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An Attitude of Gratitude

As we approach this season of reflection and thanksgiving, we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who makes our school community so special.

To our dedicated staff: Thank you for your commitment, hard work, and compassion. Each day, you go above and beyond to create a positive and nurturing environment for our students.

To our amazing students: You are the reason we do what we do. Your curiosity, energy, and determination inspire us daily. Whether you're striving for academic excellence, showing kindness to a classmate, or lending a hand in the cafeteria, you remind us of the bright future ahead.

To our supportive families: Thank you for partnering with us, for your encouragement, and for the countless ways you contribute to our success.

Together, we've built a place where everyone belongs, learns, and grows. As we head into the holidays, let's carry that spirit of gratitude forward, celebrating not only what we have achieved, but also the people who make it all possible. Wishing everyone a joyful and restful season of gratitude and connection.

Saluting Our Heroes

In honor of all the brave men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, there will be no school on Veterans Day, November 11th. We encourage everyone to take a moment on November 11th to thank a veteran, learn their story, or simply reflect on the meaning of this day.



At Berkley Charter School, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all veterans within our community (our staff members, parents, grandparents, and neighbors) who have worn the uniform with pride. Their service reminds us that freedom is not free, and their example inspires our students to live with integrity, compassion, and a commitment to others. To all veterans, thank you for your service and sacrifice. You are our heroes!

Scrip Gift Card Orders



We are selling Scrip Gift Cards as a schoolwide fundraiser this holiday season! Scrip gift cards are exactly like regular gift cards, but our school gets a percentage of those we sell! In addition to gift-giving, these cards are perfect for money you'll already spend for groceries, gas and more! All of the money our school earns goes toward school activities and/or classroom materials. *See the attached order form for more information.

25/26 Yearbooks

Our 2025-2026 Berkley Charter School yearbooks are now on sale! You can purchase yours online by going to: buytheyearbook.com. They are \$25 but prices will go up. Shop early to get the discounted rate. *Order form attached.



26/27 Open Enrollment

The window to submit an application for the 26/27 school year is March 23 - 27, 2026. This application window is for those wanting to enroll at Berkley. Current students already enrolled with us, do not need to submit an application during this time.

School Hours
7:50 - 3:00

Morning Drop-off
7:30am

5240 Berkley Rd
Auburndale, FL 33823

Office Hours
7:30 - 3:30

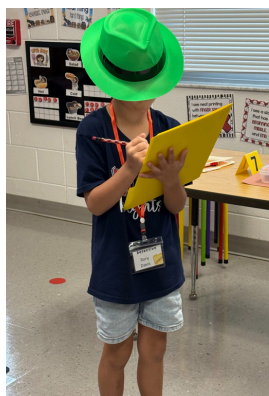
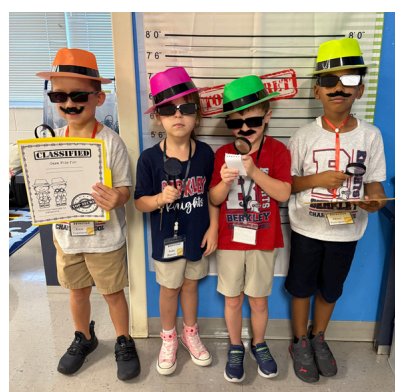
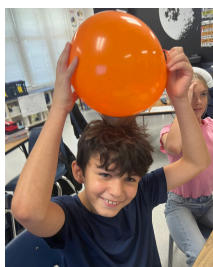
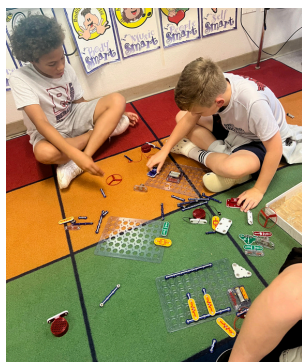
Early Dismissal
12:30

(863) 968-5024
www.berkleyknights.net



A Glance into Learning

Every day at Berkley, our classrooms come alive with curiosity, creativity, and collaboration. Learning here goes far beyond textbooks — it's about exploration, problem-solving, and hands-on experiences that help students make real-world connections. Here's a look at some of our recent learning adventures.



