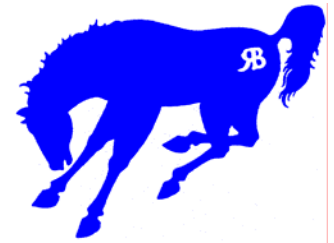


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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE ...

*Dear Parents and Students,*

Recent events at RBHS have been overshadowed by the tragic death of our student Brittany Curcio. Brittany was a lovely 15 year-old tenth-grade girl who was admired by her teachers and friends, and who had a promising future.

During the early morning hours of April 24th, Brittany made the terrible decision to take her mother's car without permission, and this decision resulted in her death. Our entire school community mourns Brittany's passing. Her friends created a makeshift memorial in her memory and tears were shed.

As I spoke with many students, the one question I asked every time was, "What have *you* learned from this tragedy?" Their answers were encouraging. Some students said they reevaluated their relationships with friends and family since they now realize that every day is a gift. Others spoke specifically about not driving without a license.

The one bigger message that I drove home to each of the kids I spoke with was that any decision we make today may have dramatic and potentially devastating consequences for ourselves, our families, or others. My hope is that mature teenagers will understand the connection between Brittany's choice and the consequence she suffered, and then change their own behavior based upon this lesson.

We are entering a very dangerous time of the school year. Two events – Prom and Graduation – provide unique opportunities for students to engage in unacceptably risky behavior. Students, please remember what happened to Brittany and make good decisions. Parents, closely supervising children at this age requires a whole new approach. Keep all car keys with you at night so the temptation to joy ride can not be realized.

Brittany is not with us today, but I believe she would be pleased to know that the lives of some of her friends were saved because they were mature enough to learn from her mistake.

We will miss you, Brittany.

*Jeff King*



## In memory of Brittany Star Curcio.

Even good kids make bad choices. Everything can change in a second no matter how responsible a child and his/her family is. This is one of life's lessons you never want to experience. Now is when our teenagers are spreading their wings only they don't know how to fly yet. Our unconditional love for our children can't protect them from this. Err on the safe side. Keep those car keys with you at all times. Brittany's family and friends are setting up a program called "Students Taking Action Against Recklessness" (STAAR) and when it is ready, it will be on Brittany's website: [www.brittanycurcio.net](http://www.brittanycurcio.net)

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*A special  
thank you to  
Quicksilver  
Moving &  
Storage  
for going  
above and  
beyond for the  
benefit of  
many RBHS  
programs!*

## Book Turn In Dates

Students are reminded to turn in all books and pay fines promptly. Textboos replacement costs can be found on the RBHS Library webpage. No checks. Cash only after May 31, 2005.

### Grades 9 thru 11:

**June 10:** all library books are due.

**June 20, 21 and 22:** textbook turn.

**July 22:** "Lost and Found" items not picked up will be given to charity.

### Seniors:

**June 10:** all library books due.

**June 16 & 17:** Senior textbook turn-in.

**June 17 @ 12:00 noon:** Seniors must have all obligations cleared. (Don't leave it until the last minute so turn them in early!)



## Noah's Term Paper 404.5

Noah really needed an A on a term paper. His friend Jason told him that lots of kids "recycled" papers they didn't write and offered to give him a paper his older brother had gotten an A on three years ago. When Noah asked him for advice, his father hoped his son wouldn't cheat, but he didn't want to be judgmental. So he said, "Son, it's your life. I can't tell you what you should do. It's a personal decision."

I think that's shabby parenting. Noah's dad declined to provide moral guidance and lost an opportunity to strengthen Noah's values and his own credibility as a reference point. Kids need parents to bolster their moral will power to resist temptations. His reluctance to intervene and influence is an abdication of responsibility.

What's more, his noncommittal response is not an expression of moral neutrality, but a statement that conveys the moral judgment that honesty and integrity are optional.

True, this is a personal decision. Noah has the power. He can choose to be honest or dishonest, ethical or unethical -- it's his call. But the real question is one of propriety: he didn't ask his dad, "What can I do?" but "What should I do?" This is a question about ethics, and it can't be dodged or evaded.

If we want our children to build good values and a strong character based on virtue, we have to be willing to teach and advocate those virtues. Sometimes that means saying, "That's wrong!"

*Taken from one of the "This is Michael Josephson reminding you that character counts."* Visit [www.charactercounts.org](http://www.charactercounts.org) for more information and resources from CHARACTER COUNTS!.

CHARACTER COUNTS! and the Six Pillars of Character are service marks of the CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition, a project of the Josephson Institute of Ethics.

**Please Note  
Final Blue  
Card Dates:  
June 1 and  
June 15**

**Final Progress  
Notice of the  
school year  
will be mailed  
home in early  
July.**

## Volunteers Needed for Summer Registration

Yes...we are already planning for summer registration! Parent volunteers make the RBHS registration process run smoothly and efficiently. If you can spare a few hours in July and August to help, please email Chris Baker:

[seebaker@san.rr.com](mailto:seebaker@san.rr.com)

## Fall Schedules

When students pick up their list of class requests in August, the list will show their fall course requests only. If a student is in an incorrect class, there will be a schedule change request form available to be completed and returned to Counseling. If the changes are made, they will be reflected on the final schedule which students will pick up on the first day of school on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Requests for specific teachers and periods will not be honored.

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## RBHS FOUNDATION

*Going above and beyond for the benefit of excellence in education!*

### *“What do they do?”*

We are a mix of volunteers from the professional community, parents of RBHS students and leadership staff at RBHS. We operate as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) business organization. Our goal is to provide financial support for any organization within RBHS. We coordinate fundraising opportunities for groups willing to participate so that we get the most “bang for our buck” making it easier and efficient by working together. We also support other projects that benefit many groups. As a non-profit organization, we can accept donations through grants, bequests, and outright donations, which can be used to enhance the quality of education around our campus. It costs \$750,000 alone just to support all the extracurricular sports groups and clubs at RBHS! We strive to offset the huge fees charged to students who wish to participate in an activity but simply are denied because their family cannot afford the program.

