



BADGER GAZETTE

BERKSHIRE MIDDLE SCHOOL
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October 16th



A NOTE FROM US

Hello Middle School Families!

Thank you for a great week! Congratulations to all of the Fall Sports and activities... we are proud of you! Good luck to Cross Country this weekend!

GO BADGERS!!

Have a wonderful weekend with your families and friends!

Mandy Randles & Shaun Forbes



IMPORTANT DATES

**Feel free to wear Guardians gear, red, white, blue or anything baseball on gamedays!
Go Guards!**

Nov. 5th
Nov. 6th
Nov. 6th
Nov. 10th /12th
Nov. 25th-27th

End of the 1st Quarter
No School Students
Teacher Work Day
Parent/Teacher Conferences
Thanksgiving Break



ATHLETIC NEWS



10/17 MS Cross Country CVC Tournament @ Hawken 10:00am

10/25 MS Cross Country OHSAA State Championship @ Fortress Obetz 10:00am

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ART CLUB

Thank you to all who joined Wednesday's after school Art club! We are currently at capacity.

If interested in joining please email Mr.

Rodehorst

7th and 8th grade Wednesday's lunch group still has plenty of room, email Mr. R to join.

andrew.rodehorst@berkshireschools.org

[BMS Art Club](#)



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STUDENT COUNCIL

"The next meeting of the student council will be on Tuesday, October 20th in

5th grade SS room from 3:15-4:00. Please see or email Mrs Tiber with any questions.

Current members are planning a station for Trunk or Treat.

Nancy.tiber@berkshireschools.org



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HONOR SOCIETY

The Middle School Honor Society will be inducting new members after the 1st grading period. Stay tuned for further instruction.

Current members are planning a station for Trunk or Treat.



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STEAM CLUB

Hands-on learning that is based on the concepts of STEAM curriculum and theories. This after-school program will extend the students' exposure to STEM projects and learning.



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GIRLS CODING CLUB

The next Girls Coding Club meetings are Thursday, October 22 & Thursday, October 29 from 3:15-4:00 in Miss Mele's classroom. No coding or computer skills required.

[Girls Coding Club Sign-up Form](#)



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GAME CLUB

Adventure Awaits! Come join the club on Friday afternoons. See the flyer attached below for information and sign ups. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Come see the office for a permission form!



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CRAFTING CLUB

Crafting club will begin soon during the lunch periods. Students will begin signing up next week!



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Middle School Clubs and Activities

**Art Club
Student Council
Honor Society
Steam Club
Girls Coding
Game Club
Crafting Club
Impact Club
Athletics (Fall, Winter and Spring)**



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PTO

As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or if you'd like to help, assist, donate, or contribute to any school events! You can find us on **Berkshire PTO** on Facebook, visit our website at berkshirepto.com, or email us at ptoberkshire@gmail.com



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Ravenwood Mental Health Center provides Therapeutic Behavioral Support Services at Berkshire for students and their families. These services are covered by a mental health grant. Please contact me if you are interested in this service for your child.

Cindy Metzung 440-834-3380 ext.1103
cindy.metzung@berkshireschools.org



QUICK LINKS

[Washington, D.C. Trip Slideshow](#)
[Nuthreadz Badgerwear Link](#)
[Badgerwear Link](#)
[Promotions Badgerwear Link](#)
[Middle School Clubs Stodcast](#)
[School Lunch and Breakfast Link](#)
www.berkshirerecreation.org
[Link to Nami Ravenwood Family Pride](#)



REMINDERS

If you would like to schedule a conference with your child's teacher, please use the following link below.
[Fall Conferences Link](#)



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ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Artists in kindergarten and 7th and 8th grade are teaming up to help monarchs!

Hands-on learning, artistic advocacy, and mentorship came together recently at Berkshire Local Schools in a special cross-grade science and art collaboration. Mr. Rodehorst and Mrs. Toomey teamed up with our dedicated kindergarten teachers: Mrs Maxwell, Ms. Reno, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Sivillo , and Mrs. Bittinger to design a unique learning experience that advocates for both the power of the arts and the science behind conservation of Monarch butterflies.