Next Board Meeting

Dec. 12, 2025
7am

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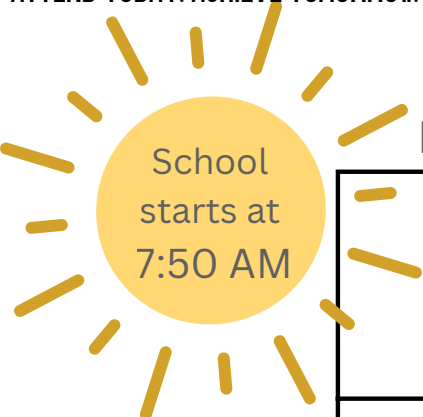
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is
Mayme Plumlee

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**ATTENDANCE
MATTERS!**
ATTEND TODAY. ACHIEVE TOMORROW.

November 2025



What's Ahead:

Dec. 19 - Early Release
Dec. 22 - Jan. 5
Winter Break



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Block Day 1	4 Block Day 2	5 Block Day 3	6 Block Day 4	7 Freestyle Friday Block Day 5
10 Block Day 6	11 No School VETERANS DAY 	12 Block Day 1	13 Interims Distributed Block Day 2	14 Block Day 3
17 Block Day 4	18 Block Day 5	19 Block Day 6	20 Block Day 1	 21 Early Release 12:30 PM Block Day 2
24 No School Thanksgiving Break	25 No School Thanksgiving Break	26 No School Thanksgiving Break	 27 No School Thanksgiving Break	28 No School Thanksgiving Break
1 Students Return Block Day 3	2 FAST PM2 Reading 3rd-5th Block Day 4	3 Block Day 5	4 FAST PM2 Math 3rd-5th Block Day 6	5 Block Day 1



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LUNCH

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Chicken Patty Sandwich
Romaine, Tom & Pickle
Sweet Potato Fries
Juice
Milk

03

BBQ Chicken on bun
Seasoned Noodles
Green Beans
Fresh Fruit
Milk

04

Spaghetti w/breadstick
Green peas
Popeye Salad
Chilled fruit
Milk

05

Beef Taco w/Romaine & tom
Rice
Black beans
Juice
Milk

06

Pizza
Corn
Carrots w/ Dip
Chilled fruit or juice
Milk

07

Beefaroni w/breadstick
Sliced carrots
Popeye salad
Juice
Milk

10

**Veterans Day
NO SCHOOL**

11

Meatball sub w/cheese
Baked Fries
Baked beans
Chilled Fruit
Milk

12

Corn Dogs
Seasoned Noodles
Green Beans
Fresh fruit
Milk

13

Mini Pepperoni Calzones
Corn
Carrots w/ Dip
Chilled fruit or juice
Milk

14

Beef Nachos w/Romaine &tom
Rice
Black beans
Juice
Milk

17

Cheeseburger on bun
Baked Fries
Romaine, Tom & Pickle
Fresh Fruit
Milk

18

Turkey & Gravy w/ Roll
Mashed potatoes
Green Beans
Chilled fruit
Milk

19

Managers Choice
Popeye Salad
Green Peas
Fresh fruit
Milk

20

Pizza
Corn
Carrots w/ Dip
Chilled fruit or juice
Milk

21

NO SCHOOL

24

NO SCHOOL

25

NO SCHOOL

26

NO SCHOOL

27

NO SCHOOL

28



Mon-Thur.-salad chef or Caesar Fri-yogurt & muffin. Mon-Fri sandwich or wrap-ham or turkey.
Lunch
Pre-k -5th = \$2.60 Staff = \$5.00.
Breakfast = \$1.25 Staff = al-a-carte

NOVEMBER 2025

SCRIP GIFT CARD ORDERS

Berkley is selling scrip GIFT CARDS. Scrip gift cards are exactly like regular gift cards, but our school gets a percentage of those we sell! All of the money our school earns goes toward school activities and/or classroom materials. In addition to gift-giving, gift cards are perfect for money you'll already spend (groceries, gas, travel, etc)! With a little planning, you can really help our school in the process!

It's easy to order!

Option 1: Fill out the order form below and send in cash or a check (**made payable to Berkley Charter School**) for the amount of the gift cards you are ordering. **Orders due Thursday, November 13th.**

Option 2: Order & pay online at www.raiseright.com. Have cards shipped to the school or directly to your home. There are lots of additional stores, amounts, and e-card options available online! Use the QR code to the right for to enroll through our school.



