Students Return to School on Wednesday, September 4th

Serena Harris Wins Niagara County Sheriff's Office and Canine Division Challenge Coin Design Contest



Niagara County Sheriff's Office and Canine Division Lieutenant James Hildreth, BCS Art Teacher Miss Krista Beth Feltz, Serena Harris and Serena's mother Mrs. Sheila Harris proudly display Serena's challenge coin design. To read the article and view more pictures turn to page 7.

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A Message From Your Superintendent

Dear Barker Community,

I am honored to welcome you to the 108th school year of the Barker Central School District! What a 107 years it has been getting to this point. For a frame of context, when school opened in 1911, Franklin D. Roosevelt was a newly elected New York State Senator, roughly 22 years before he became the 32nd President of the United States. Just think of all the changes that have happened since 1911 on national and state levels, as well as right here in our own community.

As I indicated in the back to school edition of the Banner last year, every new school year brings changes. In the last year alone we have done some very important work that will help guide our planning into the future to create a more efficient and effective school community. With the community's help we developed a new Vision, Mission and Values Framework that will become the foundation for our continual



improvement moving forward. This Vision, Mission and Values Framework also led to the creation of a 5-year Strategic Plan, as well as the development a comprehensive 5-year Financial Plan that will assist the Board of Education and District with making decisions for all of our students and educational community. We have also redesigned how our schools operate and function as a cohesive PreK-12 community to better meet the needs of our students each and every day for the 2019-20 school year and beyond. All of these changes were not for the sake of change, but to make us better every step of the way.

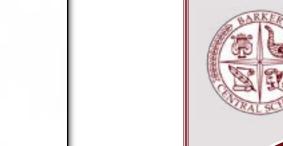
As we look forward, we will continue to have many challenges that lie ahead of us, whether they are financial concerns due to declining revenues or simply changes within our community (both locally and on a global scale). As always, Barker has and will continue to meet all of our challenges head on through thoughtful planning.

The next year will be a very important year for the District as there will be a lot going on around the campus. We encourage you to attend school events like the musicals, athletic contests of all sorts, concerts, art exhibits and shows, and more. We also encourage you to visit our website and other media accounts (which are also linked on our website) so you can be aware of what is going on here in the school as well as learn about other ways you can support our students. The saying is quite true, 'It takes a village to raise a child' and we cannot do it without all of your support.

We are eagerly waiting for the children of our community to walk through the doors on September 4th and we hope to see all of you around the campus soon!

Sincerely,

Mr. Jacob Reimer Superintendent



Barker Central School District Strategic Plan 2023

"You don't tell students you care about them. You show them. There's a difference."
-Jeff Charbonneau

Action Steps

- Provide on site assistance in conjunction with local service providers to navigate various student, staff and community needs including but not limited to the delivery of mental health and overall wellness services.
- Provide students with social and emotional growth opportunities within the classroom setting and through extracurricular activities.



Goal
Improve / Increase the well-being
of the school community

Goal
Increase student investment in the community



Action Steps

- Increase participation in school and community extra curricular opportunities by providing and encouraging every student to participate in at least one school based extra curricular activity and/or community service activity each school year.
- Increase awareness and make connections to out-of-school opportunities for all students.

Action Steps

- Develop comprehensive benchmarking, assessment, and data system to drive informed changes to curriculum and teaching practices.
- Ensure all staff are provided quality opportunities for professional development to meet the needs of 21st century students.



Goal
Increase student engagement
and learning

Goal

Reach a balanced budget that is sustainable for the future



Action Steps

- Ensure the greatest efficiency of taxpayer resources.
- Advocate for fair and equitable distribution of foundation aid to the district.
- Refine budgeting processes to ensure proper budgeting practices lead to more accurate and effective budgets.

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From the Desk of Mr. Carter

Hello Barker families and students!

We are very excited to be starting the 2019-2020 school year. It has been great meeting so many students, families and faculty members as I have transitioned from the Jr./Sr. High Principal to the role of PreK-12 Principal. I wanted to take this opportunity to share updates on some of the restructuring we are going through as a school.

Mrs. Sara Thibault and Mrs. Melissa Bundrock will be part of our leadership and support team as Instructional Support Specialists. Their main purpose is to help students, families and teachers with instruction and behavior. Mrs. Thibault will be in this role for grades PreK-6, and Mrs. Bundrock will be supporting grades 7-12.