In art class, 7th and 8th-grade art students have been studying Art for Advocacy, exploring how art can be a powerful tool for social good, raising awareness, and advocating for positive change in the world around us. To put these concepts into practice, our middle schoolers joined forces with the kindergarten classes to create art that speaks up for the Monarch butterfly, an endangered species that needs community support.

The 7th and 8th graders took on the role of teachers and mentors, guiding our kindergarten learners through environmental science and hands-on creation. Together, they examined how visual art can inspire action, protect nature, and educate the community about environmental issues. They studied each stage of butterfly metamorphosis, from egg, to caterpillar, chrysalis, to adult butterfly, and put their creativity to work. Middle schoolers taught the kindergartners how to craft ceramic pinch pots, while the kindergartners illustrated colorful drawings showcasing the stages of the Monarch life cycle. The pinch pots will be used to plant a seed to grow into a flower to help pollinators like the monarchs.

Beyond the art studio, students have been rearing live Monarch caterpillars right in the classroom. As of this week, we are officially on "Chrysalis Watch" with nine chrysalises resting safely and awaiting their grand transformation. Stay tuned for the final results and photos when our newly emerged Monarch butterflies prepare for release!



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ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hearing and vision screenings will begin the week of October 26. These screenings are an important part of your child's health and education, as undetected hearing or vision difficulties can affect learning, attention, and classroom participation. Early identification of potential concerns allows families to seek further evaluation and support when needed. If you would like to opt your child out of these screenings, please contact Jayme Kollman by email at jayme.kollman@berkshireschools.org or by phone at 440-834-3380, extension 3380. Thank you for your support in helping us keep our students healthy and ready to learn!



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Contact Information and Gazette Links

Berkshire Middle School

**Phone: 440-834-3380,
ext. 1101 or 1104**

Main Office:

Mrs. Michell Durosko
X 1101

michell.durosko@berkshireschools.org

Ms. Barb Sugarman
X 1104

barb.sugarman@berkshireschools.org

Principal:

Mrs. Mandy Randles
X 1102

mandy.randles@berkshireschools.org

Assistant Principal

Mr. Shaun Forbes
X 3327

shaun.forbes@berkshireschools.org

School Counselor:

Mrs. Cindy Metzung
X 1103

cindy.metzung@berkshireschools.org

Athletic Director (Grades 7 & 8):

Mr. Brian Hiscox

brian.hiscox@berkshireschools.org

Transportation

Andrew Workman
X 2111

transportation@berkshireschools.org

Food Services

foodservice@berkshireschools.org

You can visit our school
website at

<https://www.berkshireschools.org/>

Under the “**Schools**” section,
you will find **Middle School**.

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 25TH

2P - 4P

North Parking Lot
of the School

To sign up to host a trunk,
please contact:

Aimee.green@berkshireschools.org

Hosted by
Student Council





REGISTERING A STUDENT

WHAT INFO WILL I NEED?

- Basic Medical History & Health Information
- Doctor & Dentist Contact Information
- Email Address for BOTH you and your student (if required by your district)
- Insurance Company & Policy Number
- Hospital Preference

HOW DO I REGISTER MY FIRST STUDENT?

*****IMPORTANT***** If you have followed the steps on the previous page, you may jump to Step 3.

1. Go to <https://berkshire-oh.finalforms.com/>

2. Click **LOGIN** under the Parent icon

3. Click **REGISTER STUDENT**

Status	Name	Email	Address
No registered students yet. Register Student			

[Register Student](#) [My Instructions](#)



Parent

LOGIN

NEW ACCOUNT

STUDENT LOGIN

4. Complete the form including the Student's Legal Name, **EMAIL ADDRESS**, Date of Birth, Gender, Graduation Year, Home Address and any other information required by your School District, then click **CREATE STUDENT**

NOTE: A student email address may or may not be required depending on your school/district preferences. If so, the email address provided may be used to send reminders to your student.

