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Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies

Take-In and Dismissal Procedures

Barton's beautiful Downtown location within the heart of the City of Mobile creates many wonderful opportunities for our students including business and community connections and walking field trips. Our location also requires deep consideration of traffic flow and parking to maintain positive community relationships.

Carpool Procedures:

Routes were reviewed by Barton administration, City of Mobile traffic engineers, and the City of Mobile Downtown Police Precinct to determine the most efficient route for Barton carpool that would cause the least disruption to routine traffic. **Barton's take-in and dismissal routines for carpool and before and after school care will utilize St. Louis and Cedar streets ONLY.** The carpool route will be monitored and enforced. Follow the directions below to avoid concerns and to assist us in maintaining a positive relationship with our Downtown community. **Please do not begin lining up for carpool until at least 7:00 a.m. and 2:10 p.m. to avoid unnecessary traffic back-up.** Share these procedures and expectations with any person responsible for picking up your child.

Directions from I-165 to Water Street: Turn RIGHT from Water Street onto St. Louis. Travel St. Louis Street to Cedar. Turn LEFT onto CEDAR. **The Barton carpool line will BEGIN at the CEDAR and CONTI Stop sign. PARK your car along the LEFT SIDE of the street in a single line being extremely careful to AVOID BLOCKING businesses, parking lots, and housing entrances.** Also, AVOID BLOCKING INTERSECTIONS at St. Michael, St. Francis, and Dauphin Street.

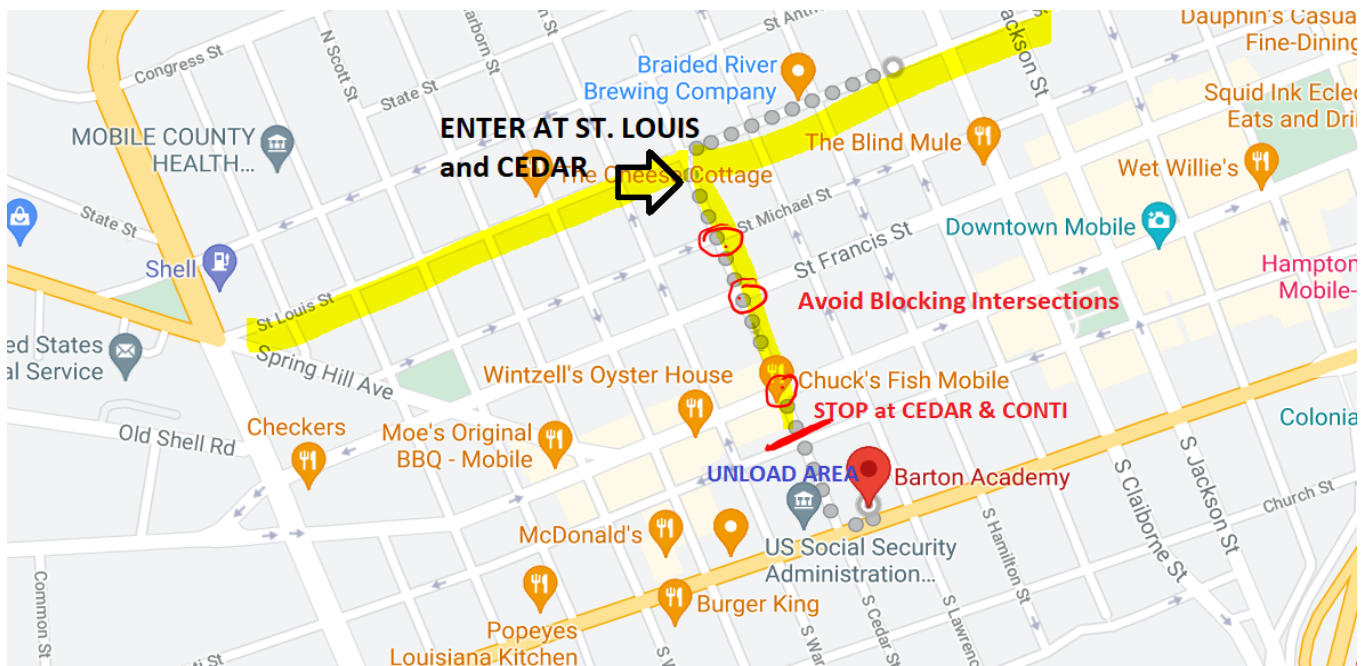
Directions from Spring Hill Avenue: At Spring Hill and Broad, merge left onto St. Louis Street. Travel along St. Louis until you reach Cedar. Turn RIGHT onto CEDAR. The Barton carpool line will BEGIN at the CEDAR and CONTI stop sign. PARK your car along the LEFT SIDE of the street in a single line being extremely careful to AVOID BLOCKING businesses, parking lots, and housing entrances. Also, AVOID BLOCKING INTERSECTIONS at St. Michael, St. Francis, and Dauphin Street.