For Pratt Elementary, Mrs. Thibault and I will be rolling out the school's new SPARK behavioral and character process with students at the start

of the school year. Students in 5th and 6th grade last year have had a lot of success with this, and the building-wide program will be adapted to the different age appropriate levels. We are also excited to announce the addition of 10th period to the elementary schedule. If you have older children in grades 7-12, you are aware of how effective this time can be; it allows teachers to hold students an extra portion of the day for additional help and extra-curriculars. The time may also be used for disciplinary purposes if needed. Grade level teams will have information at the start of the school year about the process for students staying 10th period. We will not be operating 10th period for the first couple weeks of school. KidWatch will also be held during 10th period. Stay tuned for more information.

Barker Jr./Sr. High School students can also expect a great school year. 7th and 8th grade students will also take part in continuation of the SPARK program in five week intervals; students in grades 9-12 will also have access to the Raider Lounge during lunch periods for meeting academic and behavioral requirements. Lunches in grades 7-12 will now be 20 minutes. Students will have a 20 minute academic advisement period opposite lunch. Also, Mrs. Bundrock's new role will provide students and teachers with further academic and behavioral support.

As stated in a letter I sent to all District families dated 7/25/19, the District is undergoing a lot of positive changes this coming year. I ask that parents, families and students have patience and flexibility as we make this much-needed transition with scheduling, busing and staffing. Busing routes are coordinated by our contracted busing company, Student Transportation of America (formerly Ridge Road Express). The new pickup times will be sent out to families in the month of August.

As we move into a new school year, I thank all of our families for the continued support of our District. This is an exciting time for everyone. I look forward to working with all of you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Carter Principal, Grades PreK-12

Important District Information

Need to Change Your Child's Bus Schedule?

When children go somewhere other than home after school, or are picked up at the campus during or after school, please follow these procedures:

- Put it in writing Written notification MUST be sent to school with the child, giving the time he or she will be picked up or the home where the child will be going. The note must be signed by the parent/guardian. It will become a document of record which Barker Central School is required to keep. The office will issue a blue slip for the teacher and bus driver. The safety of all students is important and the District appreciates your cooperation.
- Blue Slips Blue slips for bus changes, early dismissals and the like will be written for students who bring in a note from their parent or guardian. Be sure to include appropriate information that will help school personnel ensure that every child is properly accounted for and sent on the proper bus to the designated address on the correct day.
- Elementary students need a note to walk or bike to school. If you want your elementary school children to walk or ride their bicycles to and from school, please have them bring a note to the elementary office. Please remember that New York State Law requires that children under age 15 wear approved safety helmets when riding their bicycles.

Bus Routes

Barker Central School contracts with Student Transportation of American for bus services. Questions regarding bus services can be directed to Lynn Walker (716-795-3816) at the local bus garage. Please note that changes in bus routes may affect bus pick up and drop off times.

The District has redone the routes for the 2019-2020 school year. Look for specific information regarding your child's bus in the information letters from the bus garage.

Provision for Educationally Disabled Children

The Barker Central School District complies with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the regulations of the New York State Commissioner of Education relating to the education of educationally disabled children. The District seeks to search out and provide educational programs for Barker children under 21 years of age who may have a handicapping condition as defined by NYS regulations.

Any parent who suspects that their child may have a disability is encouraged to contact the District by phone at 716-795-3350. All information is kept confidential and every effort will be made to provide for disabilities so that the child may reach his or her full potential.



Student Registration

If you plan to enroll a child at Barker Central School, please contact Kirsty Pagan, our Central Registrar to schedule an appointment to



complete the registration process. Mrs. Pagan may be reached at 716-795-9260. Registration packet information can be downloaded from the District Website at:

www.barkercsd.net/studentregistration.

Emergency Information Cards

Pratt Elementary students bring home an emergency information card the first week of school. Jr./Sr. High School students receive the card in the mail. It is very important that you fill out the card and return it to the health office as soon as possible.

In case of an emergency, this information is used to get in touch with you or another designated person listed on the card. Please notify the health office (716-795-9322) of any changes in the information

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during the school year so we may keep our records current.