We can either pay those huge fees out of pocket or be serious about participating in all the RBHS Foundation fundraising efforts. Sure, fundraising isn't fun but if we are smart about how we do it we will be more effective in raising funds. On our side is the sheer size in our student body: 3,200 students. \$750,000 / 3,200 students = \$234 per student. That's a lot better than \$500. We need to think in terms of “*we not me*” for the betterment of RBHS. That \$234 shouldn't come out of your pocket either. We need to strengthen our support of local businesses and tell them we are from RBHS. Businesses will be more willing to support RBHS when we ask them to sponsor our fundraisers. This is an essential and integral element in a mutually beneficial relationship with the business community. Don't buy cars from outside our area or order clothes from Kansas because they would never consider sponsoring our high school fundraisers.

Our recent 4th Annual Golf Tournament was very successful in raising close to \$35,000! Two weeks later, our 1st annual rummage sale sold \$9000 from items donated from RBHS families and the community which is a great first start that will build each year. After 12 years, Torrey Pines High School raised \$36,000 in April during their rummage sale. RBHS has the advantage of combining our efforts with Bernardo Heights Middle School and the incredible support of **Quicksilver Moving & Storage** who supplied us with free storage, pickup and delivery! Start saving your slightly used items now for next year's rummage sale!

Working together we will make the most of these opportunities so please support these and other school sanctioned programs:

**Quarter-a-Day** (*starts during August registration*)

**Pancake Breakfast** (*Oct 1, 2005*)

**Buick Invitational S.O.S. ticket sales**

**“Bucks fore Broncos” Golf Tournament**

**Rummage Sale** (*springtime*)

*Cecile Neighbors, RBHS Foundation President*

## SPEECH AND DEBATE

*#2 In Southern California...  
and going strong!*

For those who may be looking forward to the approaching football season, we would like to tell you about the OTHER NFL... and this one has to do with High School Speech and Debate Programs. The RBHS Speech and Debate Team placed 2nd overall for the entire Southern California National Forensic League (NFL) District Tournament, held April 8-9 in San Bernardino. Typically at most tournaments, the Team's overall score is based on the performance of all the students on the team. What is unique about this tournament is that only the top ten students from each event were included in the tally. RBHS had two of the top eight Lincoln-Douglas debaters, three of the top seven Policy debaters, and three of the top twelve Controversy debaters. Congratulations, Speech and Debate Team!!

If you are interested in participating on the Team next year, please contact the Student Officers: Sachin Jain, Kevin Pratt, Joe Harrington and Suneel Jain. A one-week Novice camp is being planned for the summer, and will include the basic information and techniques for various speech and debate events.

## Upcoming Music Concerts

*Mark your calendar and  
don't miss these!*

- June 6-7 Favre Requiem  
7:00pm Orchestra Choir and some of the  
Wind Ensemble  
Presbyterian Church  
17010 Pomerado Road  
Rancho Bernardo  
858-487-0811  
Free will offering shall be available.
- June 10 Wind Ensemble Concert  
California Center for the Arts  
Wind Ensemble will record a CD during the  
1st half of the concert. 2nd half, the Concert  
Bands will join the Wind Ensemble and the  
8th Graders will perform separately with the  
Wind Ensemble.  
340 N. Escondido Blvd, Escondido  
800-988-4253,  
Admission: \$10 adults; \$5 students under 16

# SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The RBHS School Site Council has (3) open parent positions for a two-year (2005-2007) term. If you are interested in running for RBHS School Site Council and will have a student attending RBHS in the 2005-06 school year, please submit your name and a short biography to Dawn Kastner, Assistant Principal. You may also email your information to [dkastner@powayusd.com](mailto:dkastner@powayusd.com)

**The deadline for submitting your name for candidacy is June 22, 2005.**  
**Voting will be held in the Fall of 2005.**

The School Site Council at RBHS consists of elected members representing parents, the school principal, teachers, students, and other school employees, each of whom serve a 2 year term. RBHS receives special financial support in a category called the School Improvement Program (SIP). This is a significant source of funding and comes with the requirement that all budget planning and expenditures be monitored and approved by the School Site Council. The Council meetings take place approximately six (6) times a year on Mondays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Principal's Conference Room. Your willingness to support Rancho Bernardo High School with your time and effort is greatly appreciated. Please call Dawn Kastner, Assistant Principal, at (858) 485-4807 if you have any questions.

**Yes, I would like to run for RBHS School Site Council for the 2005-2007 term.**

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a short biography about yourself that can be included on the ballot form.**

## Library Update: We still need your help.

As RBHS Friends of the Library nears the end of the school year in a blaze of activity, we pause to give thanks to you, our supporters, who have enabled the Library to restore the hours of operation that were reduced by the state's funding cuts of the last few years. We are thankful, too, that you made possible the hiring of another library assistant for Tuesdays and the purchase of needed chairs and tables.

Specifically this support has been manifested in contributions from some 75 parents in the 2003-2004 school year and about 50 in the current school year. These have been augmented by very large contributions from the RBHS Foundation, Dr. Bruce and Janet Smith, Exxon Mobil, Northrop Grumman, the RB Chamber of Commerce, Deborah Currie, Post Haste Mailing Services, RBHS Class of 2004 (a color printer), Exxon Mobil, and Shannon and Jason Monroe (2 new hp printers).