****At approximately 7:15 and 2:25, Barton faculty and/or traffic guards will move the carpool lanes forward along Cedar beside Barton. Once traffic is pulled into the carpool "unload" /load area, you will be notified by faculty to unload vehicles. Students will unload and load their cars ONLY in the unload area (along the Barton gate on Cedar) and enter the Cedar side gate. DO NOT UNLOAD VEHICLES BEYOND CONTI. Afternoon dismissal students will receive carpool tags that should remain in your vehicle for pick-up.**

Reminders: St. Louis at Cedar is the ENTRANCE to the Barton carpool line. DO NOT attempt entering the carpool line at another through street (i.e., St. Michael, St. Francis, or Dauphin). Doing so may result in ticketing due to obstructing traffic flow. We cannot cause traffic back-ups on through streets, and "line cutting" will not be permitted or tolerated.

**Morning Explorer Extended Care students must be dropped by no later than 7:10 a.m. to avoid interfering with bus and carpool. Afternoon EEC should not be picked up earlier than 3:15 to avoid interfering with bus and carpool.*

Carpool/ EEC Route Map:



Bus Procedures:

Bus students will be picked-up from their ZONED middle school according to the magnet bus routes posted on [mcpss.com](https://www.mcpss.com). These will be updated by the MCPSS Transportation Division over the summer. To locate magnet bus routes, visit <https://www.mcpss.com/busroutes>

Your child will be transported from his or her zoned school to the magnet bus hub located at Clark-Shaw Magnet. From there, your child will catch their bus to Barton. Barton buses will unload at approximately 7:15 a.m. on Conti Street and enter the Cedar Street gate. Bus students will be dismissed at 2:20 p.m.

Explorer Extended Care Procedures:

Parents will park on CEDAR STREET in parking spots near the social security building and enter the Barton Cedar Street gate to drop and pick-up their students from EEC. Students must be dropped between the hours of 6:30 a.m. – 7:10 a.m. and picked up between 3:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Walkers:

There will be a special permission form for students designated as “walkers”. For safety, we prefer students be monitored by an adult, but the permission form will allow parents to make that final decision with the understanding that Barton faculty and staff are not held liable for students once they leave campus. Walkers must reside within a 1.5-mile radius to be granted permission to walk or bike home *or* to a parent place of employment. Otherwise, utilize our carline for the safety of our students and the appropriate flow of traffic. **Students may not walk and meet parents in parked cars on side-streets or local establishments unless it is the parent’s place of employment. Some parents grant permission for students to walk to the Mobile Public Library teen center after school. If this is your choice you may write this location on your walker form, but again, the parent is responsible for the safety and care of their walking child once the student leaves campus.**

MORNING TAKE-IN: 7:15 – 7:35

Doors will be closed and locked at 7:35. Students are then required to buzz-in and come to the office for a tardy slip. *Tardies will begin the 2nd week of school to allow time for everyone to become familiar with carline routines.