Additionally, it is very important that your phone information is up-to-date in the event of a school closing. The District will

use the Blackboard Connect system to notify residents of school closings/cancellations and other important information.

Sports Information

Visit <u>www.barkercsd.net/athletics</u> for the latest sport stories, team rosters, schedules, results, directions, a copy of the student-athlete handbook,

and more. Varsity scores and stories are reported to the following: The Buffalo News, the Lockport Union-Sun & Journal, Orleanshub.com, and Western New York Athletics.



Academic Policy/Pass To Play

Teachers are to notify the Building Principal and/ or Athletic Director if a student participating in athletics is not working to their potential or not showing up after school when asked to do so by a teacher. Upon notification,

the Athletic Director will meet with the student to put the student on the "Pass to Play" program. The student needs to



be successful in the program in order to remain eligible. If the student does not meet that obligation or the requirements to be placed in the "Pass to Play" program then they will be removed from participation for an amount of time necessary for them to show progress and success in the classroom. Once a student has earned eligibility status, they must continue to demonstrate success in fulfilling their academic and behavioral expectations.

Visit our athletics homepage to view the "Pass to Play" Program tracking sheet/contract.

A modified version of this program can be put in

place even if the athlete is out of season. This will help the student stay on track for graduation and it will also ensure that the student is meeting satisfactory progress when his/her sport season does start.

District Contact Information

Barker Central School District Phone Numbers			
Athletic Office Phone	716-795-3340		
Bus Garage Phone	716-795-3816		
Business Office Phone	716-795-9111		
Cafeteria Office Phone	716-795-3347		
District Office Phone	716-795-3832		
Guidance Office Phone	716-795-9260		
Health Office Phone	716-795-9322		
Jr./Sr. High School Office Phone	716-795-3201		
Pratt Elementary School Office Phone	716-795-3237		
Special Education Office Phone	716-795-3350		
Technology Office Phone	716-795-9263		

Barker Central School District Fax Numbers				
Bus Garage Fax	716-795-9337			
Business Office Fax	716-795-3283			
District Office Fax	716-795-3394			
Guidance Office Fax	716-795-9665			
Health Office Fax	716-795-3678			
Jr./Sr. High School Office Fax	716-795-3911			
Special Education Office Fax	716-795-9437			
Pratt Elementary School Office Fax	716-795-9330			



Larcey Dwyer Wins Assemblyman Mike Norris's "Freedom Isn't Free" Memorial Day Poster Contest

Larcey Dwyer through her talent and thoughtful interpretation of the theme "Freedom Isn't Free", was named the 2019 Memorial Day Poster Contest Winner. Larcey received an official New York State Citation, \$100 Amazon gift card and her artwork will be displayed in the State Legislative Office Building and Assemblyman Norris's district office. To view more pictures of Larcey's artwork and the award presentation please check out the Headlines & Features section on the BCS homepage.

New York State Assemblyman Mike Norris and Larcey Dwyer display Dwyer's "Freedom Isn't Free" artwork and citation recognizing Dwyer's award winning submission.



Niagara County Sheriff's Office and Canine Division Challenge Coin Design Contest Won by Serena Harris

The Niagara County Sheriff's Office and Canine Division invited high school students in grades 9-12 to create a challenge coin design to represent the canine division and capture the essence of canines working in law enforcement. Serena Harris was selected as the winning designer. Serena received a challenge coin featuring her design and a \$50 Amazon gift card in recognition of her hard work and creativity.





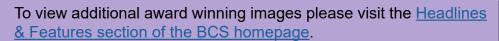
(Above L-R): Serena's challenge coin design, Members of the Niagara County Sheriff's Office and Canine Unit with **Serena Harris** and her mother.

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19 Awards Received Between Villa Maria Photo Show and Women's Federation Art Show

The 25th Annual Villa Maria College High School Juried Photo Show showcases student photographic work. Ciara Gregoire received Honorable Mention for her photography design "Waterfall".

The Helen P. Kelley Memorial Art Show of the Western New York Federation of Women's Clubs is held annually for students in grades 9-12 in the eight far western counties of New York State. Barker Central High School was awarded 18 ribbons for student work.



