

REDDING CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT 2017/2018

Dear Redding Christian School Family,

What an honor it has been to serve with you this past school year. As we have endeavored from the top down to communicate more clearly and effectively with all our stakeholders as well as speaking life into our staff, families and student body, we have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit guide and direct His school once again!

From our Teddy Bear Picnic in kindergarten to our high school service days, the feeling of community, service and speaking life resonated on campus this year. We have seen an outpouring of love from our student body and staff on and off campus through service, prayers and community events. Our students represented RCS in a Christ-like manner in all curricular and co-curricular activities. We have seen the impact and lives' have been won for Christ because of it!

The theme "Speak Life" has been applied and practiced all year. It has been used to instruct the students in the importance of words and the impact they have in this world. These lessons were used daily during Bible time but also infused in all curricular activities. Each grade level offers a unique perspective on the theme but the end results are the same: training our students to live speaking life into others to impact our world for Christ!

With God, gifted educators, faculty devotions, prayer groups and staff development time we ensure we achieve academic excellence in all areas. We are committed as a staff, faculty and board to the pursuit of excellence and providing an education that develops a Biblical worldview for the next generation. Join me in praying to that end!

I look forward to serving with you and for you in the upcoming school year. God bless each of you for your commitment to Christian Education! <image>

In Him, Erika Piper, Site Administrator Music Man Cast 2018

Speak Life...

My favorite aspect of this past year has been the ways that students, families and teachers have embodied the theme; Speak Life. In the middle school, each student had



an envelope where their classmates could write and send notes of encouragement and support. On athletic fields and courts for both middle and high school, our kids were recognized by visiting coaches for their sportsmanship and positive actions such as helping opponents up when they had fallen and expressing concern when others are injured. During the final rehearsals for this year's musical, *The Music Man*, I was talking to a couple of Cascade employees who spoke praise for how our kids at all grade levels were kind to them and to one another and that they love working with us year after year.

It is hard not to smile when you look at the pictures from the homecoming dress up days: seniors as rock stars, MS teachers were the cast from *Alice in Wonderland*, Russell and Carl from *UP*, not to mention lumberjacks and super heroes of every kind. Student Council for both the middle and high school worked tirelessly to promote school pride and unity. I want to thank you all for the countless hours planning socials and celebrations!

I cannot begin to calculate the total number of service hours our kids accumulated, but that is not as important as the fact we are being the hands and feet of Jesus to our local community and organizations such as One Safe Place, Exodus Farms, Western Service Workers Association, Ready for Life and many more. We





are also looking for ways to expand, so keep your eyes and ears pealed as we introduce ways to be better involved in our communities.



Don't let this year's theme end with the school year. Keep Speaking Life To One Another!

Brian Steffen MS/HS Principal

From the SCHOOL BOARD

"Lift your head a little higher Spread the love like fire Hope will fall like rain When you speak life with the words you say Raise your thoughts a little higher Use your words to inspire Joy will fall like rain when you speak life with the things you say" (*Speak Life* - Toby Mac)

This year at RCS, speaking life has become a daily practice on our campus. The power of positive language touches people to their very core. The students of RCS received this powerful message daily from the administrators, teachers and fellow students. The theme of Speak Life brought encouragement to the entire campus of RCS and proclaimed the importance of love and hope to those who came in contact with our student body.

God has truly blessed RCS with His love and hope for our future. In order to promote a positive future, we must look to our past. On October 11, 1990, twelve parents met in a home for prayer about the possibility of founding Redding's first independent non-denominational Christian school. These parents committed to meet once a week for the purpose of prayer and planning. In August of 1991, RCS opened our doors for the first time and welcomed 165 students to the new school. Twenty-seven years later, RCS parents remain faithful in the commitment of praying for the school, staff, our students and parents. We believe God continues to bless RCS for this reason.

Our students speak life to our community in various forms of servant-hood. RCS students are required to perform community and church service as part of our curriculum. This helps ensure that students have a vision for their communities and helps foster a servant leadership model that was demonstrated to us by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

RCS students speak life through our Music and Art departments. The Music Man was performed by our students at the Cascade Theater this past year and our Art department displays their work through various shows in Redding.

We were able to witness a big answer to prayer this year - the completion of the football stadium lights project. Praise the Lord! Completion of this project allows RCS to continue to have Friday Night Lights for Lions football.

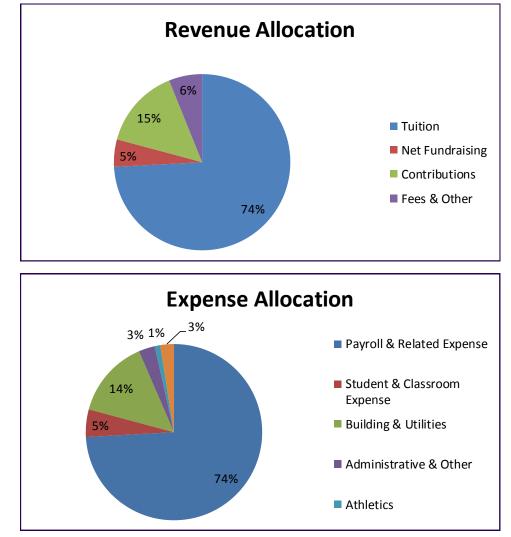
The RCS Board and Administration held an all school meeting on November 6, guided by a questionnaire that was sent out via email to every family at RCS. These questions were compiled, reviewed and answered in an old fashioned 'State of School' address in the gymnasium. This turned out to be a great time to learn about the 'how and why' things are run at RCS.

