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VISION: "Barker Central School will provide the experiences necessary for our students to acquire the knowledge, skills, and traits to succeed intellectually, physically, socially, and emotionally in an ever-changing world."

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A Message From Your Superintendent



New Beginnings

Dear Resident,

With the opening of another school year in just a few days, many new, exciting beginnings should be noted for the Barker Central School District. First, on behalf of the District, I extend the very best of wishes to Gail Damon, Ginny Piskorowski and Ruth Hastings as they begin a new phase of life in retirement. Collectively, their service to the district equates to 75 years. We are grateful for their dedicated service to the students, staff and community.

Congratulations to our recent graduates representing the Class of 2014. Through the combined efforts of the students, their parents, school staff and supportive community, the Class of 2014 is unquestionably one of the most accomplished with regard to academic achievement, athletics, career and technical programs, music and art. We are confident that each graduate will be successful in his or her future endeavors.

Among the many highlights of the graduation ceremony were the speeches delivered by Olivia Denny—Valedictorian and Ben Kaiser—Salutatorian. Each spoke proudly about the school and community. Olivia spoke about the district's accomplishments and Ben spoke about the impact that family and friends have had on their individual and collective achievements. Their speeches have been posted on the District's website. I encourage you to visit the website to view their speeches.

We offer a warm welcome to families that have recently moved into the community. We are honored that they have chosen to live within the Barker Central School District. You will find the school and community to be a friendly and caring place to live and learn for all members of your family.

As students advance to the next grade level, they will be afforded many opportunities to enjoy a variety of learning experiences. The Board of Education and I invite all families to attend the annual Open House on Wednesday, September 17 to meet your children's teachers and visit their classrooms.

Barker Central School continues to be responsive to the needs of all district residents. For students, innovative programs and new technologies will be introduced this year. For adults, please see the enclosed Adult Education program offering a wide range of high interest courses.

In closing, it continues to be an honor to serve as your school superintendent. If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me at 795-3832 or by email: rklatt@barkercsd.net.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Roger J. Klatt



Barker Coach Receives Highest Sportsmanship Honor from Section VI

On August 27th Barker's Mr. William Wilson will be recognized by Section VI as the Niagara-Orleans Sportsmanship Coach of the Year. For more than 30 years Mr. Wilson has served as an outstanding role model for our student-athletes and the entire Raider coaching staff. Coach Wilson exemplifies courtesy, respect, and sportsmanship. For more than three decades Mr. Wilson has been an ambassador of sportsmanship throughout the Niagara-Orleans Athletic League and Section VI Athletics. Over the years, his teams have displayed the best sportsmanship practices and they have been recognized on many occasions as the Niagara-Orleans Athletic League Sportsmanship Award Recipient. Whether it is his students in his science class or his athletes on the soccer field, cross-country course, track, or pool, Mr. Wilson always makes sure his students "do the right thing". Congratulations Coach Wilson!





Student Absences and Truancy

Students are expected to be in school daily and on time. At the request of the principal, frequent telephone calls to parents are made to check on suspected truancy. A student is considered truant



when he or she is absent or tardy without parent or school permission or knowledge.

Student absence without the knowledge and consent of the parent is considered truancy. Truancy is a violation of New York State Law and is subject to disciplinary measures imposed both by the school and Family Court.

Students who are absent from school excessively, late to school, or leave early due to illness or lack of responsibility are NOT eligible to attend after school events as participants or spectators. This includes all sports, clubs, banquets, ceremonies, concerts, etc. If students arrive late, they should report to the office immediately, turn in a note from their parent or guardian for tardiness and get a late slip to take to class.

REMINDER: All notes must be received within 24 hours of a student's return to school.



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 the summer.

Students had a fun filled day at Fantasy Island over the summer.

after school, please follow this procedure:

- 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 office has had problems with telephone requests due to the inability to identify the person calling. With custody disputes and child abduction cases a possibility, written permission is a better way to handle these requests.) THE NOTE MUST BE SIGNED. 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.
- 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 remem-

ber that New York State Law requires that children under age 15 wear approved safety helmets when riding their bicycles.



