



**All Kids Can Learn and We Can Teach Them  
TOGETHER!**

**Part 1 – “Let’s Wrap Our Brains Around That”**

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*"As teachers, we must never impart a self-fulfilling prophecy upon our students. It is not up to us to determine the fate of our students, but rather to prepare them for a state of readiness."*

—"What's In Your Toolbox?"  
Southwestern Musician  
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MEET OUR SCHOOLS

BERKNER HS, a Recognized School

Population 2,600  
+8.1% Economically Disadvantaged  
+6.2% At Risk  
2 Feeder Junior Highs, Liberty & Apollo

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EYES WIDE OPEN

- Before we could begin, we had to understand where we were starting and just what we wanted to accomplish ...
- In order to create our **VISION**

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Our Philosophy

In order to create a plan, we had to **BELIEVE** that we can teach all kids;

And, that every student will have our **PERMISSION** to learn, succeed and thrive in our music program.

And finally, We Must **COMMIT** to do the work for each and every child.

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Our Tools

- Good or bad, whatever is happening in my classroom, I am somehow giving permission for it.
- Treat every child the way I would want my child to be treated.
- Teach music as fine art.

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The Most Important Rule  
THERE IS  
NO SUBSTITUTE  
FOR GREAT TEACHING

Become an inspired teacher,  
and you will be an *inspiring* teacher

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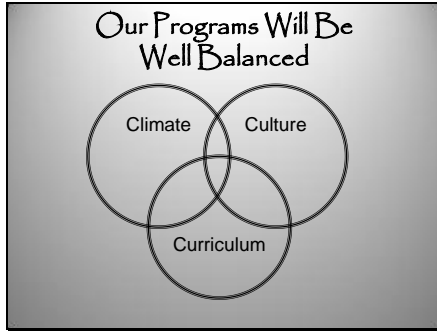
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The Plan, Part A  
Climate Change

- Create an Atmosphere of Respect/Dignity  
*where all students feel safe and valued*
- Manage Everything
- Communication Is Essential!
- Many Smiles and Much Happiness!

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The Plan, Part B  
A Culture of Excellence  
Building Trust is Imperative

How Dolphins Learn

Love of Music, Playing and Practicing

Students/Parents Must See Their  
"Music Future"

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Slide 13

"Let's Wrap Our Brain Around That"

Attendance

Coaches

Beginners

Private Lessons

Concerts

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Slide 14

COLLABORATIONS

Beginner Academy Classes

Practice-A-Thon

Side-By-Sides

Drop Box

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Developing Our Curriculum

A Curriculum Should Be Based Upon  
What Our Students NEED

Beginner Curriculum

Band Notebooks

Prepare Students for a "Future of Music"

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