1st Place:

- Kelsey Hoyle, Photography Digitally Enhanced
- Emma Etheridge, Watercolor
- Ciara Gregoire, Photography
- Paris Moffitt, Altered Book
- Emily Oliveira, Computer Generated Art

2nd Place:

- Holly Wasnock, Photography Digitally Enhanced
- Bridget Moeller, Oil Painting
- Alexis Greene, 3D Craft
- Keith Robison, Ceramics
- Ariana Peace, Printmaking

3rd Place:

- Ciara Gregoire, Photography Digitally Enhanced
- Serena Harris, Colored Pencil
- Courtney Hillman, Watercolor Painting
- Sophia Alexander, Scratch Art

Honorable Mention:

- Ginger Alexander, Watercolor Painting
- Grace Taylor, Ceramics
- Keith Robison, Ceramics
- Madison Gancasz, Printmaking



(Clockwise from top right): Emily Oliveira (digital art), Grace Taylor (ceramics), Courtney Hillman, (watercolor), Keith Robison (ceramics).



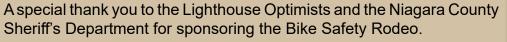






Fun and Adventures at Summer Recreation

Summer Recreation provided a safe, fun, and active environment in which 137 students were able to participate in a wide range of activities through the 20 day program. 95 swimmers, 73 band students, and 79 travelers participated in various aspects of summer recreation. Students were able to participate in swim lessons, arts and crafts, relay races, band lessons, bike safety rodeo, field trips, freeze pop Friday, ice cream day, and a day to cool down in the computer lab reading books or playing Minecraft or Math games. Highlights at arts and crafts included the annual chalk walk, safari explorers photography and many fun crafts. The field trips that were part of Summer Recreation this year were Hidden Valley Animal Adventure, Sky Zone and a Buffalo Bisons game that provided off campus entertainment. Our campers made many special memories with friends and staff over the summer.







EClub Provides Community Service

EClub members helped out at the Barker Free Library as students spent time on a Saturday raking and cleaning up the yard around the temporary location on Church Street. Member Keira Wass said "I helped rake grass and leaves to beautify the new library. I volunteered to help make the yard more welcoming and help draw more readers inside." Eclub member Morgan Phillips states, "Community service is important. The library looks very beautiful on the inside and out. We had the chance to help make it look even better."

(Right): Cole Carnes, Addison Szafranski, Morgan Phillips and Keira Wass clean up at the Barker Library.



American Legion Military Museum at BCS Open During Community Education Sessions

The American Legion Post #425 has a classroom across from the High School cafeteria. It is a Military Museum, which was started in the Yorker

House south of the school. It contains memorabilia from the Civil War through today. You can see pictures of Barker Veterans starting with WWI, uniforms from different wars, books, pictures and hundreds of artifacts.

This room is a great history resource room for all teachers and students, and the community. Herb Loesch is available upon request by calling 716-471-0491 to set up appointments for anyone who would like to look back in history of our country. To visit during Community Education sessions you can contact Jim Cantella at jcantella@barkercsd.net or in room 228.

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Students of the Month



(Right) Pratt Students of the Month - May 2019 (L-R): Liam Sherwin, Drew LaGreca, Iliana Manning, Rachael Stevens, Jackson Hauser, Mr. Hoar.







(Left) Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - May 2019: The character trait for May 2019 was responsibility. (L-R): Dale Jones, Kylie Annable, Robert Burnett.

(Right) Jr./Sr. High School Students of the Month - April 2019: The character trait for April 2019 was honesty. (L-R with Mr. Carter): James Mason, Mr. Carter, Andrew Hillman.



Pratt Elementary Bucket Fillers

(Below Left) Pratt Elementary School Bucket Fillers of the Month - April 2019: Liam Lanighan, Teagan Costello, Easton Taylor, Landon Wakefield, Elanor Gow, Christopher Martin, Emmalee Ciavatta, Isabella Becker, Mr. Hoar.

(Below Right) Pratt Elementary School Bucket Fillers of the Month - May 2019: Nathan Krantz, Nicholas Ruvio, Atticus Janese, Giulianna Morello, Parker Lefever, Aidan Brandel, Kyle Rounds, Mr. Hoar. Not pictured: Makayla Puchlerz.