AFTERNOON DISMISSAL: 2:20 (Bus Students)

2:22 (Car Riders)

2:35 approx. (Walkers) -Dismissed with 2nd round of carline students

***Once students and parents become acclimated to routines our carline is complete by 2:40-2:45. The first week or two typically takes longer due to everyone becoming familiar with new routines. Please exercise patience.**

***ANY student remaining on-campus beyond school hours without permission (late pick-up from carpool, missed bus, late pick-up from after school practice, etc.) will be taken to EEC and charged a \$15.00 daily fee which will be expected at pick-up.**

*** Refrain from texting and talking on cell phones while on campus.**

***Loud music is not allowed in carpool. Turn your radio down prior to arriving in the pick-up/drop off lane.**

***Smoking (i.e., vapes, cigarettes, weed, cigars) on campus (including the carpool line) is prohibited.**

***Parents are asked to remain in their cars. Staff will assist your child getting to their car.**

***Please practice carpool numbers with your child daily. This helps the line flow quickly and smoothly.**

***It is expected that traffic laws are obeyed in carpool. (i.e., Children buckled appropriately, children not allowed in truck beds, no texting and driving)**

We reserve the right to report unsafe traffic behaviors to authorities for the safety of our students.

Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies

Summer Enrichment Activities

2024 – 2025 School Year

We encourage our students to spend time over the summer visiting with family and friends, exploring hobbies, creating, playing outdoors, volunteering and exploring! We look forward to welcoming our newest class of **Barton Explorers** in the fall and seeing our returning students as well! Happy Summer!

Reading Grades 6 – 9:

We encourage students to read for pleasure over the summer!

Required Reading: Review the attached Summer Reading Lists (at the end of this document) to locate at least ONE novel that interests your child. Books are listed with a grade level equivalent and summary to assist your child in choosing a book.

Teachers will provide an in-school assignment for students to create about their book once school is back in-session. They will create “book reviews”, summaries, and/or presentations to share.

Optional Reading Enrichment: The Mobile Public Library offers a “Summer Reading Celebration” throughout June and July which encourages reading and even awards prizes! Check out this amazing enrichment opportunity here: [Summer Reading Celebration | Mobile Public Library](#)

Math Grades 6 – 9:

Encouraged Math Preparation and Enrichment: The following Khan Academy “Get Ready For...” tools can provide mathematics prep for students. We encourage students to work on the course appropriate for their incoming grade-level or to accelerate if they have mastered grade-level content.

<https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-6th-grade>

<https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-7th-grade>

<https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-8th-grade>

<https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-geometry>

Language Exploration:

(Optional)- The Duolingo app is a great kid/teen friendly language exploration tool. Rosetta Stone is another quality computer program for those who are looking for more advanced language learning exploration. The Mobile Public Library also has resources available through their network, so you may wish to explore those options.

Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies Summer Enrichment Activities *(Continued)*

Fine Arts, STEM, and History: ***(Optional enrichment)***

The Mobile Symphony is a great resource for Strings lessons.

Music Camps are available at Full Scale Music (Azalea City Center for the Arts) <http://www.fullscaleschool.com/camps>

Drama, Art, and Music Camps are available throughout the city.

Various classes & camps through Mobile Parks & Recreation

<https://mprd.recdesk.com/Community/Program>

Maker's Space and Arts & Crafts activities throughout the summer at the Mobile Public Library <http://mplonline.org/>

Students with interest in band instruments are encouraged to visit Andy's Music on Hillcrest Road to explore various mouth pieces and learn about their instrument rental options, etc.

Mobile has many opportunities for exploration and enrichment such as The Mobile History Museum, Gulf Coast Exploreum, Mobile Museum of Art, Flight Works Alabama, and more!

