



Educating and Developing the Whole Person for the Glory of God.

Dear RCS Family,

June 2019

The school year crescendos to a close, and God's goodness peals like the tolls from church tower bells. Parents, students, staff, alumni, and new friends, please join me in affirming Ps. 145:3, "Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom." Let's pour out our praise. Consider the following praiseworthy anecdotes near the summit of my top-five list for 2018-19.

1. Across our preK-12th grade ministry, at least 56 students confessed Jesus as Lord for the first time or rededicated their lives. Thank you, Lord.
2. S.T.E.A.M. Maker Spaces—proof of concept. Students in grades 3-8 discovered, explored, and showcased their God-given talents in science, technology, engineering, art, and math.
3. RCHS retooling effort completed with [Interest and Gift Pathways](#) and [RCHS Course Catalogue](#) Five new high-school classes and six internships are offered for 2019-2020.
4. Community Impact Day—two outreach efforts. Northwest Harvest volunteer supervisor, Lonnie Johnson, exclaimed, "Rainier Christian Rocks!" RCHS students and staff poured, packed, and boxed 4,250 lbs. of oats to be distributed across 395 state food banks. Secondly, Black Diamond Camps Executive Director, Doug Sweet, shared RCHS students and staff contributed over \$5000 dollars in labor. Our in-kind labor translates into 20 full-paid scholarships for families unable to afford summer camp. RCHS students and staff's sweat equity stretched the capacity of two organizations in one day.
5. The Booster Club Returns—our Booster Club funded three needs for RCS athletics and sports-of-the mind teams: July 2019 National Speech and Debate Tournament, subsidized new football jerseys, and purchased trophies for the annual sports award's recognition. Support the Boosters by purchasing your fireworks at Foleys, and get your foursome together, or add a sponsorship for the RCS Golf Tournament on Sept. 21.
[Golf Sponsorship Opportunities](#)
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Tracing the arc of praise, I applaud the Class of 2019. On June 8, our seniors turn their tassels and are honored—congratulations graduates! Their capstone achievement is worthy of pomp and circumstance. Our high-school graduation ceremony truly inspires. I look forward to celebrating with the Class of 2019, their families, friends, alumni, and RCS staff. The graduate's stories testify to God's glory and goodness, their parent's sacrifice, and the staff's invaluable contributions. Thank you for finishing well.

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Turning ahead to June 15, a new way opens to serve RCS. Historically, families volunteer 15 hours annually, but by mid June, volunteering becomes monetized at a rate of \$25/hour. There are numerous ways to earn credit between June 15, 2019 and June 14, 2020. The examples, linked [here](#), illustrate Gumby-like flexibility and variety. Another option, [Operation Curb Appeal](#), returns after a wildly successful summer. Within the Operation Curb Appeal document, note the tabs along the bottom left—showing an abbreviation for each campus. All projects are broken down into two, four, or six-hour increments. For Operation Curb Appeal, I'll wear my project-coordinator hat, answer any questions, and roll up my sleeves to work alongside families. Our campuses curb appeal is important to current and prospective families and models good stewardship. Your active participation is deeply valued and appreciated. Thank you.

Prayer Requests

"If your prayers aren't impossible to you, they are insulting to God. Why? Because they don't require divine intervention." Mark Batterson, The Circle Maker

- God's favor to prosper RCS in an unprecedented way—through enrollment, giving, and impact for His Kingdom.
- 100+ people to welcome new RCHS principal, Dave Rehnberg on Tuesday June 4, 6:30-8:00p.m. RCHS, Room #10.
- *35-Acre Parcel Sale*— For the Lord to show us the right buyer.

With the start of summer right around the corner, the options to develop and engage students abound. Our K-5th Summer Adventure Camps begin on June 17 and run weekly through August 23. Black Diamond Camps hosts a Day Camp for 6th graders, and Summer Camp for students up through 10th grade. From August 12-16th, RCS sponsors our first Beginning Band Camp for musicians ages 9-12. Please see our Admission's tab on the website for further details.

As I close, thank you for choosing Rainier Christian Schools. The collective sacrifice of parents and staff sustains our educational ministry. I trust the Lord will refresh, recharge, and renew your spirit during the summer. May the psalmist's reminder powerfully encourage us, *"Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom."*

My best,

Bruce Kelly
President, Rainier Christian Schools

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