classroom and individual student growth.

NetClassroom

Want to check up on your student's current grades? Want to see their attendance in classes? You can do so quickly and easily via NetClassroom. NetClassroom can be accessed at our website or at this web address - <http://netclassroom.rcsnm.org/netclassroom7>. If you have not received your student's username & password feel free to stop by or contact the high school office.

There have been a few parents asking how to use Netclassroom once they have logged in. The easiest way to see your student's grades is to hold your cursor over the word "students" which will appear directly above your student's name after you log in. When you have done this a menu will appear below with "Grades" being an option. Click on "Grades." When you do this you will see your student's classes and a number of columns including Prog Rep 1, QTR 1, Prog Rep 2, QTR 2, EXM1, SMR1, etc. The grades in Prog Rep 1 are your student's progress report grades. To see your student's up to date grades throughout the first semester you will want to click on this icon, , in the **QTR 2** column. The QTR 2 column will change as teachers enter in new assignments and tests throughout the semester and will therefore show you the most up to date grade for your student.

All Season Passes

The all season, all sport passes are still available for \$100 at the high school office. These passes are good for the pass holder and their immediate family. Stop by the office to get yours today!

Official Transcripts

If you need an official transcript (seniors applying to colleges!) please be aware of our transcript request policy on page 9 of our Parent-Student Handbook.

- 1) Transcript request forms may be obtained in the High School Office.
- 2) Please return these forms as early as possible. It may not be possible to honor same day requests.
- 3) All financial obligations must be up-to-date prior to the release of your final transcript and diploma. The Business Office gives final approval for the release of all student transcripts.

HS Events

- Fri. Sept 23 -NO SCHOOL/In-service
- Mon. Sept 26 -30 -NWEA Testing
- Wed. Oct.12 -Fall Testing Day (PLAN, EXPLORE, PSAT/NMSQT)
- Fri. Oct. 14 -End of 1st Quarter
- Mon. Oct 31 -Chapel by "Invisible Children"

Chris Van Slooten, HS Principal



Seniors-

Wendy's High School Heisman Scholarship recognizes students who excel in academics, athletics and student leadership. You can apply on line at

www.wendysheisman.com

New Mexico State University would like to invite you to their campus on Saturday, Oct 15 for their Aggie Experience. If you are interested in NMSU, this would be an excellent time to visit the campus and get the information necessary for admissions, housing, financial aid and their academic programs.

Don Tamminga- HS Counselor

THE LIBRARY CORNER

The NCTCC would like all parents to be aware of the opportunities that are offered by Octavia Fellin Public Library here on Aztec in Gallup. Saturdays are packed with a variety of activities. For ages 1-3 there is MUSIC/Movement at 10:00 am. At 11 they offer songs, stories and games for 4 and 5 year olds. 12:30 is time for CHESS. In the afternoon at 2 p.m. there are songs and stories for ages 5-9; and from 4:00 to 6:00 you can drop-in for a family-friendly film. Mark your calendars now, especially with a three day weekend coming up!

We've had many requests for Calvin and Hobbes books. If you have any that are not being used, please consider donating them to our collection.

Thanks, Mare Sorenson

ATHLETIC NEWS:

Staff vs. Students Basketball Game:

RCS is hosting a Staff vs. Students exhibition game to help start off the beginning of the girls' and boys' basketball seasons. On November 11th, there will be a 3 on 3 tournament and dunk contest after school for ages 13-18 in the aux gym. Varsity girls will play female staff and alumni at 6:00pm. The boys varsity will play against the male staff following that game. Also, throughout the games there will be opportunities to win prizes, such as a free throw shooting contest, a 15 point shootout, and a large game of knockout.

There will also be concessions including Navajo burgers. Admission to the event will be \$3 for each individual. Come out and enjoy a night with the family!