Flight Works (STEM-related) Camps: <https://www.flightworksalabama.com/education/at-home-activities/>

Go Out into the World - History Assignment: *(Optional enrichment)*

- a. Visit museums (Domestic or International), historical sites and monuments.
- b. Choose 2 sites of interest to share with your classmates. Take a picture of the site (museum, museum artifact, historical site, and/or monument) with YOURSELF in the picture!
- c. Create a Venn Diagram (comparing and contrasting) or a T-Chart (with interesting facts) of your chosen sites including your pictures and information you learned. This can be created digitally or on a small poster to share with your classmates upon your return to school.

**This will serve as a back-to-school "Explorer" share time. Students who do not have access or opportunity to locate sites will have an opportunity to find sites near campus upon their return to school. (Reminder that Mobile is home to many historical sites, so this activity does not require extensive travel.)*

6th Grade Summer Reading List 2024 : 12 Options to Choose From

ALL students are required to read ***When You Reach Me***, by Rebecca Stead. Additionally, students are required to choose another book that he/she has not read or tested on previously.

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s TV show THE \$20,000 PYRAMID, a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.5 39,253 words/199 pages

Hard Times for Jake Smith by Aileen Kilgore Henderson

MaryJake is abandoned by her financially strapped parents and told to walk to the house of unknown relatives. She dresses like a boy and joins the household of an old widow before discovering secrets about her own family.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.2 43,765 words/192 pages

The Peculiar Incident on Shady Street by Lindsay Currie

When lights start flickering and temperatures suddenly drop, twelve-year-old Tessa Woodward, sensing her new house may be haunted, recruits some new friends to help her unravel the mystery of who or what is trying to communicate with her and why.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.4 56,486 words/295 pages

Redwall by Brian Jacques

The peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes. Matthias determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help destroy the enemy.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.6 101,289 words /351 pages

Scat by Carl Hiaasen

Nick and his friend Marta decide to investigate when a mysterious fire starts near a Florida wildlife preserve and an unpopular teacher goes missing.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.5 79,109 words/371 pages

Savvy by Ingrid Law

Mibs Beaumont's thirteenth birthday has revealed her "savvy," a magical power unique to each member of her family, just as her father is injured in a terrible accident.

Interest level: MG Book level: 6.0 57,148 words /342 pages

Yellow Star by Jennifer Roy

From 1939, when Sylvia is four and a half years old, to 1945 when she has just turned ten, a Jewish girl

and her family struggle to survive in Poland's Lodz ghetto during the Nazi occupation.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.3 23,750 words/227 pages

Incredible Journey by Shelia Burnford

Instinct told them that the way home lay to the west. And so the doughty young Labrador retriever, the roguish bull terrier and the indomitable Siamese set out through the Canadian wilderness. Separately, they would soon have died. But, together, the three house pets faced starvation, exposure, and wild forest animals to make their way home to the family they love.

Interest level: MG Book level: 7.6 30851 words/160 pages

Wild Life by Cynthia DeFelice

Being sent to stay with grandparents he hardly knows is hard enough for twelve-year-old Eric, whose parents are deployed to Iraq, but his grandfather's hostility and the threat of losing the dog he rescues causes Eric to run away.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.5 33,890 words/177 pages

Planet Tad by Tim Carvell

Twelve-year-old Tad has a plan to make seventh grade his most awesome year, but he must overcome a devious little sister, an embarrassing summer job, a science fair project gone awry, and other obstacles.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.4 30,521 words/239 pages

Among the Hidden by Margaret Peterson Haddix

In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.8 32,127 words/160 pages

Letters from Wolfie by Patti Sherlock

Thirteen-year-old Mark donates his dog, Wolfie, to the Army's scout program in

Vietnam. Interest level: MG Book level: 4.6 56,352 words/228 pages

All Season Edie by Annabel Lyon

Edie Snow has always known her family is not normal, but when tragedy strikes, she learns that there is no such thing as normal, and as long as they love one another, they can get through anything.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.2 39683 words/179 pages

7th Grade Summer Reading List 2024 : 9 Options to Choose From

ALL students are required to read ***The House of Dies Drear*** by **Virginia Hamilton**. Additionally, Students are required to choose another book that he/she has not read or tested on previously.

