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***The mission of Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School is to use the Word of God to prepare youth as disciples of Christ by developing their spiritual, intellectual, physical, and social skills for lifelong service to their Savior.***

## **Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School**

Nebraska District Convention  
NELHS - Waco, Nebraska, June 14 - 16, 2010

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(Christ our Redeemer, Aurora.)

### **Faculty and Staff**

**Rick Lohmiller** - Principal, Bible 12, Algebra I, Eagle Choir, Coaching; **Michael Schaefer** - Bible 10, Geometry 10, English 9 and 11., Athletic Director, Christian Wellness 12, Coaching; **Kelly Presser** - English 10, Math Analysis, Physics, Calculus, Band, Coaching; **Chad Walta** - Spanish I, II, III, Bible 9, Coaching; **Eric Brucker** - Technology Director, Geography 9, Astronomy 9, Algebra II, Chemistry, Biology, Art 11; **Kari Muenta** - Computer 9, World History, American History, Government, Economics, Christian Wellness 9, Coaching, Drama; **Earle Treptow** - Bible 11; **Laura Boniek** - Concert Choir and Piano **Cari Ranger** - Financial Secretary; **Prof Dan Kirk** - English 12: **Kymerly Poetter** - Administrative Secretary, Art Club.

- We give thanks for these tireless workers who not only provide our teens with daily instruction in God’s Word, but also model the lifestyle of a disciple for these students
- Special thanks to Pastor Earle Treptow and Prof. Dan Kirk for the willingness to serve as part-time staff for this past year.

### **Opportunities in 2009-2010**

Following are some of the blessings our school received during this our fourth year

- Graduated seventeen seniors on May 29<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Wayne Uhlhorn preached the sermon and Miss Jenny Lohmiller served as the class speaker.
- Alumni parents successfully ran the first garage sale for the school. It is hoped to keep the alumni parents involved with the school through this and other similar activities.
- Held our first evening Homecoming Pep Rally with over 200 people in attendance.
- Students did very well on national tests such as ACT, PSAT, PLAN, and ASVAB
- We conducted several special days for our local Lutheran elementary schools: Eagle for a Day, Basketball tournament, Kickball day, School Play and WLC Wind Ensemble.
- Boys’ Football team had its first winning season after only three seasons of organized football, but lost in first round of the playoffs. Boys football and basketball teams finished second in conference. The girls’ volleyball team advanced to Regional playoffs for the first time in school history.
- Four of our students participated in the National Band Festival held at Luther High School in Onalaska, WI.
- Miss Kelly Presser returned a call to Divine Saviour Lutheran Academy in Doral, FL.
- The Eagle Choir participated in the National Choral Festival held in Phoenix, AZ. They also worshipped with eight of the Federation congregations as part of Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Sundays.
- After serving RMLHS with a one-year call, Ms Kari Muenta accepted the call to become a full-time staff member at RMLHS.
- The Lord has blessed Chad Walta’s shared ministry with Living Hope, Brighton and RMLHS. Attendance and small group Bible studies have increased at Living Hope. The plan is to continue this shared ministry for one more year.

Our Board of Directors and Faculty are grateful for the many supporters of this ministry to teens in the Colorado Conference of congregations. Sixteen Colorado Conference congregations have joined our federation and over 80 individuals are regular donors.. God has definitely blessed our high school and its mission to train youth as disciples of Christ for lifelong service to their Savior.

## **Challenges**

The Lord is also blessing us with challenges that we must address:

- o Our budget was based on an enrollment of 60 students. Only 53 students registered in the fall, so tuition income fell short as a result.
- o With the call of a new principal, The Board of Directors has taken the opportunity to go through a Strategic Planning process. This process has helped provide the faculty, Board, and Federation direction as RMLHS moves forward.
- o A site committee has been meeting regularly to explore options for obtaining a permanent home for the school. The Board chairman and principal are meeting with the church councils of the metro Denver area to determine if there is interest in pursuing a shared building that could potentially house a church , pre-school, grade school, and high school.
- o We continue to develop our philosophy of education as it pertains to teacher's rights and responsibilities, students' rights and responsibilities, a curriculum that meets the needs of all of our students, and proper spiritual and financial support of our faculty. These goals are in keeping with our accreditation through WELSSA.
- o The Board is exploring the feasibility of a transportation system as a means of assisting families to make use of this ministry.
- o Charter schools have had an impact upon the number of families who are looking for private education as an alternative to public schools.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rick Lohmiller