



a college prep charter school

Friday, February 1

### Dates to Remember:

- **Saturday, February 2** ----- **Berkshire County High School Art Show at the Norman Rockwell Museum (2:00 p.m.)**
- February 4 - 6 ----- Interim Assessments #3
- Tuesday, February 5 ----- Multicultural Alliance Mini Media & Film Series at BART (3:40 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.)
- Thursday, February 7 ----- CFAC Meeting in Pittsfield (6:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, February 7 ----- SEPAC Meeting at BART (5:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, February 7 ----- BART Science Fair (Grades 8 - 12)
- Friday, February 8 ----- BART Science Fair (Grades 6 and 7)
- Monday, February 11 ----- College Prep Info Night at the Williams Inn (7:00 p.m.)
- Tuesday, February 12 ----- Multicultural Alliance Mini Media & Film Series at BART (3:40 p.m. - 5:40 p.m.)
- Thursday, February 14 ----- 2019-20 Enrollment Application Deadline (12:00 p.m.)
- Friday, February 15 ----- Half Day (PD)
- February 18 - 22 ----- No School (February Break)
- Tuesday, February 26 ----- Multicultural Alliance Mini Media & Film Series at BART (3:40 p.m. - 4:40 p.m.)
- February 26 - 28 ----- BART Shadow Days

\* All dates, events, and details are listed on the [News & Events Calendar page](#) on the School's website.

### Events and General Information:

**Enrollment Deadline** -- Spread the word! The next enrollment application deadline for the **2019-20** school year for grades 6-10 is Thursday, February 14, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. Enrollment policies and procedures are included with the enrollment application, available online. More information on the BART's enrollment process can be found at [www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process](http://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process). Contact [enrollment@bartcharter.org](mailto:enrollment@bartcharter.org) with any questions.

**BART Shadow Days** -- During the last week of February, BART is hosting Shadow Days at the School for families interested in enrolling at BART next year. Shadow Days provide students in grades 6-10 the opportunity to accompany a current BART student for part of the school day, interact with a class schedule, and experience our college preparatory curriculum. Preregistration is required. To learn more and/or register for Shadow Day, please visit [www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process](http://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process) or contact [enrollment@bartcharter.org](mailto:enrollment@bartcharter.org).

**BART Students' Artwork at the Norman Rockwell Museum!** -- Sponsored by Berkshire Bank, the 33rd Annual Berkshire County High School Art Show at the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, MA will run from Saturday, February 2 through Monday, March 4, 2019. A *free* opening reception will be held on Saturday, February 2 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., featuring a lecture at 2:30 p.m. by acclaimed illustrator Gregory Manchess. Congratulations to the following BART students whose artwork will be on display: Wylie Jones, Madison Ostrowski, Kayla Saunders, Juliana Valois, Emma Danylin, Sarah deBethune, Ashley Pixley, Abel Ward, Jesse Doubiago, and Ruth Bristol!

**Advanced Placement Assessment Reduced Costs** -- BART secured a grant from the Charles Hall Foundation that will dramatically reduce AP assessment costs for participating students! Full price exams will now cost families \$33 each while previously reduced price exams will be \$19 each. Students were sent home this week with a letter explaining the change. Fee balances will be updated in PowerSchool by Monday (2/4). Checks should be made out to BART Charter Public School and should be brought to the Student Office by Friday, March 1, 2019.

**BART Science Fair** -- BART's annual Science Fair provides students an opportunity to explore and share research projects with peers and adults in our community. Please join us to celebrate students' work and to explore the amazing world of science!

- Students in grades 8, 11, and 12 will present on Thursday (2/7) from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- Students in grades 9 and 10 will present on Thursday (2/7) from 1 - 2:30 p.m.
- Students in grades 6 and 7 will present on Friday (2/8) from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

\*\*\* Please note, in order for buses to have full access to our parking lot at the end of the school day, **parents should NOT be parked in the bus area past 2:45 p.m.** Contact Ms. Wiles ([amy.wiles@bartcharter.org](mailto:amy.wiles@bartcharter.org)) with any questions.

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**College Prep Info Night** -- On Monday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m., Adams Community Bank is sponsoring a *free* information session at the Williams Inn for students and their families to learn more about the college search and application process. Dr. Joshua Mendel (MCLA, Director of Recruitment and Outreach), Kate Heekin (Williams College, Associate Director of Admissions), and Ann Marie Mutz (Pittsfield High School, School Counselor) will discuss topics such as choosing where to apply, important timelines, the application process, essay writing, and campus visits. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please leave a message for Kris Bona (413-749-1165; [kbona@adamscommunity.com](mailto:kbona@adamscommunity.com)) with the number of attendees by Thursday, February 7.

**BART CFAC** -- CFAC will meet on Thursday, February 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the new MCLA/1Berkshire building located at 66 Allen Street in Pittsfield. For directions and parking, visit: <https://bit.ly/2SmruTX>

**Celebrating Black History Month at BART!** -- February is Black History Month! This year, the Multicultural Alliance at BART will be celebrating black excellence and raising awareness of African Americans' contributions to our culture in a few different ways. Starting on Tuesday, February 5 through Tuesday, February 26, the Multicultural Alliance is hosting an after-school Mini Media & Film Series to prompt discussion of historical events *and* current issues. BART will also be sharing content that is relevant to black culture and excellence across our communications platforms. We are excited to keep a steady stream of content and experiences available to the BART community this year, and we hope you will be involved and expand upon these experiences where you can. The Multicultural Alliance meets after-school every Tuesday at 3:40 p.m. in Gates 309. Students do not need to be enrolled in the club to participate in Black History Month activities. Please contact Ms. Barreto ([erica.barreto@bartcharter.org](mailto:erica.barreto@bartcharter.org)) with any questions.



**GET INVOLVED!  
MEET WITH THE  
MULTICULTURAL  
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**BLACK  
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*Never be limited by other people's limited imaginations.*  
— Dr. Mae Jemison

Artwork by Tim Okamura

\* **Policy Reminder:** When picking up a student from School, you are required to show ID at the front desk.

\* **Reminder:** Parents and guardians should stay in front of the School and out of bus lanes. As snow may impact visibility in some areas, please exercise caution and continue to watch carefully for students crossing our driveway and getting into cars. Also, please be aware of ice buildup on the building. Thank you.

\* **Reminder:** We are operating at a NO bus pass situation for all buses. The most up-to-date versions of the Regular, After School, and Late **Bus Routes** are frequently updated in the Quicklinks Box on the [For Parents](#) and [For Students](#) pages of the School's website.

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