Discuss Bus Safety With Your Children

Three bus drills are held each school year to familiarize students with bus safety. However, parents can reinforce these concepts by talking with their children about school bus safety.

- Waiting for the bus Students will be ready for the bus at the side of the road (standing off the pavement) at least five minutes ahead of time. They will wait and watch for the bus in an orderly fashion.
- When the bus arrives Students will not approach the bus until it stops. They will board the bus in an orderly fashion with small children boarding first where a large group is waiting. The driver is in charge and may direct passengers where to sit.
- The ride Passengers will remain seated while the bus is in motion and do nothing that will disturb or distract the driver. They will keep their head, arms, and hands inside windows at all times. Windows are not to be opened without permission from the driver.
- Arriving at school or home All bus riders will remain seated until the bus stops, then leave the bus in an orderly fashion. If a child must cross the highway after leaving the bus, he or she will do so before the bus moves and at a point at least 10 feet in front of the bus, looking to the right and left before crossing. The law states "no cars shall pass a school bus when it is loading or unloading," but some cars do. Always be alert when crossing in front of the bus.
- Stop for blinking lights It is illegal to pass a loading or unloading school bus on private roads or in parking lots. Bus drivers will display flashing red lights as they do on public highways.

Bus Routes

Barker Central School contracts with Ridge Road Express for bus services. Questions regarding bus services can be directed to Lynn Walker at the local Ridge Road Express garage at 795-3816. Please note that changes in bus routes may affect bus pick up and drop off times.

This year the District has reduced the bus routes from 10 to 9 busses. As a result of this, some bus numbers and bus routes have changed. Look for specific information regarding your children in the information letters from the building principals.

Cheating/Plagiarism

Students are expected to conduct themselves honestly and with integrity in their work. All forms of cheating and plagiarism are prohibited. Behavior that is unacceptable includes, but is not limited to:

- Copying another students homework
- Working with others on projects that are meant to be done individually
- Looking at or copying another student's test or

quiz answers

- Allowing another student to look at or copy answers from your test or quiz
- Using any other method to get/give test or quiz answers
- Taking a test or quiz in part or in whole to use or to give others
- Copying information from a source without proper attribution
- Taking papers from other students, publications, or the Internet

Violators of this policy will be disciplined on a caseby-case basis depending on the seriousness of the violation, prior violations, and other factors. Disciplinary measures include, but are not limited to, redoing assignment/retaking test, receiving a failing grade on the project/test, receiving a lower overall grade in the class, detention, suspension, or expulsion.

Provision for Educationally Disabled Children

The Barker Central School District complies with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the regulations of the NYS 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) 795-3832. 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.

Consumption of Food and Beverages

Eating or drinking is not allowed in school hallways. Students may only consume food and beverages in the cafeteria during breakfast and lunch periods, or as otherwise allowed by individual classroom teachers for special events. Water fountains exist throughout the school.



Water, in clear containers only, will be allowed if necessary.

Open bottles or containers may be confiscated and checked for appropriate content.

Dances

General rules for Barker Jr./Sr. High School apply at all dances. These rules may be found in their entirety in the student handbook and on our website: www.barkercsd.net. Visitors must be signed up in the office at least 24 hours before the dance and be approved by the Jr./Sr. high school principal. Jr. High students are NOT allowed at Sr. High school dances.

Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Abuse

Barker Central School has been identified by local, state and federal laws as a Drug Free



Zone. The school is committed to the prevention of alcohol and other substance use/abuse. No student may use, possess, sell, or distribute alcohol or other substances, nor may he/she use or possess drug paraphernalia, on school grounds or at school-sponsored events, except drugs as prescribed by a physician. The term "alcohol and/or other substances" refers to the use of all substances including, but not limited, alcohol, inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, LSD, PCP amphetamines, heroin, steroids, look-alikes, and any of those substances commonly referred to as "designer drugs". The inappropriate use of prescription and over the counter drugs are also forbidden.

Additionally, the following persons are not permitted to enter school grounds or school sponsored events: any person who gives any visible and/or physical indication that he/she has used or consumed alcohol and/or other substances, or any person who school personnel have reasonable grounds to suspect has used alcohol and/or other substances.