Red Kayak by Priscilla Cummings

Brady knows that his friends are responsible for a mean prank that results in an accidental tragedy. Plagued by this guilty secret, Brady struggles with the truth and its consequences.

Interest level: MG+ Book level: 4.9 50,353 words/209 pgs

Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Thirteen years after a plane mysteriously lands in an airport with thirty-six baby passengers and no adults on board, the children from the flight begin to receive strange, unexplained letters. Jonah and Chip must work quickly to uncover the secrets of their past. The first in the series, *The Missing*.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.0 59,017 words/314 pgs

Epic by Conor Kostick

In a society where violence is banned, people must settle their problems through a video game called Epic. The unjust treatment of his parents by the Central Allocations committee, which rules the planet and the game, sets Erik and his friends on a dangerous mission to challenge their world and put an end to Epic.

Interest level: UG Book level: 6.3 85,502 words/384 pgs

Slam by Walter Dean Myers

Seventeen-year-old "Slam" Harris is counting on his noteworthy basketball talents to get him out of the inner city and give him a chance to succeed in life, but his coach sees things differently.

Interest level: UG Book level: 4.5 55,306 words /266 pgs

The Last Book in the Universe by Rodman Philbrick

After an earthquake has destroyed much of the planet, an epileptic teenager nicknamed Spaz begins the heroic fight to bring human intelligence back to the Earth of a distant future.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.0 43,292 words/223 pgs

Uglies by Scott Westerfeld

In Tally's world, reaching 16 brings an operation that turns you from ugly to pretty and Tally's almost there, but when her friend runs away, Tally learns about a new side of pretty world and must choose between betrayal and never turning pretty. Book #1

Interest level: MG+ Book level: 5.2 87,274 words/425pgs

Game Changers by Mike Lupica

Eleven-year-old Ben is not surprised when the coach's son is chosen to play quarterback, but when Ben tries to be a good teammate and help the inconsistent Shawn, he is startled to learn that his new friend does not really want the position. Book #1

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.2 48,237 words/207 pgs

Look Both Ways: A Tale Told in Ten Blocks by Jason Reynolds

This story was going to begin like all the best stories. With a school bus falling from the sky. But no one saw it happen. They were all too busy— Talking about boogers. Stealing pocket change. Skateboarding. Wiping out. Braving up. Executing complicated handshakes. Planning an escape. Making jokes. Lotioning up. Finding comfort. But mostly, too busy walking home.

Jason Reynolds conjures ten tales (one per block) about what happens after the dismissal bell rings.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.8 34,647 words/188 pages

In the Paint by Jeff Rud

For as long as he can remember, Matt has wanted to play basketball. Now, as he tries out for the team at his new middle school, he realizes that the easy days of elementary ball are over and that this is a much more serious game. Book #1

Interest level: MG Book level: 6.0 35,718 words/163 pages

8th Grade Summer Reading List 2024 : 12 Options to Choose From

Students are required to choose ONE book that he/she has not read previously.

Bronx Masquerade by Nikki Grimes

While studying the Harlem Renaissance, students at a Bronx high school read aloud poems they have written, revealing their innermost thoughts and fears to their formerly clueless classmates.

Interest level: UG Book level: 4.5 24,229 words/167 pgs

Corner of the Universe by Ann Martin

During the summer that Hattie turns twelve, her world is turned upside down with the startling arrival of an uncle no one has ever spoken about. Adam's "school" -- an institution for the mentally disabled -- is being closed.

Interest level: UG Book level: 4.5 42,500 words/189 pgs

Double Dutch by Sharon Draper

Three eighth-grade friends, preparing for the International Double Dutch Championship jump rope competition in their hometown, cope with Randy's missing father, Yo Yo's encounter with the class bullies, and a secret Delia is too embarrassed to share.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.9 44,912 words/183 pgs

Secrets, Lies and Algebra by Wendy Lichtman

Eighth-grader Tess is having trouble in school and with her friends. A boy she secretly likes asks her to cheat for him, and she suspects her mom's friend has been murdered. Luckily, Tess has always loved math, and she uses mathematical concepts to help her solve the dilemmas she's facing.

