

Winder-Barrow High School Class of 2023



Freshmen Facts

Stay Connected

WBHS Counseling Department Website: <http://wordpress.barrow.k12.ga.us/wbhscounseling/>

WBHS Website: <http://www.barrow.k12.ga.us/wbhs/>

* Teacher emails and websites under “Faculty” tab

Facebook: [fb.me/wbhscounseling/](https://www.facebook.com/wbhscounseling/)

Twitter: @TweetDoggs

Parent Portal: <http://www.barrow.k12.ga.us/parent-portal.html>

Questions?

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Please call first if you would like an appointment

People to Know

WBHS Administration:

- Dr. Al Darby - Principal
- Ms. Barbara Smith - Assistant Principal
- Mr. Craig Martin - Assistant Principal
- Mr. Robert McFerrin - Assistant Principal & Athletic Director

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- Ms. Gwen Tilley - records
- Ms. Lori McElroy - registrar

Graduation Requirements

Credits needed for graduation in Barrow County:	
Language Arts	4 credits
Math	4 credits
Science	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits
Health/PE	1 credit (or 3 JROTC credits)
Pathway	3 credits
Electives	4 credits
Total	24 credits (minimum)

World/Foreign Language

World language is not a Barrow County requirement, but is required for admission to most 4-year colleges.

Pathways

- Barrow County requires ONE pathway for graduation
- Students take three courses in one area to complete a pathway
 - 32 pathway options at WBHS in the following areas:
 - Fine arts
 - Art, band, chorus, or drama
 - Modern language (French or Spanish)
 - JROTC
 - CTAE (career, technical, agriculture)

Barrow County Tiered Diploma:

- Diploma with HIGHEST DISTINCTION (32 credits)
 - Pass all courses throughout high school career
 - Receive a diploma seal and cord
- Diploma with DISTINCTION (28 credits)
 - Pass all academic and pathway courses and 8 elective courses
 - Receive a diploma seal
- STANDARD Diploma (24 credits)
 - Pass all academic and pathway courses and 4 elective courses
 - This student has been involved in in the SST/ RTI/ IEP process
 - This is a small percentage of students with the primary goal of getting back on the 28 credit track

Freshman Schedule & Courses

Freshman Schedule

- Block schedule
 - 4 classes in fall; 4 classes in spring
 - 90-minute classes

Freshmen will take 8 courses:

1. social studies
2. math
3. science
4. literature
5. PE/health
6. elective
7. elective
8. elective

Ideally, balanced over 2 semesters (example):

	Fall	Spring
	social studies	math
	science	literature
	PE	elective
	elective	elective

Freshman Academic Courses:

SUBJECT AREA	COURSE OPTIONS
Social Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● World History ● Honors World History ● AP World History
Math	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Foundations of Algebra ● Algebra I with Algebra Support ● Algebra I ● Honors Algebra I ● Honors Algebra I with Engineering ● Honors Geometry
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Earth Systems ● Honors Biology
Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9th Grade Literature ● Honors 9th Grade Literature

Honors/AP Courses

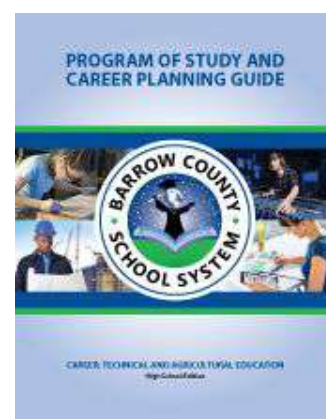
Course	Teacher	Summer Assignment?
9 th Grade Lit Honors	Maegan Holt, Madelyn Teel	Yes
Biology Honors	David Rows, Chris Cook	No
Algebra Honors & Geometry Honors	Rachel Lehner, Khatherynne Evans	No
World History Honors	Jordan Najafi, Ryan Smith, Brad Hunt	No
AP World History	Vonda Woodall	Yes

GA Milestone Exams

9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade
Biology	Biology	American Literature	Economics
Algebra I Or Geometry	Geometry		
9th Grade Literature	U.S. History		

Elective Courses

- Students will take up to 16 electives in high school
- Not all electives will be in a student's chosen pathway
- To explore elective courses and pathways, you may access the Program of Study/Career Planning Guide at <http://www.barrow.k12.ga.us/assets/ctae-wbhs-booklet-2019-2020.pdf>



Summer PE

- PE/Health will be offered over the summer
- This class will have a limited number of seats; students will be added to the roster or wait list in order of payment received
- Information will be sent home with all 8th grade students in March or April
- Please look in Wednesday folders and on social media for announcements

9th Grade Registration

Registration Timeline - Upcoming Events:

- Jan 14 - Feb 1
 - Teachers begin making course recommendations
- Feb 7 and 8
 - High School Registration Team visits middle schools
- Feb 19, 4:00-6:00 PM
 - Course Reveal Night at WBHS
- Feb 22
 - LAST day to turn in course recommendation forms to middle school

Process

- 8th grade teachers will make academic course recommendations
 - Talk to teachers if you have questions
- Teachers will help students select (1) PE or JROTC, (2) three electives, and (3) five elective alternates
 - Talk to your students about electives and encourage them to pick ones that are of INTEREST TO THEM, not what their friends are taking
 - It is very likely they will get an alternate choice
- High School Registration Team will visit middle schools and help students register for alternate electives
- Review and adjust recommendations via Course Recommendation Form (due Feb 22)

Course Reveal Night - February 19, 4:00-6:00 PM at WBHS

- Changes to your student's course requests, both academic and electives, can be made via the Course Recommendation Change Form distributed at Course Reveal Night
 - This is not your student's schedule; it is only a list of recommended and requested courses
 - Any form not picked up on February 19, will be taken to the middle schools for disbursement
- Please review the form and write in any change you are requesting (and sign the waiver on back, if applicable)
 - This is your opportunity to make changes to course requests
 - Schedule changes after February 22 are rare and treated on an individual basis.
- Please return the form to the middle school **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 22**