1. Your Name:
2. Child's Name:
3. Phone Number:
4. Grade/Homeroom
5. Email:

Your scrips will be available for pick up November 19th - 21st in the front office.

**Make all checks out to:
Berkley Charter School**

					Restaurants and Fast Food	Amt	%	Qty	Total
					Dunkin Donuts	\$25	3%		
					Hardee's	\$10	5%		
					IHOP	\$25	8%		
					Krispy Kreme	\$10	8%		
					Little Ceasar's Pizza	\$20	8%		
					LongHorn Steakhouse	\$25	9%		
					McDonald's	\$10	3%		
					McDonald's	\$25	3%		
					Olive Garden	\$10	9%		
					Olive Garden	\$25	9%		
					Outback Steakhouse	\$10	8%		
					Outback Steakhouse	\$25	8%		
					Outback Steakhouse	\$50	8%		
					Panera Bread	\$10	9%		
					Panera Bread	\$25	9%		
					Papa John's Pizza	\$10	8%		
					Pizza Hut	\$10	8%		
					Red Lobster	\$25	9%		
					Red Robin	\$25	9%		
					Starbucks	\$5	5%		
					Starbucks	\$10	5%		
					Starbucks	\$25	5%		
					Subway Restaurants	\$10	6%		
					Steak 'n Shake	\$10	8%		
					Sonic	\$10	8%		
					Sonic	\$25	8%		
					Taco Bell	\$10	5%		
					Taco Bell	\$25	5%		
					Wendy's	\$10	4%		
					Zaxby's	\$25	8%		
					Zaxby's	\$25	8%		
					Food Delivery Services	Amt	%	Qty	Total
					DoorDash	\$25	4%		
					UberEats	\$25	3%		

Entertainment/Online	Amt	%	Qty	Total	HomeGoods	\$25	6%		
Amazon.com	\$10	3%			J.Crew	\$25	13%		
Amazon.com	\$25	3%			JCPenney	\$25	5%		
Amazon.com	\$100	3%			Journeys	\$25	10%		
AppleStore/Apple.com	\$15	5%			Kohl's	\$25	4%		
AMC Theaters	\$25	8%			Lane Bryant	\$25	8%		
Cinemark Theaters	\$25	4%			Lowe's	\$25	4%		
Fandango	\$25	8%			Lowe's	\$100	4%		
Groupon.com	\$25	7%			Macy's	\$25	10%		
GameStop	\$25	5%			Marshall's	\$25	7%		
iTunes/App Store	\$15	5%			Michael's	\$25	4%		
iTunes/App Store	\$25	5%			Old Navy	\$25	14%		
TopGolf	\$50	8%			Old Navy	\$100	14%		
Shutterfly	\$25	9%			PetSmart	\$25	4%		
Health & Beauty	Amt	%	Qty	Total	Ross Dress for Less	\$25	8%		
Bath & Body Works	\$10	13%			Sam's Club	\$25	2%		
Bath & Body Works	\$25	13%			Sam's Club	\$50	2%		
Claire's	\$10	9%			Sam's Club	\$100	2%		
CVS Pharmacy	\$10	6%			Sears	\$25	4%		
Sally Beauty	\$25	12%			Shoe Carnival	\$25	5%		
ULTA	\$25	4%			Staples	\$25	5%		
Walgreens	\$25	6%			T.J.Maxx	\$25	7%		
Department/Specialty Stores:	Amt	%	Qty	Total	Target	\$10	2%		
Ace Hardware	\$25	4%			Target	\$25	2%		
Aeropostale	\$25	10%			Target	\$50	2%		
American Eagle	\$25	10%			Target	\$100	2%		
Banana Republic	\$25	14%			Walmart	\$25	2%		
Barnes & Noble	\$10	8%			Walmart	\$50	2%		
Barnes & Noble	\$25	8%			Walmart	\$100	2%		
Bass Pro Shops	\$25	10%			Walmart	\$250	2%		
Bass Pro Shops	\$100	10%			Travel/Automotive	Amt	%	Qty	Total
Belk	\$25	8%			AutoZone	\$25	7%		
Best Buy	\$25	3%			BP	\$50	1%		
Big Lots!	\$25	4%			Circle K	\$25	4%		
Build-A-Bear Workshop	\$25	8%			Jiffy Lube	\$30	8%		
Burlington	\$25	8%			Shell	\$25	2%		
buybuyBABY	\$25	8%			Wawa	\$25	1%		
Champs Sports	\$25	9%			Wawa	\$100	1%		
Children's Place	\$25	12%			Grocery/Delivery	Amt	%	Qty	Total
Chuck-E-Cheese	\$10	4%			Gordon Food Service Store	\$25	4%		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25	8%			Instacart	\$25	4%		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$100	8%			Instacart	\$100	4%		
Dillard's	\$25	9%			Publix	\$25	3%		
Five Below	\$25	3%			Publix	\$100	3%		
Gap	\$25	14%			Winn Dixie	\$25	4%		
Home Depot, The	\$25	4%				Amt		Qty	Total
Home Depot, The	\$100	4%			GRAND TOTAL:				