Any narcotics found will be confiscated immediately. The parent/guardian of the student(s) involved will be called and appropriate disciplinary action taken, up to and including permanent suspension. The District may bring legal charges against the student(s) involved, including a lawsuit. In its effort to maintain a drug free environment, the District shall cooperate to the fullest extent possible with Local, State and/or Federal law enforcement agencies. Because of the Drug Free Zone status, penalties may be doubled for convicted violators.

Smoking is prohibited anywhere on school property. It is against State and Federal law. Possession, displaying, and handling of tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes on school property are also prohibited. Students caught smoking on school property will be subject to inschool and out-of-school suspension. Smoking or lighting matches on a bus is a civil crime and students will be treated in accordance with the law.

A Niagara County Sheriff's dog will be brought into the school on occasion to check lockers, back packs, etc. for drugs.

Electronic Devices

Laser pointers, cellular phones, and electronic games are not to be used by students in the building between 7:54 am and 2:18 pm. iPods and mp3 players may be used



in the classroom at the discretion of the teacher. Headphones are not to be worn during passing time in the hallwavs.

Students may choose to leave these items in their lockers, but must understand that the school is not responsible for stolen or lost items.

The Importance of Emergency Information Cards

Students bring home an emergency information card the first week of school. 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 school nurse of any changes in the information during the school year so we may keep our records current. Thank you for your cooperation.

Additionally - it is very important that your phone information is up-to-date in the event of a school closing. The school district will be using the Global Connect system to notify residents of school closings/cancellations.

Extracurricular Clubs and Activities

We are pleased to offer many extracurricular activities for students in addition to sports. For more information about specific clubs, meeting dates and times, please visit our website. Students are encouraged to participate in the following clubs and activities:

Jr./Sr. High School Clubs:

- A.F.S. (American Field Service) •
- International Club
- Foreign Language Club •
- **Future Farmers of America**
- National Honor Society
- Jr. High Student Council •
- Sr. High Student Council
- Varsity Club •

Jr./Sr. High School Activities:

- Jr. High Band
- Jr. High Chorus •
- Sr. High Concert Choir •
- Sr. High Concert Band
- Sr. High Jazz Band •
- **Musical Theater Production**
- Sr. High Select Choir •

KidWatch

The purpose of the Barker Central School District KidWatch Program is to provide a safe, secure and productive environment for students whose parents need to leave for work before their over the summer. Pre-K - 6 children are able to board the bus.



There were plenty of smiles with so many activities to do

Students must register to take part in the program. KidWatch runs Monday through Friday during regular school days from 7:35-8:35 am during which time activities, including arts and crafts, movies, gym and computer lab time are provided. The cost does not include breakfast.

An application is included in this edition of The Banner and is also available on the BCS Website.

Sports Information

Visit barkercsd.net for the latest sport stories, team rosters, schedules, results,



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directions, a copy of the student-athlete handbook, and more. Varsity scores and stories are reported to the following: The Buffalo News, The Lockport Star, the Lockport Union-Sun & Journal, and orleanshub.com.

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 after up school when asked to do so by a teacher.

meet with the student



Upon notification, the Four Square was popular in both gyms during Athletic Director will summer recreation.

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 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.

In order for a student-athlete to be eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activities, the studentathlete must be in regular attendance for the entire day. Extenuating circumstances will be reviewed on a case-bycase basis.

If a student-athlete is late for school, they must sign-in before 11 a.m. with a legal excuse in order to participate in athletics that day.

If a student-athlete needs to be excused from school early, it must be for a valid reason and communication with the coach is essential if the student-athlete plans on participating in athletics that day.

Student Dress Code

The Student Dress Code for the Barker School District is now outlined in the S.A.V.E. (Safe Schools Against Violence In Education Act) Legislation. These specific guidelines must be adhered to by all students and will be fully enforced.

In addition to the Dress Code outlined by S.A.V.E., the following guidelines in the Barker High School Student Handbook will also be enforced and adhered to by all students.