School Meal Program Information

The information on the next five pages will cover the school meal programs. Please follow the instructions to apply. Questions and concerns can be directed to the contacts listed in the documentation.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Barker Central School offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.50; lunch costs \$2.20. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

- DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price
 meals. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application
 that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to Barker Central School,
 Attn.: Julie Fuerch, 1628 Quaker Rd, Barker, NY, 14012, 716-795-3347.
- 2. WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS? All children in households receiving benefits from SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorically Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.
- 3. CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. Including children in foster care as household members may help other children in the household qualify for benefits. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.
- CAN HOMELESS, RUNAWAY, AND MIGRANT CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Barker Central School, Attn.: Mariah Kramer, mkramer@barkercsd.net 1628 Quaker Rd, Barker, NY, 14012 to see if they qualify.
- 5. WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS? Your children may be approved as reduced price eligible if your household income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this letter. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.
- SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 716-795-3347 if you have questions.
- 7. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for up to the first 30 operating days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
- 8. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC <u>may</u> be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL application.
- 9. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED? Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.
- 10. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
- 11. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to Carol Heiligenthaler, School Business Administrator, 1628 Quaker Rd, Barker, NY, 14012, 716-795-3283.
- 12. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
- 13. WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
- 14. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
- 15. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE INCLUDE OUR HOUSING ALLOWANCE AS INCOME? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
- 16. MY SPOUSE IS DEPLOYED TO A COMBAT ZONE. IS HER COMBAT PAY COUNTED AS INCOME? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
- 17. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for **SNAP** or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call **1-800-342-3009**.

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2019-2020 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 23,107	\$ 1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 445
2	\$ 31,284	\$ 2,607	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,204	\$ 602
3	\$ 39,461	\$ 3,289	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,518	\$ 759
4	\$ 47,638	\$ 3,970	\$ 1,985	\$ 1,833	\$ 917
5	\$ 55,815	\$ 4,652	\$ 2,326	\$ 2,147	\$ 1,074
6	\$ 63,992	\$ 5,333	\$ 2,667	\$ 2,462	\$ 1,231
7	\$ 72,169	\$ 6,015	\$ 3,008	\$ 2,776	\$ 1,388
8	\$ 80,346	\$ 6,696	\$ 3,348	\$ 3,091	\$ 1,546
*Each Add'l person add	\$8,177	\$ 682	\$341	\$ 315	\$ 158

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children carefully complete one application following the instructions for your household and return it to the designated office listed on the application. If you now receive SNAP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for any household member, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application for free and reduced price benefits cannot be approved unless complete eligibility information is submitted, as indicated on the application and in the instructions. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year and up to 30 operating days into the new school year (or until a new eligibility determination is made, whichever comes first). You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

Reduced Price Eligible Students: Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability

Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities of such individual, a record of such an impairment or being regarded as having such an impairment. Major life activities include but are not limited to: functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working. You must request meal modifications from the school and provide the school with medical statement from a State licensed healthcare professional. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical statement must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special

Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.

Reapplication: You may apply for benefits any time during the school year. Also, if you are not eligible now, but during the school year become unemployed, have a decrease in household income, or an increase in family size you may request and complete an application at that time.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.



Sincerely.

Carol Halizenthah

Carol Heilingenthaler Business Administrator

MySchoolBucks: Registration & Program Information

Barker Central School is pleased to inform you of a service to pay for school meals online using a credit/debit card or electronic check called "MySchoolBucks".

What is MySchoolBucks?

MySchoolBucks is an online payment service that provides parents the ability to securely pay for meals, monitor student cafeteria purchases and receive email notifications for low account balances.

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How do I enroll?

- 1. Go to www.myschoolbucks.com and register for your free account.
- 2. Add your students using their school name and student ID or birthdate.
- 3. Make a payment to your students' accounts with your credit/debit card or electronic check.

A program fee of \$2.49 will apply. You will have the opportunity to review any fees and cancel if you choose, before you are charged.

If you have any questions, please visit www.myschoolbucks.com and click the "Help" link or call MySchoolBucks Customer Support at 1-855-832-5226.





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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to Barker Central School Attn Julie Fuerch 1628 Quaker Rd Barker NY 14012.