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OR SEND CASH/CHECK

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If you are NOT purchasing online,
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Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Email: _____

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Terry: amanda.terry@berkleyknights.net

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WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW Screening for Type 1 Diabetes

Type 1 diabetes is a lifelong autoimmune condition causing the destruction of the cells in the pancreas that make insulin. This means the body can't control blood sugar (glucose) on its own. Without management of high blood glucose levels, over time it **can lead to serious and life-threatening health complications**.

Studies indicate that screening for autoantibodies through **a simple low to no-cost blood test can effectively identify those who will develop type 1 diabetes**, potentially before the need for insulin. It can also identify the stage of the condition.

Type 1 diabetes often starts in kids ages

4–6
years old

10–14
years old

but it can happen at any age.

BENEFITS OF SCREENING YOUR CHILD EARLY

While type 1 diabetes cannot be prevented, early detection can help families to:

- Reduce the risk of life-threatening complications and hospitalization
- Plan and manage a potential diagnosis and treatment strategy

COMMON SYMPTOMS OF DIABETES

- ☐ Irritability/behavioral changes
- ☐ Increased thirst or hunger
- ☐ Increased urination/bedwetting
- ☐ Unexplained weight loss
- ☐ Fruity-smelling breath
- ☐ Blurred vision
- ☐ Fatigue

TYPE OF DIABETES

Type 2 diabetes is a metabolic disease influenced by a range of genetic and lifestyle factors that and can usually be prevented. Unlike type 2, **type 1 diabetes** is an autoimmune disease that cannot be prevented by lifestyle or dietary changes. While researchers don't know exactly what causes type 1 diabetes, those that seem to be more at risk have a close family relative with the disease or other autoimmune conditions.

SCREENING RESOURCES FOR TYPE 1 DIABETES

The screening can identify proteins in the blood (ICA, GAD, IAA, IA-2, ZnT8) that may signal the body's immune system is attacking cells in the pancreas that produce insulin. **Talk to your child's health care provider about screening options.** Other free screening resources include:

TrialNet: *TrialNet.org*

Offers screenings at locations and free home test kits for relatives of people with type 1 diabetes.

Autoimmunity Screening for Kids: *AskHealth.org*

Provides free at-home screening test kits to children starting at age 1, and adults.

EARLY STAGES OF TYPE 1 DIABETES

STAGE 1

- Immune system mistakenly starts to attack insulin-producing beta cells
- 2 or more autoantibodies detected in blood
- Blood sugar levels are within a normal range
- No visible symptoms

STAGE 2

- Immune system continues to attack beta cells
- 2 or more autoantibodies detected in blood
- Blood sugar levels are higher or lower than a normal range
- No visible symptoms

STAGE 3

- Too many beta cells are damaged, body can't make enough insulin
- 2 or more autoantibodies detected
- Blood sugar levels higher than normal range, symptoms are obvious, serious health complications may occur, insulin dependence begins

UNDERSTANDING THE SCREENING RESULTS

NEGATIVE (0-1 autoantibodies)

If your child is under the age of 15, you may consider having them rescreened every year.

POSTIVE (2 or more autoantibodies)

Talk to your child's health care provider about confirmatory testing, establishing a monitoring plan, and options for management.

Learn more about diabetes and resources for assistance at
FloridaHealth.gov/Diabetes



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