

Round Rock Christian Academy
Head of School Report
June 12, 2025

2025 – 2026 Enrollment as of June 10, 2025
Budget is based on 748

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Grade	Enrolled	Max	Budget
PK	21	32	32
K	37	54	51
1 st	56	58	54
2 nd	63	63	57
3 rd	66	66	63
4 th	57	66	52
5 th	60	66	61
6 th	83	88	73
7 th	59	66	54
8 th	62	66	60
9 th	48	66	56
10 th	46	66	49
11 th	47	66	51
12 th	33	40	35
Total	738	867	748

Staffing Changes

Staff Leaving

Roxanne Giardina – 1st
Shannon Walker – 2nd
Shelly Brown – 4th
Laura Martina – 4th
Taylor Brennan – 4th
Lauren Keefer – 5th
Jennifer Mayo – Librarian
Hannah Ballew – Teacher Aide
Michelle Kircher – Teacher Aide

New Staff

Madelyn Georgens – 1st
Ariel Dube – 2nd
Lindsey Roosken – 4th
Cynthia Rivas – 5th

Meagan Warden – Secondary English
Philathea Feaga – Secondary Science
Rebecca Mora – Secondary Bible
Henry Brown – Athletics Strength and Conditioning/Coach
Kallie Jaksch – Teacher Aide

Moving positions

Tami Stasitis 1st to Librarian
Leslie Brennan and Trixy Crowley 5th to 4th

Positions still needed

Elementary Teachers 1st and 4th
Admin Substitute and Volunteer Coordinator

Pikmykid

We have been looking for a way to improve safety during our Secondary daily dismissal, and Pikmykid offers a great solution. This platform helps schools streamline dismissal by providing an organized system for managing car lines, walkers, and after-school activities. While there will be an adjustment period for our families as we transition to this new system, we believe it will greatly enhance efficiency and ensure a smoother, safer dismissal process.

Early Childhood

One of our favorite traditions is the Pre-K Drive-In Movie Day, which took place on May 2nd. Students proudly “drove” their creative, personalized cardboard cars in a parade to their theater classroom, where they enjoyed watching *Finding Nemo* on the big screen.

We wrapped up the school year with our Pre-K musical and graduation celebration, marking an exciting milestone for our youngest learners as they prepare for Kindergarten! They are now reading and writing using phonetic spelling, counting and recognizing most numbers up to 100, and applying strategies to solve simple addition and subtraction problems. Through learning centers and hands-on play activities, their critical thinking skills have flourished. Pre-K provides a strong foundation for developing social and emotional skills, helping children learn how to interact appropriately with peers and authority figures. Our ultimate goal is for them to embrace the love of Jesus and reflect His compassion in their interactions with others.

This year, our spiritual focus was Psalm 139:14: *“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.”* In a world filled with confusion about identity, we chose this verse to continually remind our students that they are uniquely and purposefully created by a loving God. When they grasp this foundational truth, they begin to understand their place in His greater story. As they connect God’s story with their own sense of self, they start to build a biblical worldview. Our prayer is that they see themselves through the lens of who God is and His plan for them from beginning to end. This is the heart of why we serve at RRCA.

Elementary

Elementary students concluded the school year on a strong and positive note, celebrating their achievements through Awards Ceremonies and Kindergarten Graduation. These events provided a meaningful opportunity to reflect on student growth and express our appreciation to families for their partnership in education.

Throughout the year, we witnessed incredible spiritual milestones, including the baptism of at least two students, as well as one of their fathers. These moments of faith and transformation highlight the lasting impact of our Christ-centered community.

Academically, students performed well, with all students successfully passing their classes. End-of-year testing results arrived just as school concluded, revealing both areas of strength and opportunities for growth. This summer will be dedicated to analyzing the data and setting strategic goals to further enhance student learning in the upcoming school year.

This summer, we launched *Crusader Connections*, a new initiative designed to foster community and strengthen relationships among RRCA families. We will host five meet-ups throughout the summer, providing opportunities for families to stay engaged with the school and one another. The first gathering was a tremendous success, with approximately 50 attendees enjoying fellowship and connection.

Highlights from the 2024-25 School Year

- A new tradition was introduced during chapel: *Crusader Crushing It*, a weekly recognition celebrating how God is working in and through our students.
- Fifth-grade students excelled in leadership roles, particularly in athletics, demonstrating growth in responsibility and teamwork.
- Many families experienced profound spiritual growth, with parents and students deepening their faith journeys. Our teachers continue to leave a lasting impact on the lives of our students and their families.
- This spring, the RRCA community came together to support a family in need, displaying extraordinary generosity and compassion. It was truly inspiring to witness the Holy Spirit moving within our students and parents.

God is at work in our school, shaping hearts and minds for His glory. We are grateful for the blessings of this past year and look forward to all He has in store for the future.

Secondary

The final chapel of the school year was a combined Secondary gathering led by Dakota Abbe, who encouraged students to make the most of their summer by deepening their faith and strengthening their relationship with Christ. His message, based on Hebrews 12:1-2, served as a powerful reminder to remain steadfast in their spiritual journey.

Student achievements were celebrated through both the Middle School and High School Awards Ceremonies. The Middle School Awards took place during the school day, allowing students to collectively recognize their accomplishments alongside their peers and parents. The High School Awards Ceremony was held in the evening, honoring students for their excellence in academics, fine arts, and athletics.