More recently, the following local firms have paid for sponsorships at FOL's Hole No.1 at the RBHS Foundation's golf tournament: National Title Company and a dozen Coldwell Banker Realty agents—Gwen Thompson and Sharon Bailey, Susan Colborne, George Cooke, Cathe Gigstad, Sally Hite, Stephanie Kosmo, Barbara McAree, Pat Morton, Shirley Napierala, Len & Bev Reed, and Marilyn Sandstrom; TD Waterhouse, the financial services company that has just

opened an office in Rancho Bernardo; Fidelity Investments; and San Diego National Bank. Our thanks, too, to the Radisson Suite Hotel (Tammie Wheatley, mgr.), Bernardo Winery, and Telemark Dance Records for donations in kind to the tournament raffle ALSO, congratulations to Cecile Neighbors, Nick Anastopoulos, Wayne Rutherford, Letia Young, and other members of the RBHS Foundation for producing such a financially successful and smooth-running tournament. With the money from the golf tournament and the rummage sale, we will start off School Year 2005-2006 with a down payment on our objectives for the library for the year:

- One new book for each student--\$64,000
- Keeping the library open from 7:00-7:30 a.m. and 2:30-3:30 p.m. Countless students take advantage of the half hour before school and, on average 70 students per day check out books and do research during the extra hour in the afternoon.--\$2,520
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Library Assistant On Triple Research Tuesdays--\$3,920
- Replacement of 20 aged computers--\$20,000

\$32 per RBHS family will achieve these goals OR Get Assemblyman George Plescia and Senator Dennis Hollingsworth to do it for us in Sacramento!

*Dick Mason*

**Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.**

*- William Arthur Ward, American scholar, author, pastor and teacher (1921-1997)*

## Bronco Athletics "Sports Scoop"

As the school year winds down it has been another incredible spring sports season for Bronco Athletics. Our track and field teams continued their dominance at all levels, our softball and baseball teams enjoyed a #1 county ranking for most of the season, both lacrosse programs achieved hard fought victories over both in-state and out-of-state opponents, the golf, tennis and gymnastics teams experienced constant success, our swimmers continued to win races with very impressive times and our boys volleyball team had a **huge** 5-game victory over Poway...and these are just a few of the highlights! Congratulations go out to all our athletes and coaches for another outstanding year and best of luck to everyone still participating in CIF playoffs.

On another note, work on our stadium projects continues with daily progress easily visible. The permanent visitor bleachers are now completed and construction began for the all weather track and turf field on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Work will continue throughout the summer and the project should be completed by late August with dedication ceremonies taking place at one of our home football games in September.

Finally, all of us connected with Bronco Athletics would like to encourage each and every family to become actively involved in the fundraising efforts of the RBHS Foundation. This ever-growing group of dedicated individuals has made a strong commitment to going "above and beyond" in order to provide financial guidance and assistance to all RBHS programs. To quote Rudyard Kipling, "The strength of the pack is the wolf, and the strength of the wolf is the pack"...by supporting all of the Foundations fundraising efforts we can create a win-win situation for everyone – our school, our families and our community. Please take the time to find out more about our Foundation, its fundraising activities and how you can become involved. We hope you enjoy your summer and we'll see you at our first home football game on September 9<sup>th</sup>!

## PHYSICALS FOR 2005-2006 ATHLETICS

**When:** Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** RBHS Gymnasium

**Cost:** \$15 prepay  
\$20 at the door

**Who:** Any current or incoming RBHS student who plans on participating in athletics at any time during the 2005-2006 school year

Questions: Contact Robbie Bowers, RBHS Trainer, at 485-4800 ext. 4541 or email [rbowers@powayusd.com](mailto:rbowers@powayusd.com)

REMEMBER YOU MUST HAVE A CURRENT PHYSICAL ON FILE WITH OUR ATHLETIC TRAINER IN ORDER TO TRYOUT FOR ANY ATHLETIC TEAM AT RBHS AND THAT PHYSICAL MUST BE CURRENT WITHIN ONE YEAR AND BE VALID THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SEASON.....TAKE CARE OF THIS NOW SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT DURING THE YEAR!!!!!!

## FALL SPORTS TRYOUT INFORMATION

Tryouts for all Fall sports teams (football, girls golf, girls tennis, girls volleyball, cross country, field hockey, and boys water polo) will begin on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. For the specific time and location of each teams tryout, check the Athletic office window in July or visit our website at [rbhs.org](http://rbhs.org). Athletes are reminded that they must have a current physical on file in order to try out for a sport. The deadline to turn in physicals for fall sports is **Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>**. Physicals must be current within one year and be valid throughout the entire season. Physical forms are available in the athletics office, or better yet, plan on attending our yearly athletic physical night on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Information is available from our trainer, Robbie Bowers, at (858) 485-4800 ext. 4541.

## Bronco Athletes Commit to Colleges

Before a standing room only crowd of family, friends, teachers and coaches, ten Bronco athletes committed to continuing their athletic careers at various colleges across the country on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Recognized at this time were the following:

**Matt Brammer** (water polo) Whittier College

**Ashley Churchill** (cheerleading)

University of Arizona

**Lindsay delaMontaigne** (track and field)

UCLA

**Kate Elwell** (softball)

Notre Dame de Ramur University

**Megan Herber** (soccer)

University of New Mexico

**Sally Liu** (track and field) Duke University

**Kate Mattoon** (track and field) Notre Dame

**Zach Miller** (basketball)

Cal Lutheran University

**Josephine Sotto** (volleyball)

College of William and Mary

**Jessica Yam** (golf) University of Denver

*Congratulations to these outstanding  
Broncos and best wishes for their  
continued success throughout  
their college careers!*

