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January 15, 2021

Dear RWCS Community,

Last night RWCS was officially recognized as the NM Elementary Charter School of the Year by the Public Charter Schools of New Mexico organization! It was nicely done for a virtual presentation. If you missed the live event, you can see the recording: [Here is the link.](#)



In some additional great news, all school staff that could receive their first dose of the COVID -19 vaccine did! Holy Cross Medical Center was able to make the vaccine available to all Taos county school staff. Hopefully, this will help lead to getting students back into the classroom before the end of the school year.

Note: Monday, January 18th is an off day to celebrate MLK Day

Just a reminder that this Wednesday, January 20th, is a Regular School Day for all students and staff. Art and Music classes will occur as scheduled. Just a reminder, these are required school days and classes.

Note from Veronica

Families, if you have not yet filled out and turned in your Free and Reduced Lunch Forms, please do so. These forms are what the state looks at to determine if you will receive a P-ebt card. [Link to the Free & Reduced Lunch Form.](#) Please fill out the form and send it to Veronica (vgarcia@rwcs.org) as soon as possible, or call to request a form be sent to you through the mail. **Directors note:** PLEASE fill these forms out even if you don't think you will qualify, or if you do qualify, don't want to participate. This data is used to determine funding options for the school and helps reduce the cost we pay for internet access, etc. We have had a low response on this and that may cost the school thousands of dollars! Please take a few minutes to fill these forms out if you haven't done so yet. Thank You.

Family/Parent Portal

The [family and parent portal](#) on the PED website has been redesigned to improve accessibility and highlight important resources. Please check it out and share the link with families in your community.

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The next Governing Council Meeting is January 19th at 5 pm. G.C. Meeting Agendas with the Google Meet link are posted on the school [website](#) 72 hours before the meeting. All are welcome to attend.

I hope you have a good long weekend and enjoy the outdoors

Sincerely,

Jon Orris

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[school calendar](#)

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