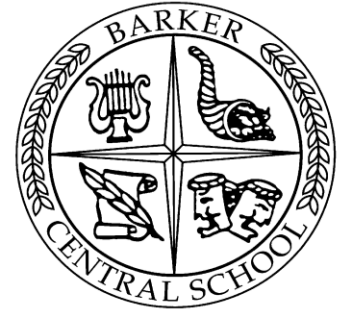


Barker Central School

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Dear Barker Jr./Sr. High School Students & Families:

This communication is to provide our families at the 7-12 level some updates on our instructional model.

1. Beginning the week of 10/5, instruction in academic classes will be transitioning to a four day per week synchronous model. This is already occurring in some courses. For example, if a student is in the Monday/Tuesday cohort, they will also have to begin "synching" in on Thursday and Friday to continue to receive new instruction and keep pace in the course. Cohort 3 fully remote will need to synch in four days per week also.
 - a. This will provide students with the most teacher to student face time and instruction.
 - b. It will create a more consistent framework for our students and teachers and allow us to begin moving through instruction at a better pace.
 - c. This is not for specials such as physical education or technology and art at this point. Please see those teachers' Google Classrooms for all necessary information.
 - d. Wednesday office hours will remain in effect. See each teacher's Google Classroom for specific details.
 - e. If a student is absent from synching in to a remote class, then an independent assignment will be posted to the Google classroom. This could be a video recording of the class, an independent reading assignment, or something else. However, the expectation is that students remotely attend all of their academic courses.

2. The week of 10/5 will also mark the start of the return of 10th period.
 - a. Athletes will report to the main gym for sports study hall.
 - b. If students need help with a course, they can stay 10th with a teacher.
 - c. Some students may be directed by teachers or administration to stay 10th, which was common practice in years past.
 - d. 10th period ends at 3:06, with the 10th period buses leaving shortly thereafter. Students should report to the cafeteria after 10th period to board buses.
 - e. Please note that morning buses may now be coming a few minutes later to reflect changes in our programming.

Thank you for your continued support as we move into the next phase of our hybrid instructional model.

Sincerely,

Michael Carter, District Principal