<b>STUDENTS ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIPS and AWARDS 2004-2005</b>	
<b>Thanks to parents and students for furnishing this information.</b>	
<b>Student</b>	<b>Award</b>
Thomas Alford	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist University of Southern California Merit Scholarship University of Southern California, Presidential Scholarship
Spencer Anderson	University of San Diego, Trustee Scholar Award
Christopher Arzola	The Art Institute of California-San Diego, Scholarship
Krista Aspiras	Texas Christian University Academic Scholarship
Husein Badani	Ford Motor Company's Salute to Education Scholarship
Hannah Bigham	National Hispanic Recognition Program, Honorable Mention Texas Tech University, Mass Communications Alumni Assoc. Scholarship
Sara Briley	Rancho Bernardo Rotary Club, <i>Franklin J. Neuberger Scholarship</i>
Alison Bussett	Santa Clara University Provost Scholar and Dean's Scholar Awards Santa Clara University Business Department Scholarship
John Drennen	University of California, Los Angeles, Athletic Scholarship
Emily Dubina	Charger Champions Class of 2004 Scholarship Ford Motor Company's Salute to Education Scholarship
Christopher Dudley	Whittier College, J. Greenleaf Whittier Award
Allan Dykstra	Wake Forest University, Athletic Scholarship
William Eggert	Rancho Bernardo Rotary Club, <i>Franklin Neuberger Scholarship</i>
Doreen Grosvirt-Dramen	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist University of Southern California Merit Scholarship
Sue Guan	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Brittany Harmon	Miramar College Foundation Scholarship
Jose Ho-Guanipa	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Mary Huang	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Will Hunter	All State Honor Band All State Honor Orchestra
Dorothy Koh	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Kandice Kovac	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Sally Liu	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist National Merit Scholarship PennySaver Youth Excellence Scholarship Award Bank of America Achievement Award Ford Motor Company's Salute to Education Scholarship Duke University, Angier B. Duke Memorial Scholarship San Diego Foundation and Inamori Foundation, Kyoto Scholarship Siemens Foundation, Siemens Award for Advanced Placement Athena Pinnacle Awards High School Merit Scholarship State of California Governor's Scholarship

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**Thanks to parents and students for furnishing this information.**

Student	Award
Bara Mann	University of Colorado at Boulder, Chancellor’s Achievement Scholarship University of Colorado at Boulder, Women in Engineering Program Merit and Leadership Scholarship University of Colorado at Boulder, College of Engineering and Applied Science Scholarship
Melissa May	Florida State University, Athletic Scholarship
Kasey Nielsen	University of Denver, Chancellor Scholarship University of Denver, Honors Program
Timothy Palmer	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist National Merit Scholarship Principal’s Leadership Award Ford Motor Company’s Salute to Education Scholarship
Kathryn Reardon	Ford Motor Company’s Salute to Education Scholarship
Rebecca Rodgers	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Jennifer Trescott	University of Utah Athletic Scholarship
Celine Vuong	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Lauren Waidelich	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist University of Southern California Merit Scholarship
Jessica Yam	University of Denver, Athletic Scholarship University of Denver Chancellor Scholarship San Diego PGA Chapter Scholarship
Caroline Yeatman	San Diego State University, Athletic Scholarship
Liye Zhang	National Merit Scholarship Competition Finalist
Katie M. Zoretic	University of Delaware Athletic Scholarship Kay Pentz Scholarship Fund

**Leave Your Mark on RBHS**  
*Buy a Tile!*

<p>Make a Difference Kris Smith RBHS Class of 2005</p>
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*Great idea for corporate sponsors, in memory of someone special,  
or a graduation gift to be a permanent part of our new Music Building!*

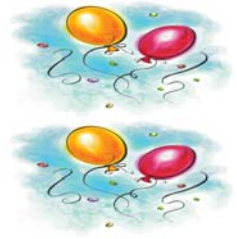
Become a permanent part of RBHS and help support our new music rehearsal hall by purchasing a personalized commemorative tile. The tile, with your name and sentiments, will become a nostalgic reminder of your high school years at RBHS. Each 4” by 8” tile contains 3 lines of text and will be prominently featured on the exterior of the new music building addition. The addition is adjacent to the Performing Arts Center, directly across from the school’s front entrance. The building is currently in the permitting phase with estimated occupancy for fall 2005. Contribution for each tax deductible tile is \$500. The tiles are limited in number. For more information contact the RBHS Music Building Campaign at (858)487-1825.







## Preparing for Grad Nite 2005



Here are some important Grad Nite tips for seniors, friends, and family:

- Grad Nite is Wednesday, June 22, 2005, 9:30pm to Thursday, June 23, 2005, 5:00am
  - Get your ticket now and save \$20. The price goes up to \$80 at the door. Tickets and the required waiver form are available at the Admin Office.
  - Only graduating members of the class of 2005 will be admitted. There are no guest passes.
  - No one will be admitted to Grad Nite after 10:30 pm.
  - Parents, please plan on transporting your student to AND from the school. The party ends at 5:00am.
  - Arrive at the main gate of the school between 9:30pm and 10:30 pm.
  - If you want to participate in the mental illusionist show at Grad Nite, you will need to complete and fax back a waiver form. The forms will be available on campus around the first week of June.
  - You do not need to eat before you come nor do you need to bring any money. Everything is included in the ticket price.
  - Bring ONLY your student ID.
  - ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING YOU BRING WILL BE CHECKED AT THE DOOR AND WILL BE ACCESSIBLE ONLY FROM THE SECURITY AREA UNTIL YOU LEAVE THE PARTY AT 5:00AM ON THURSDAY MORNING.
  - Do not bring your cell phone.
  - RBHS conduct and dress rules apply.
  - If you arrive at the celebration in a condition such that you exhibit disruptive behavior or are deemed a danger to yourself or others, your parents will be called and expected to come and take you home. Inappropriate or disorderly behavior will not be tolerated.
  - If you choose to leave Grad Nite before 5:00am. for any reason, your parents will be called to tell them you are leaving and you will not be readmitted.
  - Enjoy the decorations, but please don't take them or destroy them. They are not souvenirs. There will be plenty of exciting prizes and give aways.
- Between 7:00 and 9:00 the night before, parents and the Community are invited to see the Grad Nite setup. No sneak peek for RBHS students!

