

Round Rock Christian Academy
Head of School Report
January 16, 2025

Enrollment as of 1/10/2025 726

New Hires

Jay Miller – Part Time US and World History

Madison Zardes – Part Time STEM and 3rd – 5th Discovery Support

Craig Debevoise – Part Time Bookkeeper

Employees not returning after break

Ashley Sahl – Left to Homeschool daughter

Jessica Lutfi – Moved to Vienna, Austria

Paula Headley – Took a job with an Apartment Organization

Upcoming Events

January 18th Dance Championship

January 21st Admissions Open House

January 24th District Spelling Bee

February 8th Winter Formal

February 12th Donuts with Dads

February 14th Math Olympics

Re-enrollment began on Friday, January 10. The new automated system seems to be working well. We expect it to create more time for the Admissions office staff. Applications for new families will be accepted on February 3.

School Wide Service Project

After our school-wide Veterans Day chapel, RRCA students and families began gathering items to create 150 care packages for a group of soldiers stationed overseas from Fort Cavazos. Students also made cards with encouraging words and prayers for these soldiers who spent Christmas away from their families. Students of all grade levels participated in packing the boxes with care, and students prayed over the boxes and their recipients. The commanding officer over this group is Captain Martina (husband of teacher Laura Martina) and he said the soldiers were very grateful to each receive a box filled with hand warmers, personal hygiene items, cards, candy, and snacks.

Early Childhood

Spiritual

Luke 2 was the primary Bible focus during December.

On 12/18, Pre-K students celebrated the birth of Jesus with a Christmas musical and a fun reception of cold cocoa, cookies, and numerous photo opportunities.

Students are currently memorizing Luke 10:27: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Solomon and Elijah are the Bible focus for January.

Academic

ELA: Students are continuing syllabication and rhyming as well as medial vowels as they are beginning to phonetically identify CVC words. They are also learning to recognize fiction and non-fiction books. Reading comprehension is ongoing.

Math: Students are identifying 3-D shapes.

Social Studies: Children learned about their world during the great gingerbread man escape. Parents sent sightings to school from all over the planet so classes could discuss each location.

Science: Winter weather, seasons, and arctic animals are the focus.

Elementary

Spiritual

We finished December celebrating the birth of Jesus. Each class participated in filling in a calendar with bible verses leading up to Jesus' birthday. It was an interactive time where each class could contribute their bible verse. In chapel this month our theme is: God Gives and Uses Our Talents. We started with a focus on careers. Several guests spoke about God giving them their talents and growing their skills. As we recognized Crusaders Crushing It as we do each week, we talked about students using their talents right now as students. Rock the Flock continues to do an amazing job leading us to the Lord every week. Shepherd Cru is leading and guiding chapel each week. It is wonderful to see our 5th graders leading.

Academic

Elementary finished the semester strong. We have seen growth both socially and academically in the students. In January we take another reading measurement, QRI, to ensure growth. Elementary added several students for second semester.

College and Career

- December Universities- Texas Tech University and Concordia University presented to the juniors and seniors. The University of North Texas is being rescheduled due to weather.
- Chick-Fil-A Leader Academy is going well. We have completed the Do-Good-December Project. The students chose to volunteer at Texas Baptist Children's Home. They cleaned,

sorted, and organized non-perishable food items in the Commissary based on date. They also assisted the Volunteer Department with sorting, organizing, and storing Christmas donations for future use.

- College/Career- January 13th was the Elementary Career Chapel. Four parents volunteered to be interviewed. The parents answered the following questions:
 - When and how did you feel God directing you into your career?
 - Where did you attend college/university?
 - What is a God given talent that you use in your career?
 - How long have you been in your career?
 - Tell us about a God moment while you have been “on the job”? Or how has your faith impacted your job?
- Book Drive- RRCA is partnering with LifeStone Discipleship Ministries for a school-wide book drive to support four LifeStone Learning Centers in Uganda, Africa. We hope to collect 5000+ books.

Secondary

Spiritual

December 16 was the Secondary Christmas Chapel. The chapel is led by secondary students in praise band, High Call Choir, and the Speech and Debate Team. It is a wonderful time that Middle School Students and High School students come together to worship and celebrate the birth of Christ and His wonder.

High School Discipleship groups will focus on the common questions people ask about the Christian faith relating to Jesus, salvation, baptism, prayer, and doubts.

Middle School Discipleship groups will continue to focus on Habitudes which include: self-discipline, developing empathy, perseverance, problem solving, teamwork and ethical responsibility.

Academic

This fall, 36 students enrolled in 40 ACC Dual Credit courses, demonstrating outstanding academic achievement. Their grades included 26 A's, 7 B's, and 7 C's. This performance reflects the exceptional preparation of RRCA students for college-level academics.

Athletics

RRCA is having an exciting winter and spring sports season! With a full slate of basketball competitions, successful tournaments, and growing participation in various sports, there's a lot to look forward to.

The high school basketball teams, competing in the TAPPS 4A classification, are gaining valuable experience that will serve them well in future seasons. The high school basketball tournament in December was a success, and the new gym is an exciting venue for both the players and fans. We look forward to hosting additional tournaments in the future. The 5th-8th grade basketball

teams are getting valuable preparation for the upcoming CAPPs tournament. There's a lot of focus on development and fostering talent for the future.

Our high school swimmers will be representing RRCA in the TAPPS Regional swim meet in San Antonio on January 27th. We have four high school girls swimming in individual events as well as two relays.

As for spring sports, January is going to be packed with exciting starts and milestones. From baseball officially kicking off on January 20 to the track athletes gearing up for competition on January 18 at McNeese College in Lake Charles, Louisiana, there's a lot to look forward to. The introduction of the junior high girls softball team and the continued growth of the junior high boys baseball team is a testament to the school's dedication to expanding athletic opportunities. Competing against public and private schools will be a great experience for the teams.