Coats and hats are NOT to be worn in the building. Clothing that shows written or printed matter that is profane, sexually explicit, or advocates weapons, drugs, tobacco, or alcohol usage may not be worn. Students who violate the dress code will be asked to remove the offensive clothing or be sent home.

A. We take pride in the appearance of our students

and teachers. Clothes reflect the quality of the school, of student conduct and schoolwork.

B. Students must wear clothing that is suitable in style and taste. Acceptable footwear and shirts must be worn at all times. Common sense should be used when choosing footwear. Please be aware of the following: high-heeled and/or "open toe" shoes and sandals are considered unsafe during emergency evacuations (especially outdoors during the winter). Safe footwear should also be considered when working with machinery or potentially harmful chemicals, i.e. technology and science classes.

C. The following items of dress are NOT appropriate during the school day or at school functions:

- Swim wear, halter tops, and midriff tops, and/or spaghetti straps. All shoulder straps allowed should be a minimum width of one inch. This will be enforced by all staff. Any students violating this will be asked to change his/her top and/or the school will provide a t-shirt to be worn.
- Shirts, jackets, etc. that have imprinted inappropriate sayings or pictures.
- Clothing worn inappropriately (low or unbuttoned to the point of immodesty, too tight, see-through, etc.)
- Hats are not to be worn or carried in school unless they are part of a school sponsored activity, taking place in school. For identification purposes, a person's eyes and face must be visible at all times.
- Shirts are to be worn in the school at all times, including the P. E. area.
- Muscle shirts can be worn by boys in gym class only.
- No PJ's and/or slippers are to be worn during the school day, unless for a special activity.

Smart Snacks in School

The "Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in School" went into effect July 1, 2014. This Federal Law will see the continuation of changes made to our school lunch program by



offering students healthier foods and beverages such as: whole grains, fruits and vegetables, leaner protein, lowerfat dairy, while limiting foods with too much sugar, fat and salt.

This new law includes all snacks/beverages sold to students within the school day anywhere on our school campus, and has regulations that are age specific. Your student will see new snack products and beverages offered this year that comply with all guidelines.

Our Barker community is working together with New York State and our Federal Government to instill healthy habits in all of our students.

KidWatch Registration Form

Return to Pratt Elementary School

Barker, NY 14012

Child's Name:	
Nickname:	
Parent(s) Name:	
Address w/Zip:	
Home Telephone Number:	
Emergency Contact Person and Telephone Number:	
Medical Concerns (Be Specific):	
Telephone Number of Parent(s) during KidWatch hours:	
Days per week you anticipate using KidWatch:	
Days per week you anticipate using Kiuwatch:	
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ALL STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR KIDWATCH BEI	ORE ATTENDING.
If family has applied for and qualifies for Free Lunch	\$0.50 per day
If family has applied for and qualifies for Reduced Lunch	\$1.00 per day
All Other Students	\$2.00 per day

This price does not include breakfast.

The hours of KidWatch run from 7:35 a.m. until 8:35 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Barker Central School offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.40; lunch costs \$2.00. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$0.25 for breakfast and \$0.25 for lunch.

- 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: Julie Fuerch, Cafeteria Manager, 1628 Quaker Rd, Barker, NY 14012.
- 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. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.
- 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.
- 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 Deborah Farese (dfarese@barkercsd.net or 716-795-3000 Ext 3346) to see if they qualify.
- 5. WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this application.
- 6. 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 716-795-9111 if you have questions.
- 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 the first 30 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.
- 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, Barker Central School, 1628 Quaker Rd, Barker, NY 14012, 716-795-9111.
- 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.
- 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**.