5. If your student plans to participate in a sport, activity, or club please click the checkbox for each. Click **UPDATE** after making your selection.

NOTE: A selection can be changed any time until the registration deadline.

6. Complete each form and sign your full name (e.g. "John Smith") into the Parent Signature field at the bottom of the page. After signing, click **SUBMIT FORM** and move on to the next form.

Form Signatures

Parent Signature:

Your signature MUST match your name: GayleBurruss

Student Signature:

Student must log in to sign.

[Submit Form](#) [Skip this form](#)

7. When all forms are complete, you will see a "Forms Finished" message. **Forms finished!**

8. *****IMPORTANT***** If required, an email will automatically be sent to the email address that you provided for your student prompting him/her to sign Student forms requiring his/her signature.

9. Click **MY STUDENTS** if you are done, or **REGISTER ANOTHER STUDENT** if you need to add another.

[Register Another Student](#) [My Students](#)

10. At any point in the future, you may login at any time and click the **Update Forms** button to update information.



PARENT REGISTRATION

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1. Go to <https://berkshire-oh.finalforms.com/>
2. Click **NEW ACCOUNT** under the Parent icon
3. Type your NAME, DATE OF BIRTH and EMAIL, then click **REGISTER**



Parent

LOGIN

NEW ACCOUNT

STUDENT LOGIN

4. Check your Email for a FinalForms Email, and click **CONFIRM YOUR ACCOUNT** in the email text.

NOTE: You will receive an email within 2 minutes prompting you to confirm and complete your registration. If you do not receive an email, check your spam folder. If you still do not see the FinalForms email, please email support@finalforms.com.

5. Type your password and click **CONFIRM ACCOUNT**

Add Another Parent? or Skip this step

Grant access to an additional parent account (perhaps for your spouse), allowing them to manage your students. If the individual already has an account, use their email address and they will be automatically linked when you click 'parent'.

6. You will be asked if you want to grant another Parent/Guardian access to your registered students. Either click **SKIP THIS STEP** or type the NAME, DATE OF BIRTH and EMAIL, then click **ADD PARENT ACCOUNT**.
7. Your account(s) will be created, you can then click **REGISTER STUDENT** for your first child.



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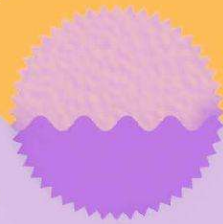


Join the Berkshire Badgers Blade Brigade!

Awesome Adventures Await!!!

- Come game with friends.
- 5th Grade to Seniors.
- Fridays after school till 4:30pm.
- 8th Grade Science Room.

Impact



Tuesdays
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
Grades 5–8

KSU Geauga Campus

STARTS TUESDAY, 10/6

SIGN UP →



 **Campus Life Berkshire**

For More Information Contact:

Rachel Hutchinson, Campus Life Director

440-708-6902

rhutchinson@campuslifecleveland.org



Autumn Fest Kids DAY CAMP

Friday, October 9

Full Day \$79
9am-3pm includes pizza lunch

Half Day \$49
9am-12pm or 12pm-3pm

GAMES CRAFTS OPEN GYM

- All ages: under 4 with parent
- Sibling discounts up to 40% off!
- Early drop-off & Late pick-up

12,000 sq. ft. facility stocked with bars, beams, trampolines, team pit, preschool and more equipment & more! Kids stay active, learn, and have fun all day—without any devices!

14999 White Rd, Middlefield
440-834-9800
Emethgym.com/event



KIDS NIGHT OUT CARNIVAL

Saturday, October 17 | 6-9 pm



EMETHGYM



\$45 / Sibling Discounts Ages 4+

14999 White Rd, Middlefield, OH | Emethgym.com/event | 440-834-9800

