



# Pathways to Success

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## Barton Students! Information on PAWS Account and Student Email

Needing to access your Barton Student Email or PAWS Account and not sure how? Well we have broken down how to access them right here for you!



In your PAWS Account you can check your grades, view your financial aid information, enroll in most classes, print your class schedule, and much more. This is a very important form of communication between you and Barton.

To Access your PAWS Account:  
Go to [www.bartonccc.edu](http://www.bartonccc.edu) and click on the "Student Online Services & Email" logo.  
Click on the "PAWS" Logo.

To log in use your College ID as your user ID and your date of birth as your PIN using no dashes. (Example: January 1, 2010= 010110). You will then be prompted to change your PIN for your protection. \*\* If you are having trouble with your PAWS account contact Enrollment Services at: 800-722-6842



Barton Personnel will contact you using your Barton Email.

To Access your Barton Email:  
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and click on the "Student Online Services & Email" logo.

To get your Barton Email address log into your PAWS Account, click on "Personal Information" then on "View your Email Address". The first part of your email address before the @ symbol will be your username. Your Barton ID is the group of numbers located before your name in the upper right portion of the screen. This will be your password.

To Log in:  
Click on the direct link located above your email address or Access your Barton e-mail directly by going to – <http://email.bartoncougars.org>

## Going to School Next Fall?

Just a reminder to those that will be attending school in the Fall. Get your taxes done once you receive your W-2s. Once your taxes are completed call our offices to schedule an appointment to get your 2011-12 FAFSA completed. This is the information that we will need.

Filing as an Independent:  
You must be 24yrs of age or older,

married, have a child(ren), be a ward of the court, be in the military, or emancipated from your parents.

You will need your tax information and W-2s.

Filing as a Dependant:  
If you do not meet any of the above criteria you will be considered dependant.

You will need your tax information, W-2s as well as your parent's tax information and W-2s.

If you are unsure of your filing status please feel free to ask when making your appointment and we will assist you with determining your status.

## Tips for College Success by Kristin

I have found some **new** tips to share, that I think are wonderful words to think about when attending college.

**Take responsibility for your own learning.** You're not in high school anymore. Everyone in college is there to learn because they want to, not just to pass because they have to. There are a lot of opportunities for learning in college, often times outside the classroom. Take advantage of every opportunity you can.

**Set goals.** Every term, reset your goals to keep you motivated and give you something to work toward.

**Consider your personal interests when choosing your major.** Don't just choose a major because of what the current job market is like or be-

cause it's what your friends or family members are doing. Choose a program that interests you and that you will enjoy studying.

**Prepare for each class as though there would be a pop quiz.** The benefit of this is two-fold: firstly, you'll be more able to participate in class; secondly, you'll be prepared if there actually is a pop quiz.

**Be attentive and stay focused.** Avoid distractions such as instant messaging or crossword puzzles. Treat class as though it were an important business meeting. Your professor will appreciate it and you will learn more.

**Ask questions.** If the professor ever says something that you do not understand, never be afraid to ask for clarifi-

cation. Chances are there are other students in class that also didn't understand.

**Do not write down everything.** Write in outline form so your notes will be easy to skim and review. Be sure to take clear, concise notes every class.

**Establish a routine study time.** Getting into a rhythm at the beginning of every term will help you stay focused and disciplined. Lacking a routine may lead to bad habits or apathy.

**Stay on top of your reading.** Almost every college class will require reading. A lot of reading. Don't fall behind or it will cost you.

Tips from: <http://oedb.org/library/college-basics/88-surefire-tips>

## Graphic Designer

Graphic Designers develop the overall layout and production design of magazines, newspapers, journals, corporate reports, and other publications.

They also produce promotional displays, packaging, and marketing brochures for products and services, design distinctive logos for products and businesses, and develop signs and signage systems for business and government.

A bachelor's degree in graphic design is usually required for most entry-level and advanced graphic design positions. Bachelor's degree

programs in fine arts and graphic design are offered at many colleges, universities, and private design schools.

**Growing demand for this job market**

Employment is expected to grow 13 percent by 2018. The average annual income of a graphic designer is 42,400.

**\*\* Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2010-11 Edition**

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### Locations

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## Natural Gas Technician Program at Barton—Only 5 Spots left!

Are you looking for a high demand, high skill, high wage occupation? Look no further. Barton Community College has the only approved natural gas transmission and distribution certificate and degree program in the state of Kansas. As a student you can complete your certificate program in 16 weeks. Classes meet Monday-Friday and are taught by professionals directly from the industry. Not only can you receive your certificate quickly, but you can continue your education with Barton and receive additional certificate training and even obtain an Associates of Applied Science degree in the field. With the Natural Gas program paid

Internships are available to obtain on the job experience and you can even get recruited for the workforce right out of the classroom.

The Natural Gas Industry is looking for new employees with college training or an advanced technical education.

Median Wages in 2007 were \$22.18 hourly or \$46.140 annually. It is projected that the industry will need an additional 8,000 employees by the year 2016.

\*Information from bartonccc.edu\*

## GED Orientation

### Great Bend:

Day Classes:

January 4-6 and April 4-7

Night Classes:

March 7-10

### Fort Riley:

January 17-20

April 18-21

### Manhattan:

January 12-14

### Salina:

January 13 and March 31

## LSEC Cycle

Fort Riley:

The next LSEC cycle runs January 4th-February 17th

## Reminders



### 2011 ACT Testing

**Dates:** Mark your calendar for the following dates: (2011) Feb 12, April 9, June 11. Please

keep in mind regular registration dates require the regular fee. Late registration will require a late fee. You can register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

### Financial Aid Submission:

Contact our office for assistance in completing your FAFSA.

### Services We Offer:

Whether you are a current participant enrolled in classes, or a past participant, you may or may not be aware of all the services we offer.

**We can also assist anyone needing to obtain a GED. If you know anyone needing a GED or needing to**

**enter a High School Diploma program please contact our office and we can assist them.**

### Our free services include:

- ◆ Scholarship assistance.
- ◆ Assistance with FAFSA completion.
- ◆ Career exploration and advising.
- ◆ Information about vocational/technical schools, colleges, and universities.
- ◆ Assistance with applying for admission.
- ◆ Transportation to campus visits.
- ◆ Career networking with professionals currently working in your field of interest.
- ◆ Reference library including career, educational, financial, and self-help topics that include books, videos, and audio tapes available for check-out.
- ◆ TI-83 Calculator program for participants enrolled full-time. (subject to availability)
- ◆ Assessment of academic skills and financial needs.





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TRiO programs include eight outreach and support programs targeted to help disadvantaged students progress from middle school to post-baccalaureate programs.

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### 32 Counties Served by CKEOC

Barton, Clay, Cloud, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Graham, Jewell, Lincoln, Marshall, Mitchell, Morris, Ness, Norton, Osborne, Ottawa, Pawnee, Phillips, Pottawatomie, Republic, Rice, Riley, Rooks, Rush, Russell, Saline, Smith, Stafford, Trego, Wabaunsee, and Washington.