THANK YOU- Many thanks to the Quicksilver Moving and Storage for providing us access to a warehouse at 12270 World Trade Drive San Diego 92128. Decorating and construction occur every Tuesday from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm and every Saturday from 9:00am to 2:00pm.

### DONATIONS AND PRIZES MUCH APPRECIATED

Are you short of time but an advocate for safe and sober graduations and want to make a difference somehow? We rely on prize donations and financial donations to make the event successful. Grad Nite is planned, put together, and taken down by volunteers. Our materials, food prizes, and decorations are the result of donations. If the event is successful, we can encourage more students return the next year, meaning fewer accidents on the roads that night. If you wish to donate in any way, please contact Erika Wilson. She can be reached at 858-487-3790 or at [eswilson@ucsd.edu](mailto:eswilson@ucsd.edu).

### NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER FOR GRAD NITE

You can help with, whether you have several nights free between now and then or just a few hours a million things. If you'd like to get involved, please contact our staffing coordinator, Allison Pickering, she can be reached at [apickering@euhsd.k12.ca.us](mailto:apickering@euhsd.k12.ca.us) come help us provide a safe and sober graduation experience for our students!

**It is easy to dodge our responsibilities,  
but we cannot dodge the consequences of dodging our  
responsibilities.**

**-- Sir Josiah Stamp, British financier (1880-1941)**

## ***FINALS SCHEDULE*** **2nd Semester 2004-2005**

<b><u>JUNE 13</u></b> <i>Monday</i> <b>NO PROF. TIME</b>	<b><u>JUNE 14</u></b> <i>Tuesday</i> <b>REG. TUES.</b>	<b><u>JUNE 15</u></b> <i>Wednesday</i> <b>NOT A LAB DAY</b>	<b><u>JUNE 16</u></b> <i>Thursday</i> <b>LAB DAY SCHEDULE</b>	<b><u>JUNE 17</u></b> <i>Friday</i> <b>LAB DAY SCHEDULE</b>
Periods 1 - 6 7:35 - 2:25	Periods 1 - 6 7:35 - 2:25	Periods 1 - 6 7:35 - 2:25	Periods 1 - 3 - 5 <b>SENIOR FINALS</b>  <b>1-3-5</b> 7:35 - 1:42	Periods 2 - 4 - 6 <b>SENIOR FINALS</b>  <b>2-4-6</b> 7:35 - 1:42

- ✓ Please note that Monday, June 13, school starts at 7:35.
- ✓ Wednesday, June 15 **IS NOT** a Lab day.
- ✓ **Thursday, June 16, and Friday, June 17, ARE Lab days.**
- ✓ Seniors will take 3 finals each day on Thurs, June 16, and Fri., June 17.

<b><u>JUNE 20</u></b> <b>Monday</b>	<b><u>JUNE 21</u></b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b><u>JUNE 22</u></b> <b>Wednesday</b>
<b>FINALS 4 &amp; 6</b> (Grades 9-10-11)	<b>FINALS 1 &amp; 5</b> (Grades 9-10-11)	<b>FINALS 2 &amp; 3</b> (Grades 9-10-11)
<b>MINIMUM DAY</b>	<b>MINIMUM DAY</b>	<b>MINIMUM DAY</b>
<b>PER. 4</b> 7:35 - 9:35	<b>PER. 1</b> 7:35 - 9:35	<b>PER. 2</b> 7:35 - 9:35
<b>Break</b> 9:35 - 9:49	<b>Break</b> 9:35 - 9:49	<b>Break</b> 9:35 - 9:49
<b>PER. 6</b> 9:55 - 11:55	<b>PER. 5</b> 9:55 - 11:55	<b>PER. 3</b> 9:55 - 11:55

**Finals for grades 9-10-11 are June 20-21-22 (minimum days).**

**\*\* Reminder: There are no late busses on Minimum Days. \*\***

## SAT/ACT

### SAT Reasoning Test/SAT Subject Test COLLEGE BOARD ONLINE at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

#### Registration Deadline

Students who missed the May 11 **Late Registration Deadline** may try to test on **Stand-by** status. (See [page 3](#) of the registration packet for instructions.)

#### Test Date

**June 4, 2005**

#### ACT Assessment

web site: [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

#### Registration Deadline

Students who missed the May 7 - May 20 **Late Registration Deadline** may try to test on **Standby** status. (See [page 5](#) of the registration packet for instructions.)

#### Test Date

**June 11, 2005**

Note: SAT Reasoning/ SAT Subject Test, and ACT registration packets and information pamphlets are available in the Bronco Center

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## REMINDERS FROM the RECORDS OFFICE

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*HOURS: Monday - 11:30 - 4:00  
Tuesday - 9:30 - 4:00  
Wednesday - 11:30 - 4:00  
Thursday - 8:00 - Noon  
Friday - 9:30 - 4:00*

*Transcript request forms are available in the counseling area and the records office. Allow 10 working days for preparation of a transcript. Students/parents are responsible for filling out a transcript request complete with the address of the destination. Transcript requests should include a preaddressed stamped envelope. The cost for each transcript, official or unofficial is \$4.00. Parent/guardian signatures are required for transcripts if the requesting student is under 18 years of age.*

Transcripts will reflect class ranking for 12<sup>th</sup> grade students only. (Both the ranking and the grade point average range are reflected on the document.)

Documents requiring official school signatures are handled on a **24-hour** turn-around (Example: car insurance verification, social security enrollment verification, etc.)

