

# RHS FRESHMAN REPORT

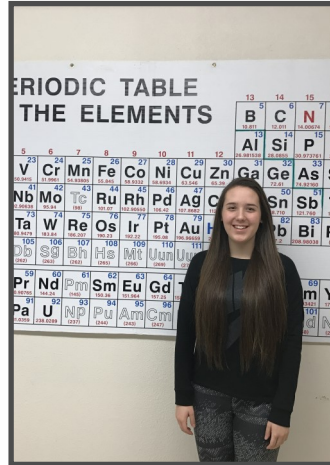
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## Medina Awarded Mines Medal of Achievement

Raton High School would like to extend their congratulations to Halle Medina, daughter of Steve and Melissa Medina, for being selected as the 2017 Colorado School of Mines Medal of Achievement in Mathematics and Science.

This honor is given only to 11th grade students from across the United States who have demonstrated a high level of learning and achievement in the math and science areas. Colorado School of Mines is a public research university devoted to engineering and applied science. It has the highest admissions standards of any public university in Colorado and among the highest of any public university in the U.S. Mines has distinguished itself by developing a curriculum and research program geared towards responsible stewardship of the earth and its resources. In addition to strong education and research programs in traditional fields of science and engineering, Mines is one of a very few institutions in the world having broad expertise in resource exploration, extraction, production and utilization. As such, Mines occupies a unique position among the world's institutions of higher education.



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## Tiger Sports

By: John Ware

Winter marks the beginning of the basketball season for the Raton Tigers. With the season now in full swing, we are nearing the start of district competition. Before district competition begins, however, the Tigers still have many games to win. On the 10th, the Tigers play the Trinidad Miners, then on the 12th, they play the Cimarron Rams. The Tigers finish the week off playing the Penasco Panthers on the 14th and then play the Mesa Vista Trojans on the 16th.



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## Clubs & Activities

The RHS Gifted and Talented Class is currently in the process of creating their own curriculum. The students are creating their own curriculum in order to maintain a challenging and enlightening environment for the rest of the school year. Now that the Robotics season is over, the team's adviser, Jo Ahlm, would like to finish off the school year in a way that is beneficial to her students. In other news, the Raton FCCLA Chapter is going to begin the new year with their District STAR Event Competition on January 28th. State Officers Ginger Baird, Jennifer Acosta, and Adrienne Lopez will be in Santa Fe from January 29th until January 31st. They'll be accompanied by other State Officers.

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## Clubs Continued...

The FCCLA State Executive Council will take this time to begin planning the agenda for the State Leadership Conference in March. While in Santa Fe, the Council will also be meeting with some of New Mexico's State Legislators. Meanwhile, in preparation for state, the FCCLA High School Chapter will be hosting their annual Chocolate Factory just in time for Valentine's Day. We'll be keeping the community updated as to when precisely this event is to take place. The RHS National Honor Society will also be hosting a volleyball tournament; it's scheduled to happen on February the 27th, in the morning. High School will have 12 teams and Middle School will have 6 teams. Anyone student is allowed to play in this tournament, however each team is only allowed 6 players and is limited to 3 boys and 3 girls. We are hoping to get a lot of students to come out and join this event. It'll be a great time!



RHS FCCLA Officers: Adrienne Lopez, Jennifer Acosta, Ginger Baird

## Upcoming/Past Semester Happenings

By: Jaynee Segura

This semester has several upcoming events that we should be aware of. Currently, teachers are preparing the students for testing which usually starts around the end of February/beginning of March. It can get to be a



rather long and tiring process but year after year, staff are able to help the students persevere and get through the arduous task of testing. This past semester has been quite the journey and many of the staff and students at Raton High School are excited about diving into the second half of the school year. Winter Break has been a great opportunity for peers to take a breather before coming back, ready to learn.

Spring Break is to take place the 27th through the 31st of March. The last several months of school will be primarily directed towards testing. Students are ready to take on the challenge and are hoping to get better scores compared to last year.

Congratulations to the following students for being selected as the Raton High School January Students of the Month: (L to R) Academic Award-Heather Sandoval, Service Award-Shyanne Martinez, Most Improved-Sofia Maddaleni, 8th grade-Ella Sanchez, 7th grade-Jacob Edmondson.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Raton Arts Council presents "SHADES OF BUBLE"

Thursday February 16, 2017

7:00pm at the Historic Shuler Theater

Raton Arts Council presents "JEN BOSTIC"

Wednesday March 29, 2017

7:00pm at the Historic Shuler Theater

Raton Arts Council presents "SANTA FE OPERA APPRENTICES"

TBD April 2017

7:00pm at the Historic Shuler Theater

Learn More at [www.RatonArts.org](http://www.RatonArts.org)

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