

## **Newsela Boost Overview**

Your student has been assigned an academic intervention on their Student Academic Accountability Plan to support growth in reading. Your student's Fall 2025 Common Formative Assessment data and Newsela assignment scores indicate that their Lexile level is currently below grade level. This intervention is designed to strengthen foundational skills and build toward mastery of important English Language Arts standards, as well as prepare students for the Lit & Comp II End of Course exam. Please review all intervention requirements below and direct any questions to Ms. Johnson or Ms. Deaton. Failure to complete the assigned intervention as outlined below will result in entrance into or violation of the Academic Probation Program.

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### **Intervention Overview:**

#### **Purpose:**

*The goal of this intervention is to support the student in improving their reading comprehension to develop foundational reading skills so they can meet grade-level expectations.*

#### **Requirements:**

*The student will complete two Newsela articles per week and may also attend optional study hall sessions or the Saturday Learning Academy for additional support.*

***This intervention is required WEEKLY. Each week not completed will result in a violation of the SAAP plan and could lead to administrative withdrawal.***

#### **Exit Plan for Intervention:**

*The student will exit this intervention when they reach a Lexile score of 1080L, which is the minimum level assessed at a 10th grade level by the Georgia Department of Education (see [Use of Lexile Scores](#)).*

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## Pathway to Mastery & Exit Plan:

1. Read two texts in Newsela each week—you will be given a choice of 3-4 texts, but you only need to read 2.
2. Attend a teacher-led study hall OR Saturday Learning Academy for extra support on reading skills (if needed).
3. After six weeks, read an on-level text to demonstrate mastery of reading level to exit intervention.\*

\*May exit early if ST demonstrates mastery before six weeks.

## Platform & Access:

- Platform Name: Newsela
- Access Link: <https://newsela.com/>
- Login Instructions:
  - Students can only access through [Classlink](#).

## Important Due Dates:

February 2-6	February 16-20	February 23-27
Week 1: Informational Texts	Week 2: Argumentative Speeches	Week 3: Narratives
March 2-6	March 9-13	March 16-20
Week 4: Poetry	Week 5: Media Literacy	Week 6: STEM & Research

## Designated Contact Person:

- Name: Amanda Deaton
- Role: High School Assistant Principal
- Phone: (470) 310-0149 (Amanda Deaton)
- Office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 3:00-4:00 PM with Brooke Johnson
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