2014-2015 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

Total	Annual	Monthly	Twice per	Every	Weekly
Family Size			Month	Two Weeks	
1	\$ 21,590	\$ 1,800	\$ 900	\$ 831	\$ 416
2	\$ 29,101	\$ 2,426	\$ 1,213	\$ 1,120	\$ 560
3	\$ 36,612	\$ 3,051	\$ 1,526	\$ 1,409	\$ 705
4	\$ 44,123	\$ 3,677	\$ 1,839	\$ 1,698	\$ 849
5	\$ 51,634	\$ 4,303	\$ 2,152	\$ 1,986	\$ 993
6	\$ 59,145	\$ 4,929	\$ 2,465	\$ 2,275	\$ 1,138
7	\$ 66,656	\$ 5,555	\$ 2,778	\$ 2,564	\$ 1,282
8	\$ 74,167	\$ 6,181	\$ 3,091	\$ 2,853	\$ 1,427
*Each add'l family member add	\$ 7,511	\$ 626	\$ 313	\$ 289	\$ 145

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children you may submit an Eligibility Letter for Free Meals received from the NYS Education Department, OR carefully complete one application for your household and return it to the designated office. 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 food stamp, 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 food stamp, TANF or FDPIR case number for all the children for whom you are applying, 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 that is not complete cannot be approved. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your food stamp or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year. 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.

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.)

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov.

Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities and you wish to file either an EEO or program complaint please contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339 or (800) 845-6136 (in Spanish).

Persons with disabilities who wish to file a program complaint, please see information above on how to contact us by mail directly or by email. If you require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) please contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

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. Major life activities are defined to include functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. You must request the special meals from the school and provide the school with medical certification from a medical doctor. 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 certification 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 Heiligenthaler, Business Administrator

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2014-2015 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and return it to: **Julie Fuerch**, **Barker Central School 1628 Quaker Rd**, **Barker**, **NY 14012**. Call **716-795-3201 Ext 3305**, if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	No Income

2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. Skip to Part 5, and sign the application.

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_____ CASE #_

3. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant or a runaway, please call this number:

Homeless Migrant Runaway

(Homeless Liaison/Migrant Education Coordinator)

4. Household Gross Income: List all people living in your household, how much and how often they are paid (weekly, every other week, twice per month, monthly). Do not leave income blank. If no income, check box. If you have listed a foster child above, you must report their personal income.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony Amount / How Often	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
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5. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application and provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all of the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature:

Date:

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Signature	Date	I do not
Email Address: Home Phone Work Phone	Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: ***-**	$ SS\# \square$
DO NOT WRITE BEI	LOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY	
	convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application) Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12	
□ SNAP/TANF/Foster □ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Offu □ Free Meals□ Reduced Price Meals □ De	en:/ Household Size:	
□ Signature of Reviewing Official	Date Notice Sent:	_

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, submit a Free Meals/Milk Eligibility Letter received from the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance OR complete only one application for your household using the instructions. Sign the application and return the application to **Julie Fuerch**. If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is no longer needed. Call the school if you need help: 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, and check the box for each child with no income.

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING FOOD STAMPS, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 5.

(1) List a current Food Stamp, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. Do not use the 16-digit number on your benefit card. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.

(2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 5. SKIP PART 4. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a food stamp case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3 Before completing an application for a child who may be homeless, a migrant education student, or a runaway, please call your school's homeless liaison or migrant education coordinator at this number: Deborah Farese, 716-795-3000 Ext 3346.

PARTS 4 & 5 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 5.

- (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 Pro grams should not be considered as income for this program.
- (3) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs PART 5 if Part 4 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. If you listed a food stamp, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). In order 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.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