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: 716-795-3347. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box. The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should not be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs PART 4 if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deal, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800)-877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the <u>USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form</u>, (AD-3027) found online at: html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Education

2019 Adult/Community

BCS ADULT/COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM Director of Adult/Community Education:

James Cantella: 716-795-3203 ext. 5228, jcantella@barkercsd.net

Fall 2019 Classes Begin September 23rd End November 18th No classes: 10/14 and 11/11

Ongoing registrations will be honored unless class has been canceled. Please register early to ensure that classes are not canceled due to low enrollment.

Special Programs

AARP SMART DRIVER

H. S. Cafeteria Tuesday AND Wednesday, October 15 & 16, 6 - 9 PM

The AARP Smart Driver™ Course includes a focus on areas where drivers could benefit from additional training. This program is beneficial for all ages! A minimum of 15 people are required to hold this class. Participants must attend both evenings to qualify for discounts. Participants of the course will qualify for a discount on their automobile insurance. Participants will also qualify for a 3-point reduction on their driver's license for any points previously accrued for moving violations. Check with your insurance provider for specifics.

Instructor: George Laskey Cost: \$20 AARP Members/\$25 Non-Members

Checks made payable to: AARP – NOT to BCS

Write AARP member # in memo

DAPHNE HANDBAG

Saturday, October 26, 9 AM - 3 PM

Using cork and cotton fabric we are creating the Daphne Handbag. Finished size is 9-1/2 wide at base by 9" high x 4-1/2" deep. Supply list to be e-mailed. Questions e-mail Janice at: jstoll2506@hotmail. Lunch on your own. Instructor: Janice Stoll \$20 (Seniors \$10)

CATCH ALL CADDY

Room 183

Room 183

Saturday, November 9, 9 AM - 3 PM

Catch All Caddy is great for lots of items from sewing supplies, art supplies, make-up and office organization. 7"H x 13-1/2"W x 6-1/2"D. Supply list to be e-mailed. Questions e-mail Janice at jstoll2506@hotmail.com Lunch on your own.

Instructor: Janice Stoll

\$20 (Seniors \$10)

1 Class

2 Classes



Lancaster, PA Quilt Shop Hop 2020

Depart 8 AM Friday, April 24, 2020

Room 161

Return approximately 5 PM Sunday, April 26, 2020

Hotel: Wingate, Lancaster, PA (includes continental breakfast).

Cost includes: bus and hotel only. Food is on your own. (Bus is a 40 passenger coach bus provided by Grand Tours. Quad occupancy - \$250 per person. Double occupancy - \$310 per person.

Itinerary to include: Burkholder Fabrics, Tanger Outlets/Rockvale Outlets, Shady Maple Smorgasbord, Good's Store, Zinck's Fabric Warehouse. Itinerary subject to change.

Registration/money is due on Friday, November 29, 2019

Regular Classes

ANTIQUE AUTO RESTORATION

Tuesdays, 4 - 6 PM

Come and explore the various techniques used to accomplish sheet metal work, welding, painting, cleaning and other tasks necessary to restore antique automobiles. No formal instruction given. There will be a charge for all materials used. LAB FEE: Participants will be charged for, and will be responsible for all supplies used in course. Instructor: Tom Mallon \$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00)

BASKETBALL H. S. Gym Mondays and Wednesdays, 7 - 9 PM No Class 10/14 and 11/11

The Banner: Back-to-School 2019-2020

Competitive basketball for the recent and not-so-recent player. A congenial atmosphere is maintained to ensure that all participants have an enjoyable evening. No instruction will be provided. NO STUDENTS. MUST BE REGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE.

Instructor: Jared Morgan \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00)

BEGINNER KNITTING Tuesdays, 6 - 8 PM **Room 183**

Learn the creative and fun activity of knitting! Each week will focus on a different topic, including tools, stitches, patterns and history. You will need to bring a pair of single-point knitting needles and a skein of yarn (any size will do for this first practice session). We will discuss additional materials you will need to buy for a specific project that you will make during the remainder of classes.

\$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00) Instructor: Karen Davis

8 weeks

BOOK FOLDING Room 182

Thursdays, 5-6 PM Classes: 10/3, 10/10, 10/17 and 10/24

Do you enjoy folding pages? My heart is with you! Please join me for a few weeks of page turning fun as we put discarded library books to new use and create beautiful page folding art. Hint: Your first creation is guaranteed to be formed from the heart!