The Class of 2025 was honored with a special Senior Dinner and Graduation Ceremony. The Senior Dinner provided a meaningful opportunity for students to celebrate their journey with their closest family and friends. During the event, seniors received their graduation cords and a personalized blessing letter from a faculty member, marking a significant milestone in their academic and spiritual growth.

Commencement was held on May 17, celebrating the achievements of our graduating seniors. The Valedictorian, Peyton Turner, will be attending Texas A&M University, while the Salutatorian, Adelaide Colborn, will continue her education at the University of Mary Hardin–Baylor. The keynote address was delivered by 2015 alumni Ben Roark, and the senior blessing was led by Pastor Mark Westerfield, making the ceremony a truly memorable occasion.

We are proud to announce that RRCA was named the TAPPS 4A Fine Arts School of the Year. Additionally, two of our talented students received individual honors: Collin Russell (11th grade) was named TAPPS 4A Fine Arts Student of the Year, and Isabelle Grumbo (11th grade) was named TAPPS 4A Art Student of the Year. These recognitions highlight the exceptional talent and dedication of our students in the fine arts.

Highlights from the 2024-2025 School Year

- High School Spiritual Emphasis Day took place in the fall, beginning with breakfast tacos and games, followed by praise and worship led by Tyler Murphy, impactful messages from Nolan O’Conner, small group discussions, and engaging field games.
- Middle School Service Days were held in the spring, with each grade serving a local organization: 8th grade – WILCO Park, 7th grade – TBCH, and 6th grade – Bags of Grace.
- RRCA students demonstrated exceptional talent in the fine arts, earning state-level recognition in TAPPS 4A Choir, Art, and Dance, culminating in the prestigious TAPPS 4A Fine Arts School of the Year award.
- Teachers expanded field trip opportunities, enriching student learning experiences. Notable trips included:
 - 6th grade – Dr. Pepper Museum
 - 7th grade – Bob Bullock Museum & State Cemetery
 - 8th grade – Creation Museum
 - Physics classes – Fiesta Texas Motion Labs
 - Choir – Bass Concert Hall

As we reflect on this past year, we are grateful for the growth, achievements, and spiritual impact seen throughout our school community. God continues to move in powerful ways at RRCA, and we look forward to all that He has in store for the future.

College and Career

- **Advanced Placement Success** – Sixty-one students took AP exams across six subject areas, marking a significant academic milestone. This year, we administered our first AP tests in Computer Science and Chinese Culture and Language, expanding opportunities for students to challenge themselves. Scores will be released this month, and we look forward to celebrating their achievements.
- **Chick-fil-A Leader Academy** – Ten students successfully completed the Chick-fil-A Leader Academy, applying their leadership skills in a student-led volunteer initiative. As part of their service project, students created gift baskets and hosted multiple rounds of BINGO at a local retirement community, engaging with 25 residents in a meaningful and joyful experience.
- **School-Wide Book Drive** – RRCA partnered with LifeStone Discipleship Ministries to organize a book drive supporting four LifeStone Learning Centers in Uganda, Africa. Through the dedication of our students and staff, we sorted and cataloged nearly 7,000 books, which will be shipped to Uganda later this summer, providing valuable educational resources to students abroad.
- **College Admissions Engagement** – Our juniors and seniors had the opportunity to hear from 20 different college admissions counselors who visited our campus throughout the school year. These interactions have broadened students' perspectives, helping them explore a diverse range of colleges and universities as they prepare for their next steps in higher education.
- **Changemakers Program** – We are incredibly proud of four students who actively participated in the Changemakers program through the Central Texas Community Foundation. Their involvement highlights their leadership, philanthropic spirit, and commitment to making a positive impact in the community.
- These accomplishments reflect the dedication of our students, educators, and community members. Above all, we remain committed to ensuring that every activity and initiative points students back to Christ, encouraging them to live out their faith in meaningful ways.

Athletics

RRCA Athletics had a strong finish to the 2024–2025 school year, with student-athletes demonstrating exceptional dedication and performance across multiple sports.

The high school track team excelled at the district meet, with seven athletes qualifying for the TAPPS Regional Track Meet. At Regionals, Chayse Wilson secured 1st place in discus, setting both a school and personal record with a throw of 122' 6". She also placed 4th in shot put with a throw of 33' 5". Adelaide Colborn earned 4th place in triple jump with a mark of 32' 10½", with both athletes advancing to the TAPPS 4A State Track Meet on May 2nd.

Additional notable performances at Regionals included:

- Joey Berenguel – 7th place in boys triple jump (39' 10¾")

- Jack Johnson – 8th place in boys triple jump (37' 7¾")
- Boys' 4x100 relay team (Colton Benitz, Joey Berenguel, Keegan Buzzell, and Jayden Njoroge) – 6th place (45.6 seconds)

At the TAPPS 4A State Meet, Chayse Wilson earned the title of state runner-up in discus and placed fifth in shot put, while Adelaide Colborn finished eighth in triple jump, marking an impressive showing at the state level.

The high school baseball team also had a successful season, finishing third in district and securing a playoff spot for the first time in two years. Although the team was eliminated in the first round, their progress and potential signal a promising future for RRCA Baseball.

Overall, the 2024–2025 athletic year was filled with growth and achievement as RRCA transitioned into the TAPPS 4A division. With strong participation numbers across all sports, we are excited to continue developing our student-athletes over the summer—whether in the weight room, on the court, or on the field—as we prepare for another competitive and rewarding year ahead. The future of RRCA Athletics is bright.

