

“We want to express our deep gratitude and appreciation to you and all of the faculty, staff, and volunteers at RVCS for the outstanding service that you provide to the students and their families that are blessed with being a part of the school. RVCS literally stands out in this day because it stands up for Christ, but it does so in many other areas, as well. The academics are first rate; the athletics and other extra-curricular activities are amazing for a school this size; and the overall Christian environment is one with which we were both impressed and pleased from the beginning.

Seriously committed to raising our children in the Lord and looking for a Christian alternative to public schools, we were comfortable with the mission of RVCS to partner with us in their academic education. When we were transitioning from home-schooling, we had hoped for Jacob and Sarah to be able to receive a good education in a safe Christian atmosphere. What they received from RVCS was so much more. From our research and discussions with friends and others with children at RVCS, we had expected the faculty to be excellent. They not only lived up to that expectation, but exceeded it with the sincere relationships that they develop with their students because they care for them so. It pleases us tremendously to see the deference and admiration that our children have for so many of their former teachers. The respectful and proper friendships that they developed with the faculty are a testimony to what is right about Christian education and the close bonds within the body of Christ. We expected the small school atmosphere to be better than a large one, but the true sense of Christian community that RVCS provides, within and among classes, with the faculty and staff, and extending to volunteers and families was a wonderful surprise.

No earthly organization, even one with such a strong foundation in the Lord Jesus, is perfect. We realize that there have been and will be future challenges of many kinds that face RVCS. We are pleased with the way that you have handled them in the past and are confident of your continuing to do so. I believe trials develop the character of institutions as well as individuals, and RVCS has shown its integrity and honor to the glory of God.

In closing, we want to sincerely thank you for this wonderful ministry of Shenandoah Baptist Church. The dedication and sacrifice of all who serve at RVCS will undoubtedly be rewarded one day with the ultimate “well done, good and faithful servant.” RVCS has blessed our family more than we ever expected and far beyond what we can put into words. May God continue to bless each and every one of you as you walk with and minister to Him. Please share this with as many people as possible, as we would like everyone to know how we feel. You remain daily in our prayers.”

Tom and Jackie Brannen
Sarah (class of 2007)
Jacob (Class of 2005)