Interest level: MG+ Book level: 5.9 27,785 words/183 pgs

The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise by Dan Gemeinhart

Twelve-year-old Coyote and her father rush to Poplin Springs, Washington, in their old school bus to save a memory box buried in a park that will soon be demolished.

Interest level: MG Book level: 4.7 83,218 words /341 pgs

Soldier's Heart by Gary Paulson

Eager to enlist, fifteen-year-old Charley has a change of heart after experiencing both the physical horrors and mental anguish of Civil War combat.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.7 15,206 words/104 pgs

Day of the Pelican Katherine Paterson

After her thirteen year old brother is captured and beaten by the Serbian police, Meli and her family flee their homeland in search of safety. This heartwarming contemporary tale illustrates the power of family despite prejudice and persecution.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.2 40,005 words /145

Death Cloud by Andrew Lane

In 1868, with his army officer father posted to India and his mother mysteriously "unwell," fourteen-year-old Sherlock is sent to stay with his uncle and aunt in Hampshire, where he uncovers his first murder. The plot contains violence. Book #1

Interest level: MG+ Book level: 6.3 72409 words/311 pgs

Million Dollar Throw by Mike Lupica

Eighth-grade star quarterback Nate gets a chance to win a million dollars if he can complete a pass during the halftime of a New England Patriots game, and he is nearly overwhelmed by the pressure to succeed.

Interest level: MG Book level: 5.4 54427 words/244 pgs

Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two by Joseph Bruchac

After being taught in a boarding school run by whites that Navajo is a useless language, Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines to become Code Talkers, sending messages during World War II in their native tongue.

Interest level: MG Book level: 6.4 56,150 words/231 pgs

H.I.V.E.: Higher Institute of Villainous Education by Mark Walden

Swept away to a hidden academy for training budding evil geniuses, Otto, a brilliant orphan, Wing, a sensitive warrior, Laura, a shy computer specialist, and Shelby, an infamous jewel thief, plot to escape the prison known as H.I.V.E. Book #1

Interest level: MG Book level: 7.5 65,909/304 pgs

The Fat Boy Chronicles; Inspired by a True Story by Diane Lang

Jimmy Winterpock, 187 pounds at the age of fourteen, finds the constant taunts over his weight difficult to bear, but his life changes when his friend Paul enlists him in helping solve a local murder case. The coauthor is Michael Buchanan.

Interest level: MG+ Book level: 5.2 61283 words/219 pages

9th Grade Summer Reading List 2024 : 11 Options to Choose From

ALL students are required to read ***How to Read Literature Like a Professor*** by Thomas C. Foster. Additionally, Students are required to choose another book that he/she has not read or tested on previously.

Amos Fortune, Free Man by Elizabeth Yates

When Amos Fortune was only fifteen years old, he was captured by slave traders and brought to Massachusetts, where he was sold at auction. Although his freedom had been taken, Amos never lost his dignity and courage. For 45 years, Amos worked as a slave and dreamed of freedom. And, at age 60, he finally began to see those dreams come true.

Reading level: 6.5 181 pages Genre: Biography

Nothing by Janne Teller

When Pierre-Anthon realizes there is no meaning to life, the seventh-grader leaves his classroom, climbs a tree, and stays there. His classmates cannot make him come down, not even by pelting him with rocks. So to prove to Pierre-Anthon that life has meaning, the children decide to give up things of importance. The ile starts with the superficial - a fishing rod, a new pair of shoes. But as the sacrifices become more extreme, the students grow increasingly desperate to get Pierre-Anthon down, to justify their belief in meaning.