**We must all suffer from one of two pains:  
the pain of discipline or the pain of regret.**

**The difference is discipline weighs ounces while regret weighs tons.**

*– Jim Rohn, American motivational speaker, author and business consultant*

## *Seniors, Class of 2005*

*This list is self-reported as of 5/11/05. Bold type = Final Decision*

Alford, Thomas	<b>University of Southern California</b> , UCLA, UCB, Tulane University, Univ. of Notre Dame, NYU
Alkema, Michelle	<b>Brigham Young University</b>
Alminar, Keith	<b>Mesa Community College</b>
Anderson, Spencer	<b>University of San Diego</b> , UCSD, USC, UCLA, UCD, Cal Poly SLO, SDSU
Asano, Lisa	UCSD, UCI, SDSU, <b>University of Hawaii at Manoa</b> , Johnson & Wales University
Auker, Heather	<b>Michigan Technological University</b>
Bagley, Brig	<b>Cal Poly San Luis Obispo</b>
Bertsch, Jim	<b>Cal Poly San Luis Obispo</b> , Cal Poly Pomona, UCSD
Birch, Ally	<b>CSU San Bernardino</b> , CSU Long Beach
Block, Erin	Vanguard University, <b>Point Loma Nazarene University</b> , CSU San Marcos, CSU Monterey Bay, Merced College
Boone, John	<b>University of Washington</b> , Evergreen State College
Brandt, Tristan	<b>Vanguard University</b>
Briley, Sara	<b>UCLA</b> , UCSB, UCSC, USC, Occidental College, Univ. of Oregon, Univ. of Puget Sound, CSU Long Beach
Brooks, Karen	<b>CSU Fresno</b> , Cal Poly SLO
Bussett, Alison	<b>Santa Clara University</b> , Cal Poly SLO, Univ. of Oregon, Univ. of Notre Dame, Washington Univ. in St Louis, Bucknell University
Carroll, Tom	USC, <b>Georgetown University</b>
Cashion, Kelly	<b>Santa Clara University</b> , SDSU, USD, CSU San Marcos, CSU Fullerton, Univ. of Hawaii
Cheung, Michelle	<b>UCSD</b>
Chow, Karen	Indiana University, Boston University, UCI, <b>UCSD</b>
Conrad, Robbie	<b>Joshua Wilderness Institute</b>
Cupples, Chelcea	<b>Palomar Community College</b> , Mesa Community College
Davidson, Justin	<b>Cal Poly San Luis Obispo</b>
Davis, Ashanti	<b>Richmond American International University in London</b> , SFSU, CSU Fullerton
delaMontaigne, Lindsay	<b>UCLA</b> , Wake Forest University, UCSB, Univ. of Portland
Draper, Ahnie	USD, UCD, UCSB, Santa Clara University, Loyola Marymount University, <b>Cal Poly San Louis Obispo</b> , Sonoma State
Dubina, Emily	UCSD, UCLA, UCSC, <b>UC Davis</b> , Cal Poly SLO, USC, Tulane University, University of Miami, Vanderbilt University
Dula, Ori	<b>UC Berkeley</b> , UCLA, UCSD, USC, UCI
Dunn, Deserae	<b>Brigham Young University</b>
Eggert, William	<b>CSU San Marcos</b>
Erskine, Kelley	<b>Point Loma Nazarene University</b> , Westmont, CSU Chico, SDSU
España, Camila	<b>UCLA</b> , USC, UCSB, UCSD, UCI, UCSC, USD, UCD, FIU, Cal Poly SLO, SDSU, Arizona State
Fairon, Ashley	<b>USC</b> , UCSB, USF, SDSU
Galliher, Katie	<b>Cal Poly San Luis Obispo</b>
Gelhard, Kiri	<b>Paul Mitchell</b>
Grosvirt-Dramen, Doreen	<b>USC</b> , UCLA, UCB, UCSD, Cal Poly SLO, CSU Long Beach
Hall, Tim	<b>UCLA</b>
Hancock, Jill	Washington State University, Northern Arizona University, Sonoma State Univ., <b>Purdue University</b> , Ohio State Univ.
Harmon, Brittany	CSU Fullerton, CSU San Marcos, <b>Miramar College</b>
Harper, Missy	Palomar College, Academy of Art University in San Francisco
Haynes, Rosella	<b>Grossmont College</b>
Headley, Tamara	<b>San Diego State University</b> , USD, Univ. of San Francisco, Santa Clara University, CSU Long Beach, UCI
Higdon, Christiane	<b>CSU Chico</b> , SFSU
Houlison-Thiele, Katherine	Tulane University, UCSD, UCSB, <b>UCLA</b> , Univ. of Puget Sound, Univ. of Washington, Colgate University
Huepper, Kelly	<b>San Diego State University</b> , CSU Long Beach, CSU Chico, Cal Poly SLO, University of Arizona, Northern Arizona University
Iverson, Brooke	<b>BIOLA University</b> , CSU Fullerton, CSU San Marcos
Jobin, Todd	UCSB, <b>UCLA</b> , SDSU, CSU Long Beach
Jones, Brittany	<b>Fashion Institute of Design &amp; Merchandising</b>
Kafoure, William	Butler University, <b>The George Washington University</b> , Tulane University
Kocol, Sean	<b>University of Central Florida</b> , UCLA, UCSD, UCSB, UCSC, UCD, SDSU
Kopaitich, Ryan	<b>University of Arizona</b> , UCSC
Kuptz, Kelsey	<b>Miami University of Ohio</b> , UCSB

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Lambrix, Megan  
Laoang, Rayvincent  
Lauff, Sarah  
LeBlang, Klint  
Lewis, Ashley  
Ligins, Gabriel  
Liu, Sally