We are heading into our accreditation year with teams already up and running to meet all the requirements needed for continued successful accreditation. These teams are made up of parents, grandparents, students, staff and board members. It is exciting to see how hard these teams are working to complete our self-study and are way ahead of schedule to complete these tasks.

We continue to be humbled by God's provision for our school in the way of student enrollment and His blessing by providing such wonderful staff. We pray that all families and staff have a restful summer and look forward to seeing what He has in store for the upcoming school year.

"Love must be sincere, Hate what is evil, cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer." Romans 12:9-12

REVENUE & EXPENSE ALLOCATION



Important Dates

Below are some of the dates for the upcoming school year. A *full* calendar will be e-mailed with the summer letter at the beginning of August. We hope this will help you in being able to plan ahead. Aug. 13th - Back to School Picnic Aug. 15th - 1st day of School Aug. 22 - 24th - HS Spiritual Emphasis Aug. 23 - 24th - MS Spiritual Emphasis Aug. 27th - Back to School Night Sept. 27-28th - ACSI Admin/Teacher Convention (No School) Oct. 19-20th – HS Fall Drama Oct. 17-19th – Parent Teacher Conference (Elem. Minimum Days) Nov. 19-23rd - Thanksgiving Break Dec. 24 – Jan 4th - Christmas Break Feb. 8-9th – Cascade Theatre Feb. 18-22nd - Presidents Days Observed April 15-19th - Easter Vacation Apr. 29-May 3rd - Terra Nova Testing (K-8th Grade) May 30th - Kindergarten & 8th Grade Promotion May 31st - High School Graduation

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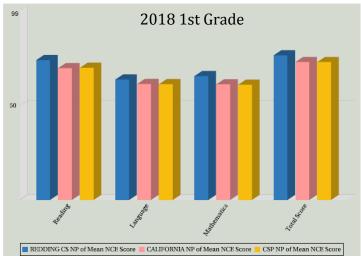
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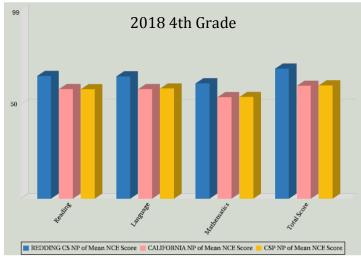
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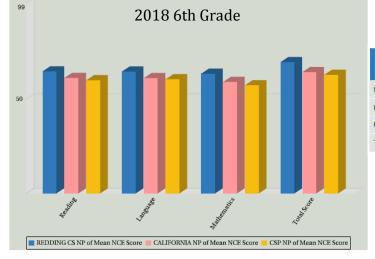
The following graphs demonstrate a sample of 2018 test data. RCS kindergarten through eighth grade students take these nationally normed tests. These numbers indicate National Percentile Rankings and compare our scores Nationally, and with California and other ACSI Schools.

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1st Grade						
Subtest Name	# of Students	School NP of Mean NCE Score	Region NP of Mean NCE Score	CSP NP of Mean NCE Score		
Reading	31	87	82	83		
Language	31	74	70	70		
Mathematics	31	77	70	70		
Total Score	31	89	86	86		





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Subtest Name	# of Students	School NP of Mean NCE Score	Region NP of Mean NCE Score	CSP NP of Mean NCE Score		
Reading	29	76	65	64		
Language	29	75	65	65		
Mathematics	29	70	57	57		
Total Score	29	81	68	68		

6th Grade							
Subtest Name	# of Students	School NP of Mean NCE Score	Region NP of Mean NCE Score	CSP NP of Mean NCE Score			
Reading	29	75	70	68			
Language	29	75	70	69			
Mathematics	29	73	66	63			
Total Score	29	82	75	72			

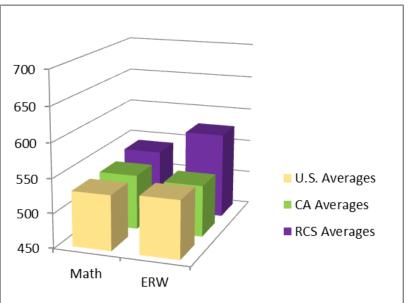
4th Grade

SAT/ACT TESTING RESULTS

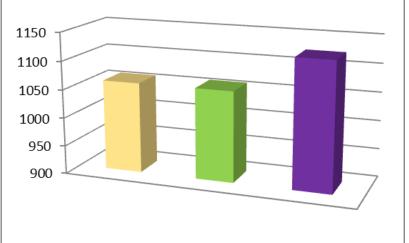
The College Board is the organization who administers the SAT test. They categorize students as either a typical student, or as a typical college-bound student. When making our comparisons, we choose to compare the scores of RCS students to the higher, collegebound student averages.

Among college-bound seniors taking the SAT test, RCS students have again shown their competitive academic standing by having average scores above both California and National averages for both Math and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (ERW). The second graph shows how the Total Score averages for RCS students are well above both the state and national averages as well

Approximately 51% of all U.S. high school graduates take the SAT with a lower percentage expecting to pursue some form of postsecondary education. Seventy-five percent of RCS students took the SAT this year and all students are expecting to continue pursuing some form of post-secondary education in two and four year universities and colleges.



SAT Total Averages



Class of 2018





8th Gradg-Class of 2022



"Kínd words are líke honey they cheer you up and make you feel strong." Proverbs 16: 24 (Elementary Theme Verse)

SPEAK LIFE 2018

"May the words of my mouth and meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer." Psalm 19:14 (Middle and High School Theme Verse)

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