Reading level: 6.1 227 pages Genre: Realistic fiction

Catch-22 by Joseph Heller

Set in Italy during World War II, this is the story of the incomparable, malingering bombardier, Yossarian, a hero who is furious because thousands of people he never met are trying to kill him. But his real problem is not the enemy - it is his own army, which keeps increasing the number of missions the men must fly to complete their service. Yet if Yossarian makes any attempt to excuse himself from the perilous missions he's assigned, he'll be in violation of Catch-22, a hilariously sinister bureaucratic rule: a man is considered insane if he willingly continues to fly dangerous combat missions, but if he makes a formal request to be removed from duty, he is proven sane and therefore ineligible to be relieved.

Reading level: 7.1 463 pages Genres: War Stories

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

largely set in a futuristic World State, inhabited by genetically modified citizens and an intelligence-based social hierarchy, the novel anticipates huge scientific advancements in reproductive technology, sleep-learning, psychological manipulation and classical conditioning that are combined to make dystopian society which is challenged by only a single individual: the story's protagonist.

Reading level: 7.5 259 pages Genre: Science Fiction

The 5th Generation by Rick Yancey

After the 1st wave, only darkness remains. After the 2nd, only the lucky escape. After the 3rd, only the unlucky survive. After the 4th, only one rule applies: trust no one. Now, it's the dawn of the 5th wave, on a lonely stretch of highway, Cassie runs from Them. The beings who only look human, who roam the countryside killing anyone they see. To stay alone is to stay alive, Cassie believes, until she meets Evan Walker. Beguiling and mysterious, Evan Walker may be Cassie's only hope for rescuing her brother - or even saving herself.

Reading level: 4.6 457 pages Genre: Science Fiction

Monster by Walter Dean Meyers

Monster tells the story of Steve Harmon, a teenage boy in juvenile detention and on trial. Presented as a screenplay of Steve's own imagination, and peppered with journal entries, the book shows how one single decision can change our whole lives.

Reading level: 5.1 281 pages Genre: Realistic fiction

Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard

Mare Barrow's world is divided by blood - those with common Red blood serve the Silver-blooded elite who are gifted with superhuman abilities. Mare is a Red, scraping by as a thief in a poor, rural village, until a twist of fate throws her in front of the Silver court. Before the king, princes, and all the nobles, she discovers she has an ability of her own. To cover up this impossibility, the king forces her to play the role of a lost silver princess and betrothes her to one of his own sons. As Mare is drawn further into the Silver world, she risks everything and uses her new position to help the Scarlet Guard - a growing Red rebellion - even as her heart tugs her in impossible directions. One wrong move can lead to her death, but in the dangerous game she plays, the only certainty is betrayal.

Reading level: 5.2 388 pages Genre: Fantasy Fiction

Taking Hold: From Migrant Childhood to Columbia University by Francisco Jimenez

In this fourth book in his award-winning memoir series, Francisco Jimenez leaves everything behind in California - a loving family, a devoted girlfriend, and the culture that shaped him - to attend Columbia University in New York City. With few true accounts of the Latino experience in America, Francisco Jimenez's work comes alive with telling details about the warmth and resiliency of family and the quest for identity against seemingly impossible odds.

Reading level: 7.3 191 pages Genre: Biographies

American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang

All Jin Wang wants is to fit in. When his family moves to a new neighborhood, he suddenly finds that he's the only Chinese American student at his school. Jocks and bullies pick on him constantly, and he has hardly any friends. Then, to make matters worse, he falls in love with an all-American girl.

Reading level: 3.3 233 pages Genre: Graphic novel/Realistic fiction

March: Book One by John Lewis

March is a vivid first-hand account of John Lewis' lifelong struggle for civil and human rights meditating in the modern age on the distance traveled since the days of Jim Crow and segregation. Rooted in Lewis' personal story, it also reflects on the highs and lows of the broader civil rights movement. Book One spans John Lewis' youth in rural Alabama, his life-changing meeting with Martin Luther King, Jr., the birth of the Nashville Student Movement, and their battle to tear down segregation through nonviolent lunch counter sit-ins, building to a stunning climax on the steps of City Hall.