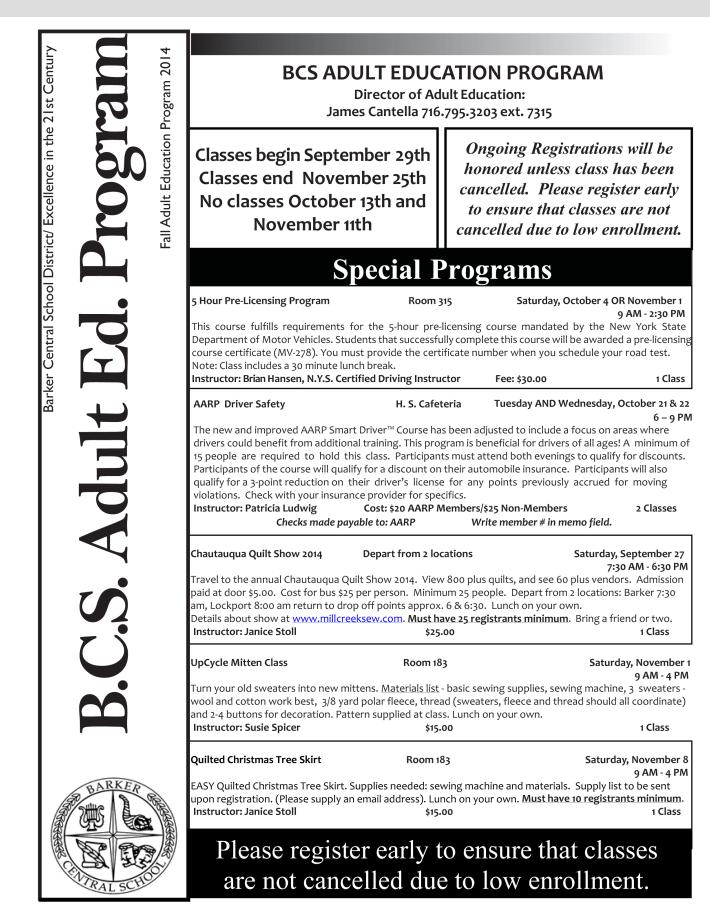
Privacy Act Statement: This explains how we will use the information you give us.

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, 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 adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Stamp, 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.

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	Regular Classes	
ANTIQUE AUTO RESTORATION	Room 161	Tuesdays 4 - 6 PM
Come and explore the various techniques user restore antique automobiles. No formal instru	d to accomplish sheet metal work, welding, painting action given. There will be a charge for all materials u	
charged for, and will be responsible for all sup Instructor: Tom Mallon	\$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00)	8 Weeks
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•	Elementary Gym Do you want to feel better, get active and have fun too? Cor ing. All exercises are done standing or sitting in a chair. The tness instructor. No Class 11/11. \$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00)	,
STAINED GLASS	Room 160	Thursdays 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Learn the basic techniques of working w materials used.	vith stained glass to create beautiful objects for your	self, home, or as gifts. There is a \$10 lab fee for
Instructor: Laura Diez	\$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00)	8 weeks
VOLLEYBALL Mixed volleyball for all skill level players. NO STUDENTS	H.S. Gym A pleasant environment is maintained to insure that	Thursdays 7 - 9 PM all participants have an enjoyable evening.
Instructor: Jim Harris	\$30.00 (Seniors \$15.00)	8 weeks
and tone those muscles through water re	Pool rticipants through very low impact aerobic exercise th esistance workouts using rhythmic exercises put to m	nusic 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. No class 10/13.Instructor: Lynne Wilson and Beth VeRost\$40.00 (Seniors \$20.00)8 weeks

Important Adult 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 <u>who are 18 years of age or older</u> 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.
- **<u>Registration</u>**: 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 Cancelled?: 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 Global 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. Cancelled 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 cancelled 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.

Looking for New Classes! Would you like to teach, or share your hobby? Be a teacher for Adult Education. Call Jim Cantella at 716.795.3203 ext. 7315 or e-mail jcantella@barkercsd.net

B.C.S. Adult Education Registration Form

NAME:			ADDRESS:
CITY:	ZIP:		
HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:	CELL PHONE:	
EMAIL: (For updated information	and materials)		
COURSES:			
		COST:	
		COST:	
		COST:	
If signing up for a family session,	please include the information bel	ow:	
CHILDREN(S) NAME(S):			

*Check here if you are a District senior citizen, 55 years or older with a B.C.S. Senior Citizen card, eligible for the 50% discount.

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.
- 7. Make checks payable to: Barker Central School Adult Education unless otherwise noted, and indicate the name of the course or courses on your check.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.

 Mail to: James Cantella Coordinator of Adult Education Barker Central School District 1628 Quaker Road Barker, NY 14012 Questions? Contact the Coordinator of Adult Education James Cantella 716-795-3203 Ext. 7315 jcantella@barkercsd.net

> Please check the District/Community section of the Barker website www.barkercsd.net for a complete updated schedule.

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