Mann, Bara  
Marschinke, Matt  
Mazzei, Heather  
McFadden, Rory  
McGee, Matt  
Minow, Mandy  
Moss, Laura  
Nguyen, Vivian  
Norris, Kelli  
O'Neill, Joseph  
Obee, Andrea  
Palaseyed, Sahar  
Palmer, Tim

Plavnick, Brian

Radomyskelsky, Igor  
Rallos, Ashley  
Roberts, David  
Robinson, Kathryn  
Rodgers, Becky  
Rueda, Michelle  
Salindong, Andrea  
Santy, Jenna  
Savage, Lauren  
Seifert, Jason  
Seitz, Kelsey  
Shoemith, Lydia  
Sill, Katie  
Simon, Emily  
Skarupa, Emily  
Smith, Courtney  
Son, Rebecca  
Sotto, Josephine

Spitz, Mike  
Staats, Tyler  
Stewart, Jonathan  
Strasser, Elena  
Streifel, Anna  
Sugimoto, Risa  
Taylor, Noah

Terrill, Joey  
Thinnes, Brenda  
Thompson, Marissa  
Todd, Erin  
Tollen, Alix  
Velez, Alex  
Volkov, Anton  
Wagner, Rachel  
Westre, Jacquelyn  
Wilner, Cari  
Wulff, Alexander  
Zakov, Stefanie  
Zoretic, Katie

UC Berkley, UCSB, UCD, Arizona State University, Univ. of Arizona

**CSU San Marcos**

**Point Loma Nazarene University**, BIOLA University, Concordia, Vanguard University, SDSU  
Purdue University, Penn State University, UCSC, UCR, UCM, **University of Arizona**  
CSU Fullerton, CSU San Marcos, Chapman University

**Military**

Harvard University, Stanford University, Washington Univ. in St. Louis, **Duke University**, UCB,  
UCLA, UCSD

**University of Colorado at Boulder**, Univ. of Washington

**Northern Arizona University****Santa Clara University****University of San Diego**

USD, **Lehigh University**, St.Olaf College, Santa Clara University, Univ. of Rochester, Villanova  
Univ. of Colorado at Boulder, CSU, **CSU San Marcos**

**UC Irvine**, Cal Poly SLO, SDSU, CSU San Marcos

**UCLA**, UCB, UCSD, UCI, USC, Boston College, Tufts University, NYU, UCD

**UC Irvine****San Diego State University****Kansas University**

Univ. of the Pacific, SDSU, UCSC, **University of Arizona**, UCR

Purdue University, Washington University in St. Louis, Cal Poly SLO, CSU Long Beach, Westmont  
College, **UCSD**

**University of San Diego**, Loyola Marymount University, Univ. of San Francisco, Univ. of Ari-  
zona, Regis University, St. Mary's College

**University of Colorado at Boulder**

SDSU, UCR, CSU San Marcos, **UC Irvine**

**San Diego State University****Santa Clara University**

UCSC, UCB, Univ. of Maryland, **George Washington University**

**CSU Fullerton**, **Ithaca College**

**United States Merchant Marine Academy**, UCI, UCR, SDSU, SFSU, CSU Long Beach

UCSD, **UC Davis**, USC, UCSC, CSU Long Beach

Univ.of Washington, **Seattle University**

**Cornell University****UCSB**

**BIOLA University**, CSU San Marcos

CSU Chico, CSU Fullerton, CSU San Marcos, CSU Long Beach, **Sonoma State University**

**USF**, Loyola Marymount University, Santa Clara University

Humboldt State University, **Northern Arizona University**

**Concordia College**

**UCSD**, UCB, UCD, UCR, UCM, UCSB, UCSC, UCI, SDSU

Fordham University, **College of William & Mary**, St. Mary's College of CA, Univ.of the Pacific,  
Loyola Marymount University, CSU Fresno

**Stanford University**, UCB, Princeton University, Yale University

**Palomar College**

**Colorado State University**, Univ. of Colorado at Boulder, Northern Arizona University

SDSU, **SFSU**, CSU Long Beach, Sonoma State University

**CSU Chico**

UCSC, UCD, UCI, SDSU, **UCSD**

**University of Utah**, East Carolina Univ., Western Carolina Univ., Western Kentucky Univ., California  
Univ. of Pennsylvania, Allegheny College, Boise State, St. Norbert College

**UCSD**, Cal Poly SLO, St. John's College

**San Diego State University**

Cal Poly SLO, Drexel University, **Northeastern University**, CSU Chico

UCD, UCSD, USD, Cal Poly, SDSU, **University of Arizona**

**Palomar Community College**

**UC Berkeley**, UCSB, UCI, SDSU

Univ. of Colorado at Boulder, **Michigan State University**, UCB, Colorado State University

SDSU, UCI, CSU San Marcos, **UCSB**

**San Diego State University**, CSU San Marcos, CSU Long Beach

SFSU, **CSU Monterey Bay**

**UC Santa Cruz**

SDSU, USD, Cal Poly SLO, **UCSB**

Drexel University, North Carolina State University, Rochester Institute of Technology, **Univer-  
sity of Delaware**

# PTSA Senior Scholarships

PTSA would like to congratulate the following RBHS senior scholarship applicants on their achievements and award them with college scholarships.

\$500 Scholarships awarded to: **Thomas Carroll, Lindsay dela Montaigne, Emily Dubina, Tyler Loucks**

\$250 Scholarships awarded to: **Lisa Asano, Sara Briley, Deserae Dunn, Sarah Lauff**

Good luck 2005 graduates! Class of 2006 - There will be information in our August/September newsletter regarding the application process for 2006 graduates.



## RBHS SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS and AWARDS

**SENIORS:** Have you received an award or scholarship? We are very proud of your accomplishments and would like to share your good news with your friends here in our community.

