



Reading NOW Achievement Center 4950 West 23rd Street Erie, PA 16508

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Barton Reading and Spelling System at Reading NOW

- Students *do not* need to have a formal dyslexia diagnosis to receive Barton tutoring. If they do have a diagnosis, IEP, or learning disability diagnosis, we would ask that you share that information with us.
- As the Barton Method is an evidenced-based approach, an eligible Barton student must:
 - Be at least 5 years old and in kindergarten;
 - Be able to speak and comprehend spoken English;
 - Have an IQ of 70 or higher;
 - Demonstrate difficulty with spelling;
 - Struggle with sounding out unknown words when reading; and
 - Pass the Barton Student Screening
- Fees associated with the program will be discussed during your consultation and screening visit.
- The Barton system consists of ten levels. Students move through each level at their own pace, but they each typically take between 1-3 months. All clients will commit to a minimum of 30 sessions and then additional tutoring will be decided on based on the individual child's progress.
- Students will be tutored one-on-one for two hours per week.
- New student intake can occur at any time, based on tutor availability. The waiting list is generated on a first come, first serve basis.
- Regular attendance is very important and impacts your child's progress. Should you need to miss a scheduled session, you will need to call the child's tutor and Reading NOW by noon of that day.
 - o Make up days are available if a session needs to be rescheduled and advance notice is given.
 - No refunds or make up days will be provided in the instance of a "no call/no show".
 - Two or more absences without notice may result in discontinuation of services.
- Monthly progress will be shared with parents, as well as post-assessment data at the end of each level.
- Our calendar is not aligned with any particular school district. Our agency is open and conducts tutoring sessions on some days that school may not be in session.