

Dolphin Digest



January 8-19, 2024

A Note from Administration

Dolphin Families,

Welcome back, Round Lake families! We hope you had a fantastic winter break filled with joy and relaxation. We are excited for the New Year!

We have updated the Sign-Up Genius for lunch with a student. Please use the link below if you would like to sign up to come in and have lunch:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44A9A922A5F4C07-lunch>

Round Lake Charter School is thrilled to announce that the application for enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year is now open! Share this fantastic opportunity with friends and family who are interested in joining our Round Lake Family.

This application is for the following:

- Anyone who is currently not a student at RLC
- Current VPK students who would like to apply to enroll in our kindergarten classes (VPK Application is open Jan. 8th - Jan. 12th ONLY)
- Current 5th graders interested in our middle school program

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school at 352-385-4399.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all parents for your unwavering support. Your commitment to your child's education is invaluable, and we're grateful for your ongoing involvement.

Let's continue to make this year at Round Lake Charter School an incredible journey filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences for our students and families. Thank you for being part of our community!

Kind regards,

Linda Bartberger
Principal

Todd Roman
Assistant Principal

Christy Behnstadt
Assistant Principal

Megan Almand
Assistant Principal

Mark Your Calendar

- January 8th – PTO Meeting 3:30pm
- January 8th – Track and Field Practice Starts
- January 8th – Beach Volleyball Tryouts 6th-8th
- January 9th – Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
- January 15th – No School Martin Luther King Jr.
- January 18th – Kona Ice Middle School
- January 20th – Mother/Son Glow Party

PTO

PTO is super excited to announce our Mother/Son Glow Party next Saturday, January 20th! This event is for boys K-5th grade.

*Tickets will go on sale Tuesday night (Jan. 9th) at 7pm EST via Zeffy. Zeffy is an online platform to purchase tickets. We will post the Zeffy link via Facebook and an email blast will go out at that time.

*If you are unable to purchase online, you may go into the front office, starting Wednesday morning (Jan. 10th) to purchase via cash/check.

*There are two time slots you'll select from: 3-5pm OR 6-8pm, and tickets are \$5/person. Tickets include entrance to the event and sweets/snacks!

*Due to limited capacity, this is a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE event, so set those alarms tomorrow night to sign up! 😊

*It is a GLOW party, so definitely grab that neon shirt to light up the night with us!

If interested in volunteering for this event (decorating, set up, clean up, help during the event), we will post a sign up genius soon, too!

Parent Pod



What is i-Ready?

i-Ready is an online program for reading and/or mathematics that will help your student's teacher(s) determine your student's opportunities for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the school year.

i-Ready allows your teacher(s) to meet your student exactly where they are and provides data to increase your student's learning gains. i-Ready consists of two parts:

The i-Ready Diagnostic

An adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions to suit your student's instructional priorities. Each item a student sees is individualized based on their answer to the previous question. For example, a series of correct answers will result in slightly harder questions, while a series of incorrect answers will yield slightly easier questions.

i-Ready Personalized Instruction

Provides students with lessons based on their individual skill level and opportunities for improvement, so your student can learn at a pace that is just right for them. These lessons are fun and interactive to keep your student engaged as they learn.



TIPS AND TOOLS

For Supporting Your Student



Visit the [Family Center](#) for more information, tips, and tools.



Explain

Explain to your student how working on *i-Ready* will help their teacher(s) figure out what to teach them and how to better support them while also helping them focus their learning on exactly what they need.



Make a Plan

Make a plan with your student for how to spend their time at home and when they will work on their learning activities. It can be helpful to put the plan in writing and post it somewhere visible. As you make the plan, follow any guidance you received from your student's teacher(s) on what they should work on.



Share

Share the experience with your student. Both of you can become familiar with the different parts of the [student dashboard](#), and you can learn with your student as they complete a lesson.



Encourage

Encourage your student to take each lesson and quiz question seriously. Emphasize "thinking before clicking" because just clicking through will not be a productive use of their time nor reflect what your student actually knows. Remind your student to read passages in their entirety, use paper and pencil to solve math problems, and use the tools that appear at the bottom of the screen in some lessons.



Track and Discuss Progress

Regularly review progress with your student using the My Progress page. Please ask your student's teacher(s) for guidance on how many minutes they should spend on lessons each week, as schools have discretion on what they assign. Our recommendation is that your student should aim for 45 minutes of *i-Ready Personalized Instruction* per subject per week while passing at least 70 percent of lessons.



Celebrate

Celebrate your student's progress. Celebrating milestones, such as passing a lesson or reaching a specific goal, can help keep your student motivated. You can share celebrations with the rest of the family and even decide on a fun activity as a reward. You can use these [data trackers](#) as you and your student discuss and keep track of progress.



Follow the Teacher's Guidance

Follow the teacher's guidance as you plan how your student will spend their learning time. Your student's teacher is your best resource for ensuring there is variety in the activities your student

2024-2025 Board Approved Student Calendar

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Round Lake Charter Calendar 2024-2025

Student Calendar

School Month			Student Days
AUGUST	August 12	First Day of Classes/First Grading Period Begins (Monday)	15
SEPTEMBER	September 2	Labor Day/Student Holiday (Monday)	20
OCTOBER	October 10 October 11 October 14	End of First Grading Period (Thursday) Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Friday) Classes Resume/Second Grading Period Begins (Monday)	8 Total Days 43 14
NOVEMBER	November 1 November 11 November 25-29	Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Friday) No School Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Holiday/Student Holiday (Monday-Friday)	14
DECEMBER	December 20 December 23-31	End of Second Grading Period (Friday) Winter Break/Student Holiday (Monday- Thursday)	15 Total Days 43
JANUARY	January 3 January 6 January 20	Non-Student Day / Teacher Work Day (Friday) Classes Resume/Third Grading Period Begins (Monday) Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday/Student Holiday (Monday)	19
FEBRUARY	February 17	Presidents' Day/Student Holiday (Monday)	19
MARCH	March 6 March 7 March 10-14 March 17	End of Third Grading Period (Thursday) Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Friday) Spring Break/Student Holiday (Monday-Friday) Classes Resume/Fourth Grading Period Begins (Monday)	4 Total Days 42 11
APRIL	April 18	Non-Student Day (Friday)	21
MAY	May 26 May 29	Memorial Day/ Student Holiday(Monday) Last Day of Classes/End of Fourth Grading Period (Thursday)	20 Total Days 52
		<i>Storm Make-up Days will be determined as needed</i>	180

Being a DOLPHIN

Be **Safe** by watching out for others and making choices that will not hurt you.

Be **Respectful** by being kind to others and expecting them to be kind to you.

Be **Responsible** by following directions and helping others to do the same.

Be a Round Lake Dolphin!



Social Media

We encourage you to follow us on social media.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RoundLakeCharter>

Please follow our wonderful PTO at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1160967990630711>

Please note that for important information about upcoming events, reminders, and monthly newsletter, please visit our school webpage <https://rle.lake.k12.fl.us/> with the most up to date information.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity-reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