Reading level: 4.6 121 pages Genre: Graphic novel/biography

I am the Messenger by Markus Zusak

Ed Kennedy is an underage cabdriver without much of a future. He's pathetic at playing cards, hopelessly in love with his best friend Audrey, and utterly devoted to his coffee-drinking dog, the Doorman. His life is one of peaceful routine and incompetence until he inadvertently stops a bank robbery. That's when the first ace arrives in the mail. That's when Ed becomes the messenger. Chosen to care, he makes his way through town helping and hurting (when necessary) until only one question remains: Who's behind Ed's mission?

Reading level: 3.9 357 pages Genre: Adventure fiction

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School Supply List 2024-2025
6th – 9th Grade

Students will receive a Barton Explorers Yearly Planner and the following supplies free of charge when they return to school. *These have been purchased with allotted federal funds.

INCLUDES: 1- RING BINDER 1.5" VIEW BLUE HEAVY DUTY

1- COMPOSITION BOOK

2- PAPER FOLDERS WITH POCKETS AND BRADS (BLUE & GRAY)

1- BOX PENCILS 12/CT

1- PACK PENS

1- ELMERS GLUE STICK

1- PACK 5-TAB INDEXES FOR BINDER

1- BOX CRAYOLA COLOR PENCILS

1- PAIR FISKARS 6" STUDENT SCISSORS

1- PACK GRAPH PAPER

1- FILLER PAPER WIDE RULE

Additional Items Requested for Purchase by Families:

Grades 6 – 9:

Five Composition Notebooks (Used in Core Subjects and World Language)

Pack of Highlighters

Pencil Pouch

1 Pack of Pre-Sharpended Pencils

1 Ruler

Roll of Paper Towels

Box of Kleenex

**Other specialty items may be requested by individual teachers once school begins.*

Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

2024-2025

We want our Barton Academy students to dress for success! Our uniform is mandatory for grades 6 through 9. Parents may be called to bring uniform attire if students are out of uniform. Repeated uniform infractions may lead to disciplinary action.

**Contact our school counselor, principal, or assistant principal if uniform assistance is needed.*

Tops:

Zoghby's Blue Oxford with Barton Logo. *Tucked in*

School approved spirit shirts may be worn on Friday's and to PE

Bottoms:

Zoghby's Light Grey Flannel Pant

Additional Girl's Option: **Zoghby's** Plaid 1D Skort

***During hot months, students may wear shorts underneath uniform for a quick PE "dress out" option.**

Accessories:

Black leather-style belt must be worn with uniform pants that have belt loops.

Black socks.

Tights/Leggings (on cold weather days) must be **solid black** when worn under skorts.

Headbands and/or bows must **MATCH UNIFORM**, be worn in hair, and not be distracting.

Undershirts must be **solid white** or **Barton spirit shirts (if wearing for PE)**.

Shoes: **SOLID BLACK** low-cut, closed-toe, closed heel shoe OR Zoghby's black/grey saddle oxford. (No high heels, wheels, high-tops, boots, or sandals.)

***Soles** may be black, white, or grey (NO OTHER COLORS)

Other Items:

Backpacks- Solid or two-toned color preferred (preferably blue, black, or grey). No rolling backpacks. School appropriate designs only.

Jewelry- Must be suitable for business attire. No more than one or two bracelets per wrist. Simple earrings and necklaces that do not distract from learning. No flair.

Hair – Natural hair tones and cuts/styles that do not distract from the learning environment. Hair scarves and bows must match uniform. No hats (unless pre-approved) or character headbands.

Outerwear:

SOLID BLACK jackets or sweaters may be worn inside **or** Barton (sold) team wear. Zoghby's has several options that can be monogrammed with the Barton logo. Students will be asked to remove and put away any outer wear that is not **SOLID black** or **Barton**. The only permissible writing is our BARTON LOGO. Otherwise, the outerwear must be solid black with no writing.

****Please label outerwear so lost items can be returned to students.***