Instructor: Mary Dudek \$20.00 (Seniors \$10.00)

Elem. Gym

BODY SCULPTING

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30 - 8:30 PM

This fast-paced class will help you strengthen, tone and shape your body. Following the interval training concept, low impact movements are alternated with weight-bearing exercises to challenge and meet your fitness goals. You will need a mat and weights. Trisha is a certified and experienced fitness instructor.

Instructor: Trisha Mathison \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00) 8 weeks

CERAMICS FOR BEGINNERS Room 183

Classes: 10/2, 10/9, 10/16 and 10/23

Wednesdays, 6 - 8 PM

Create functional and decorative pieces with a variety of hand-building techniques. Class is for beginners. No experience is necessary. There is a \$20 lab fee for materials. Classes are 10/3, 10/10, 10/17 and 10/24.

Instructor: Krista Beth Feltz

\$20.00 (Seniors \$10.00)

4 weeks

GREETING CARDS CLASS I Room 182

Tuesdays, 6 - 8 PM Classes: 9/24, 10/8, 10/22 and 11/5

Do you enjoy stamping, coloring and scrapbooking, but don't have the time to do large projects? Come join us and make greeting cards! Each week we will demonstrate cards using stamping, coloring with Copic markers, water color, embossing and more. We provide all of the materials to make 5 complete cards with envelopes. You will need to bring a tape/dot runner with refills. Dot runners may be purchased at Walmart or any large craft store. Lab Fee - \$12 per class.

Instructors: Mary Kersch and Loriann Martell

Cost: \$14 (Seniors \$7.00)

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HALL WALKING Mondays - Thursdays, 6 - 8 PM No Class 10/14 and 11/11

What better way to exercise than walking! Come walk with us in the halls of Barker Central School. Please wear comfortable clothing and good, comfortable walking shoes or sneakers. You may bring a water bottle, or water fountains are available. This exercise is designed for all ages and levels. Coat hooks are available by room 161 near the art rooms with the skylights.

No Instructor

LAP SWIMMING

Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:30 PM Pool

Pool will be open for lap swimming. Minimum of 6 registered needed to hold class.

Staff Life Guard Cost: \$25.00

PM WORKOUT

Mondays and Wednesdays, 7 - 8 PM

Reshape your body while using this state-of-the-art equipment: treadmills, elliptical cross trainer, stair climber, exercise bikes, free weights, and strength training equipment. Participants may come to one night or both nights, depending on your schedule.

Weight Room

\$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00) **Instructor: Tyler Dent**

STRETCH AND TONE YOUR BODY

Elementary Gym

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

This class is for everyone - men and women! Do you want to feel better, get active and have fun too? Come join Trisha for this class that focuses on stretching, joint movement, flexibility, and strength training. All exercises are done standing or sitting in a chair. There is no exercising on the floor. We have a good time socializing and exercising. Trish is a certified fitness instructor.

Instructor: Trisha Mathison \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00)

8 weeks

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STAINED GLASS Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:30 PM Room 160 Learn the basic techniques of working with stained glass to create beautiful objects for yourself, home, or as gifts. There is a \$10 lab fee for materials used. Instructor: Laura Diez \$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00) SWIM LESSONS I - Red Cross Levels 1 and 2 Pool Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 Pm Classes: September 23, 30, October 7, 21, 28, November 4, 18 No Class 10/14 and 11/11 Two levels of Instruction will be offered. Level 1 - Intro to Water Skills: To help students feel comfortable in the water and to enjoy the water safely, Skills Covered: Entering and exiting the water safely, learning to submerge mouth, nose and eyes and breath control, front and back float and recovering to a stand, changing direction in the water, swimming 5 feet on front and back. Level 2 - Fundamental Aquatic Skills: To give students success with fundamental skills. Skills Covered: Entering water by stepping or jumping in from the side, submerging entire head, blowing bubbles, open eyes underwater, front and back glide, swim 15 feet on front and 10 feet on back, swim on side, life jacket use. Red Cross cards will be issued for successful completion of course. Water Safety Instructor: Bill Wilson Cost: \$30.00 VOLLEYBALL H.S. Gym Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 - 9:00 PM Mixed volleyball for all skill level players. A pleasant environment is maintained to insure that all participants have an enjoyable evening. Instructor: Jim Harris \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00) WATER AEROBICS Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:30 - 6:30 PM No Class 10/14 and 11/11 This water aerobics class will instruct participants through very low impact aerobic exercise that encourages cardiovascular fitness. Come firm and tone those muscles through water resistance workouts using rhythmic exercises put to music for you. Instructors are certified lifeguards, All workouts will be in the shallow end of the pool and the class size is limited to 30 participants. Instructor: Lynne Wilson and Beth VeRost \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00) 8 weeks

