

2017 FRESHMEN ORIENTATION

FRESHMEN FOCUS

WBHS CLASS OF 2021

COMMONLY-ASKED

1ST DAY QUESTIONS

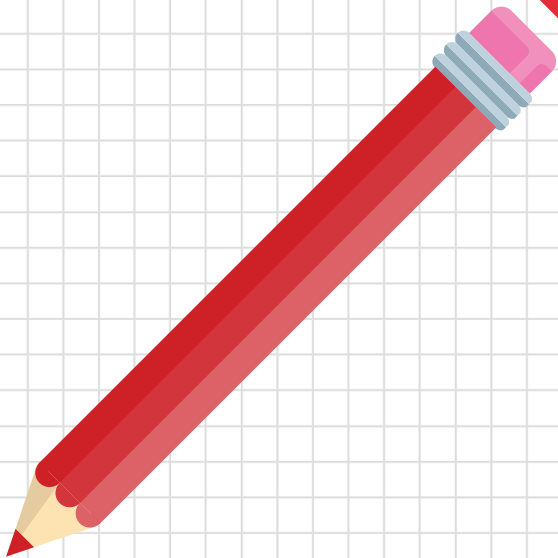
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Can I change my student's schedule?

- Freshmen schedules were created
 - to be balanced
 - using chosen alternates
- We will change for reasons listed at the top of schedule
- If you have concerns, PLEASE EMAIL freshmen counselor, Ms. Boykin, at mary.boykin@barrow.k12.ga.us

What school supplies does my student need?

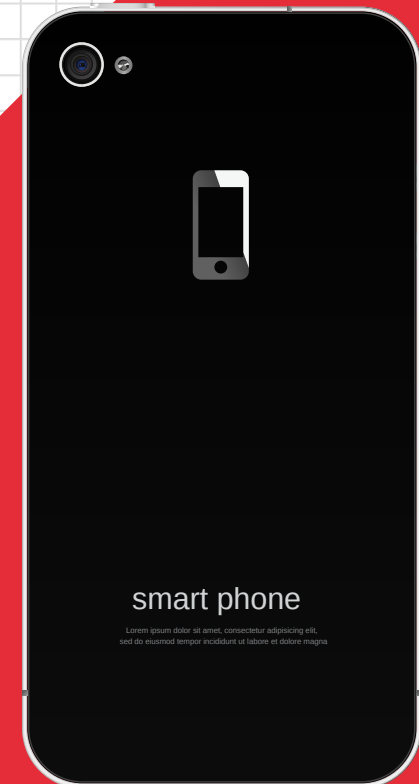
- Most students need a bookbag, paper, pencils, pens, and binder(s) with dividers
- A calendar or planner is nice
- Lockers are optional; \$5/year rental; table in lobby today
- If a teacher requires specific supplies, they will tell the student or list them in the syllabus posted on teacher websites



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Does my student need a phone at school?

- **WBHS is a BYOT school, but students will be provided technology if they need it.**
- **Phones can be useful, but can also be a huge distraction. Students need to keep phones away during class.**



What if my student misses a day?

- **If the absence is excused, please send a note to the attendance office**
- **One absence on block schedule is like missing two days**
- **Upon their return, your student is responsible for asking the teacher what was missed and how to make it up**

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**What clubs and sports
does WBHS offer?**

**Your student will attend
the Club and Sports Fair
on the first day of school.**



Who is the advisor listed on my student's schedule?

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Advisement Schedule:
Mon - 1st block remediation
Tues - 2nd block remediation
Wed - Advisement
Thur - 3rd block remediation
Fri - 4th block remediation

- This teacher will be your student's advisor until they graduate
- They will help in the course registration process
- They will deliver important information during Advisement (every Wednesday)

First Day Only:
Report to
Advisement
first

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How will I know what is going on?

- Quick Reference Guide - hang on fridge**
- Important websites, dates, contacts, info**
- Follow WBHS on Twitter and Facebook (set to see WBHS notifications first in newsfeed)**
- Check WBHS website for announcements**

**How do I know if my
student needs help?
And what if they do?**

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- **PARENT PORTAL! PARENT PORTAL! PARENT PORTAL!**
Check weekly and tell student you check it.
- **Watch for PROGRESS REPORTS**

Then utilize

- **tutoring (arrange with teacher)**
- **remediation (during school)**
- **counseling department (give us a call)**
- **parent-teacher conferences (can be arranged thru counselor)**

Don't wait!

I should back off now
that my student is in high
school, right?

Nope

**"As kids start high school, . . . it's important to
continue to provide structure and oversight.
Keeping close tabs on a child's schoolwork and
social life is not only perfectly appropriate, it's
highly necessary."**

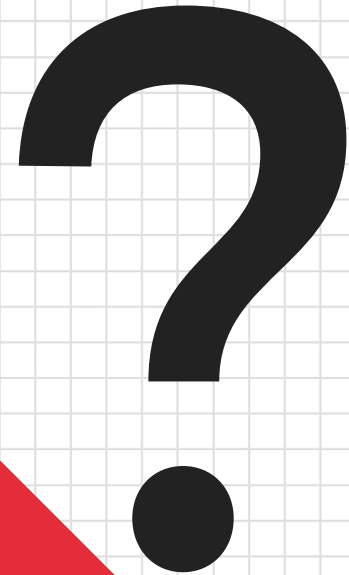
Julie Mack, education author

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What if I have more questions?

ASK!

- If you have general concerns, email Ms. Boykin at mary.boykin@barrow.k12.ga.us
- If you have class-specific questions, email the teacher
- Refer to the Student Handbook on the WBHS website



THANKS FOR COMING!

THANK YOU FOR LETTING US
EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE
THEIR FUTURE SUCCESSES!