Steven Terborg

Food for the concession stand is needed -

We are asking each parent that has children in fall sports to donate at least one item to the concession stand to help us get going for the 2011-2012 school year. If each of the 100 or so athletes contributes something, we will be well on our way to a successful year of raising funds for Rehoboth Christian Athletics. The volunteers I asked for at the fall sports meeting will be contacted as we need items throughout the year. In addition if any parent of any student is able to donate to the concession stand, the athletic department would greatly appreciate it!

Items needed include: Gatorade (20oz), Aquafina Water (20oz), M&M Candy boxes, Kit Kat Candy Boxes, Snickers Candy boxes, Hershey Candy boxes, Almond Joy Candy boxes, Starburst Candy boxes, Twix Candy boxes, Bar S Beef Hot Dogs, Beef Patties, Bueno Green Hot Chili (Frozen), Bueno Red Hot Chili, Ground Beef Tubes, and quarter size bag of chips.

Items may be dropped off at the athletic office at any time. Thank You for you support of Rehoboth Christian Athletics!

Jeff Engbers
Athletic Director

Ophelia Milford
Concession Stand Coordinator

ALL SCHOOL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM bulletin:

The After School Program seeks to support the whole family. We know healthy parents help motivate healthy children who can then better learn! That is why we invite you to take advantage of the Rehoboth School fitness center during after school hours.

The fitness center is located in the Sports and Fitness Center in the center of the campus. Adults can work out for FREE from 3:30-5:30. Simply sign in and note that you are a Rehoboth School parent or guardian.

MENU:

	Breakfast	Lunch
Monday	Breakfast Pizza Juice	Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Broccoli &Cauliflower w/ranch dressing WW Dinner rolls Fresh fruit & Milk
Tuesday	Muffins Yogurt Juice	Hot dogs on whole wheat bun Baked beans Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Fruit & Milk
Wednesday	Cold Cereal Banana Milk	Frito Pie Carrot & celery sticks w/ ranch dressing Fresh fruit & Milk
Thursday	No Breakfast	Beef-a-roni Corn Whole wheat bread slices Fresh fruit Milk
Friday	Quesadilla Juice	Pizza Salad Fresh Fruit Milk

Asbestos Notice:

Rehoboth Christian School complies with EPA's requirements for the proper management of asbestos-containing building materials in our school. The rule defines certain procedures for inspections, notifications, training, and proper management of asbestos. The information concerning the school's inspections and compliance can be found in the AHERA Asbestos Management Plan which is available for review by any interested party.

Job Openings

Rehoboth Christian School is looking for a **Head Coach** for its **Varsity Softball team** and a **Boys C Team Basketball Coach**. Candidates should complete the online application on the Rehoboth website and submit a coaching philosophy. If you are not able to complete the online application, please turn in a resume and statement of faith with the coaching philosophy. The online application can be found here: <http://www.rcsnm.org/employment.cfm>. Please submit forms to Jeff Engbers, Athletic Director, either in person or by emailing jengbers@rcsnm.org. Any questions, please call Jeff Engbers at 505-726-9629.

COMMUNITY NEWS:



A Pancake Breakfast for Bethany CRC

For: Church Expansion
Where: Applebee's
When: September 24, 2011, 7am to 10:30am
Cost: \$5.00 per person

Tickets will be sold by the church office, and by Esco Chavez and Flo Barton



**Come out and support
our teams,
GO LYNX!**

Thurs. Sept. 22	Boys Soccer: HOME vs. Piedra Vista (V,JV)- 4pm Volleyball: HOME vs. Ramah (JV,V)- 5pm
Fri. Sept.23	NO SCHOOL
Sat. Sept. 24	Boys Soccer: AWAY at Bloomfield (V, JV)- 11am Volleyball: HOME vs. Bloomfield (C,JV, V)- 1pm
Tues. Sept. 27	Girls Soccer: AWAY (V) at Hope Christian-4:30pm Boys Soccer: HOME(JV) vs. Gallup Catholic-4pm Volleyball: AWAY (JV,V) at Newcomb-5pm
Thurs. Sept. 29	Boys Soccer: HOME(V) vs. Sandia Prep- 3pm Girls Soccer: HOME(V) vs. Sandia Prep- 5pm

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