Please list the awards that you are accepting on the form below. Bring this form and a copy of your award notification letter to Mrs. Schaefer in the Counseling Office. Update us regularly. This information will be included in a report to the PUSD Board of Education, published in the RB Highlights, local newspapers, and appear on the RBHS web site.

Please complete the form below and return it, along with a copy of the awards notification letters, to the Counseling Office as soon as possible. (Or fax to 858-674-6256, Attn: JoLynne Schaefer or your student's counselor.)



YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Exact name of Award/Scholarship You Are Accepting</u>	<u>Value</u>
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____

Yes, I have attached a copy of the official letter confirming each award/scholarship.

This information is for school record only; do not publish.

# PTSA CORNER . . .

## *President's Message . . .*

As the school year comes to an end, there are so many people to thank for their support of the Rancho Bernardo High School PTSA. To the many great volunteers who helped during school registration, to the talented students who participated in the National Reflections Programs, for the inspiring seniors who submitted scholarship applications, to the hundreds of Grad Nite volunteers, all of the RBHS staff and administration and to the current PTSA Board and Committee Chairs – our success is a direct reflection of your involvement and support. Thank you to everyone!

As our PTSA reviewed the goals we set for this school year, we are very pleased that we were able to financially support the five mailings of the newsletter home to each family. We provided families with a parent directory that was handed out at Back-to-School Night, supported teacher grants and student scholarships, provided a fee based Practice SAT for those students planning on taking the SAT 1 or 2 for college admission, we sponsored the Bronco Recognition Evening held in early Spring, participated in the National Reflections Program and finally, supporting a Safe and Drug Free Evening for graduating seniors with Grad Nite 2005. We would not have been able to reach our goals with out all of your support.

Volunteers are the backbone of the PTSA and we will need your help in the next few months. As we help RBHS with registration for the 2005-2006 school year, we need many volunteers during student registration in August. Please contact Chris Baker at [seebaker@san.rr.com](mailto:seebaker@san.rr.com) if you would like to volunteer.

Our PTSA wishes every graduating senior the best of luck in their future. Always strive for your best and follow your dreams.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have at (858) 679-1420.

I wish the best of luck to next years PTSA Board and Committee Chairs. The parents, teachers, staff and students are wonderful to work with and so dedicated to achieving the best for all of the children.

Have a wonderful and restful summer.

Amanda Hamels  
PTSA President

# TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

The PTSA Hospitality Committee kicked off "Teacher Appreciation Week" with a bistro breakfast in the covered lunch area honoring the RBHS Staff and Faculty. It was a pleasure for us to acknowledge their hard work and dedication at our third and final event this school year. Committee members, Corie Carroll and Linda Michitsch would like to thank Amanda Hamels and Sharon Giordani for their help with the annual breakfast. We would also like to express our thanks for the generous donations from Breuggar's Bagels-CMR, the Souplantation, Costco-Poway, Starbucks-Twin Peaks and Einstein Bros. Bagels-RB. We appreciate the continued support of our local businesses and encourage you to support them with your patronage. The Hospitality Committee will host a Back-to-School event for our teachers in August. Please watch for news on how you might get involved with this event.

## PTSA Board Nominations for 2005/06

The PTSA Nomination Committee has met to slate the 2005/06 PTSA Board and we are pleased to present our Nominees. The Nominations are as follows:

President	Nancy Hall
Membership	Sharon Giordani
Programs	Kathie Norris
Legislation	Liza Van Court
Ways & Means	Sue Doyle
Hospitality	Chris Baker
Grad Nite	Erika Wilson
Secretary	Carol Cruikshank
Treasurer	Claudia Denny
Auditor	Mitzi Dominiqueuz
Historian	Open Position
Parliamentarian	Sharon Semple
Volunteer Coordinator	Open Position
Grants & Scholarships	Amanda Hamels
Reflections	Debbie Griffen
Parent Directory	Barbara Marsh
Character Counts	Jan Stephans
Teacher Rep	Joe Isaac
Newsletter	Open Position
Member at Large	Cathie Holm
Principal	Jeff King

All positions are pending until the election is held at the upcoming meeting in May of 2005. This meeting will be held at an off campus site. If you wish to be present for this election please call Sharon Giordani at (858)592-2422 for further information.

**Thank you to all our RBHS Volunteers!**

Your help is critical to the success of our school.

**You have not lived a perfect day until you have done something for someone who will never be able to repay you. – Unknown**

**Student's Caught Being Good** Hannah Bigham found a cell phone and turned it into the front office. Character Counts!, Hannah. Thank you for showing your Trustworthiness! Sasha Belchior and Talissa Arcangeli brought a purse to the office found on campus. Way to go, girls! We are proud of our students!

### How to Reach Your Student's Counselor:

(858)485-4800

<b>A - C</b>	Ms. Pam Higgins/Ms. Michelle Matson	Ext. 4560	phiggins@powayusd.com/mmatson@powayusd.com
<b>D - Hi</b>	Ms. Jane Capettini/Ms. Gayle Kehrli	Ext. 4561	jcapettini@powayusd.com/gkehrli@powayusd.com
<b>Hm - Me</b>	Mr. Chris Carter	Ext. 4563	carter@powayusd.com
<b>Mi - Sc</b>	Ms. Natalie Johnson	Ext. 4564	njohnson@powayusd.com
<b>Se- Z</b>	Mr. Rod Jiu	Ext. 4562	rjiu@powayusd.com

**VANDALISM HOTLINE**  
**\*\*Anonymous\*\***  
**(858) 668-4161**

**REMINDER:**  
The best way to communicate with teachers is through email.



### Attendance Hotline:

**485-4845**

Please call before 11 a.m. on day of absence.

*Voice mail is available 24 hours a day.*

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