Important Adult/Community Education Information

- Doctor's Certificate of Health: A physical examination is suggested prior to participating in physical fitness classes.
- Eligibility: In general, district residents and non-residents who are 18 years of age or older may enroll. High school students may enroll in any course with instructor approval and parental permission, and the understanding that no credit toward graduation will be granted.
- Senior Citizens: Senior Citizens, residents ages 55 and older, will be provided admission at 50% of the regular fee to all
 school-sponsored events if they present a Barker Central School District Senior Citizen Card. Non-residents will be
 required to pay the full admission fee. Registration forms must be submitted. Proof of age is required. In order to take
 advantage of senior citizen fee discount for courses and some special events, you need a Barker Central School
 Senior Citizen Card. You may receive this card by coming to the Barker Central School Superintendent's office and
 registering.
- Registration: Mail registration. Early registration protects against having to cancel due to insufficient registration.
 Please avoid disappointment by enrolling early. Registrants can assume they are officially registered unless notified and should begin attending classes on the scheduled starting date. You may register at the first session of class.
- Is Class Canceled? Whenever school is closed during the day due to inclement weather, no classes will be held that evening. Listen to local radio stations WBEN-AM 930 or WLVL-AM 1340 or TV Channels 2, 4 or 7 for school closings. If inclement weather begins later in the day, listen to local radio stations for announcements. Whenever possible, we will utilize the Blackboard Connect system to notify registered students in the event of a cancellation as noted above. Please be sure to provide a valid phone number for this purpose. Do not call the school. When a class cannot be held due to an illness or for other reasons, it is the instructor's responsibility to see that class members are notified. Canceled classes will be rescheduled by the instructor.
- Material Cost: Additional fees will be charged in classes where textbooks or materials are used. These are to be paid by the second session.
- Refunds: Total refunds will be made only if a class is canceled or filled. Transfer of tuition to another course can be arranged where size of class permits. No transfers after second class meeting. No refunds after classes begin.
- No Smoking: Barker Central School is a non-smoking facility.

B.C.S. Adult/Community Education Registration Form

NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
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HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:	
EMAIL: (For updated information and materia	als)	
COURSES:	COST:	
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You are eligible for a 50% discount if you are 55 years or older with a B.C.S. Senior Citizen card.

Instructions:

- 1. Completely fill out one form for each person.
- 2. Registration must accompany payment.
- 3. Registrations will be accepted in order of postmark.
- 4. Please include your phone numbers to facilitate contacting you if necessary.
- 5. No refunds issued after classes begin.
- 6. You can assume your registration has been accepted unless you are notified otherwise.
- Make checks payable to: Barker Central School Adult/Community Education unless otherwise noted, and indicate the name of the course or courses on your check. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.
- 8. Mail to:

James Cantella Coordinator of Adult/Community Education Barker Central School District 1628 Quaker Road Barker, NY 14012

Questions?

Please contact James Cantella, Coordinator of Adult/Community Education: 716-795-3203 ext. 5228 icantella@barkercsd.net

Looking for new classes!

Would you like to teach, or share your hobby? To be a teacher for Adult/Community Education once or twice a week, please contact:

James Cantella

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Congratulations to Class of 2019 graduates Shelby Ewald (Discus and Shot Put), Dominic Clementi (800 Meter Run), and to Ian DiLorenzo (400 Hurdles) of the Class of 2020 on winning titles at the 2019 Niagara-Orleans League Track & Field Championships.



Larcey Dwyer's submission for "Freedom Isn't Free" Memorial Day Poster Contest. Read her story on page 7.

Please direct any Banner questions or comments to Jeffrey Costello, Banner Editor:

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