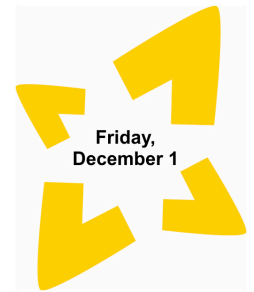




BART

a college prep charter school



Dates to Remember...

Monday, December 4.....	<i>Interim Assessment (ELA)</i>
Tuesday, December 5.....	<i>Interim Assessment (Mathematics)</i>
Tuesday, December 5.....	<i>Cross Country Running Awards Banquet (6-8 p.m.)</i>
Wednesday, December 6.....	<i>Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting (6 p.m.)</i>
Thursday, December 7.....	<i>Monthly SEPAC Meeting (5:30 p.m.)</i>
Friday, December 8.....	<i>Twelfth Night performance (7 p.m.)</i>
Saturday, December 9.....	<i>Twelfth Night performance (7 p.m.)</i>
Sunday, December 10.....	<i>Twelfth Night performance (2 p.m.)</i>
Tuesday, December 12.....	<i>Student-Led Conferences</i>
Tuesday, December 12.....	<i>Papa John's Senior Class Fundraiser</i>
Wednesday, December 13.....	<i>HS Quiz Team Meet at Taconic HS (6:30 p.m.)</i>
Thursday, December 14.....	<i>Student-Led Conferences</i>
Thursday, December 14.....	<i>Monthly CFAC Meeting (6:30 p.m.)</i>
Friday, December 15.....	<i>No School</i>
Monday, December 18, through Friday, December 22.....	<i>Spirit Week</i>
Monday, December 25, through Monday, January 1.....	<i>No School (Winter Break)</i>

BART currently has open seats in our middle school (grades 6 through 8). If you know a family considering enrolling at BART, please suggest they contact BART Enrollment Counselor Monique Nottke. Transferring in midyear is a simple process, and Ms.Nottke would be happy to speak with them. She can be reached by email at monique.nottke@bartcharter.org or by phone at 743-7311, ext. 732.

In the Classrooms

- **The Hour of Code.** The [Hour of Code](#) is an opportunity for tens of millions of students in 180+ countries to demystify "code" while trying their hand at computer science. Learning computer science helps nurture problem-solving skills, logic, and creativity. By starting early, students gain a foundation for success in any 21st-century career path. Taking place during *Computer Science Education Week* (December 4 through December 10), BART's participation in this global movement also makes the statement that our school is poised to teach these essential skills.

Information

- **Progress Reports.** Quarter 2 Progress Reports will be mailed next week to families of students who currently have a "No Credit" (NC) grade in one or more classes. For the rest of our students, parents and guardians can review their child(ren)'s progress by logging into their family's account in the [BART PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). For technical support with *PowerSchool*, please contact Mr. Russ Jarowski (russ.jarowski@bartcharter.org). Guardians should continue to use *PowerSchool* throughout the school year in order to stay informed about their child's progress and reach out to their child's advisor as concerns or questions arise. Students who would like extra help in a subject are encouraged to attend the Homework Help program, currently being held after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- **Resources.** The [Community Resources for Students and Families](#) is a resource for families that allows BART to share notifications and information. A listing of local outside mental-health providers and agencies supporting health and wellness, it also includes links to sites that cover topics such as grief resources, youth substance abuse, and more.

Events

- **HS Play.** The high school *Production and Performance* class will be performing William Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. Filled with music, mistaken identities, tangled letters of love, and gender-bending hijinks, *Twelfth Night* follows the romantic misadventures of Orsino who loves Olivia, Olivia who loves Cesario (a woman in disguise as a man), Cesario who loves Orsino, and Malvolio who *also* loves Olivia! Performances will be Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9, at 7 p.m. and Sunday December 10, at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10 (general admission), \$5 (students and seniors), or \$2 (BART students).

Sign up here to donate refreshments or to help with the box office at one of next week's performances at *Twelfth Night*: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e49a8ad2fa6ff2-bart2>

- **December Interim Assessments.** The week of December 4, students across all grades will take their second round of interim assessments. Interim assessment periods are an opportunity for students to practice rigorous, grade-level assessments while teachers use the results to tailor daily instruction. English Language Arts tests are scheduled for Monday, December 4, and Math on Tuesday, December 5. Make-up days will be Thursday and Friday of the same week. In many cases, effort on assessments counts as a grade for students, so as always, plenty of sleep and a good breakfast are sure to help!
- **Student-Led Conferences.** Faculty advisors have begun contacting guardians regarding scheduling their child's student-led conference. Conferences will be held on Tuesday, December 12, and Thursday, December 14. If you have not heard from your student's advisor, please email them.
- **Cross Country Awards Banquet.** The Eighth Annual Cross Country Awards Banquet will be next week at the school from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5. Dinner will be potluck-style with awards. Cake and coffee will be provided. Please email Coach Griffin to RSVP at benn.griffin@bartcharter.org.
- **December SEPAC Meeting Cancelled.** Since this is a busy time of year for many families, the December SEPAC meeting has been cancelled. SEPAC will announce the January meeting date as soon as it is determined. Thank you and happy holidays, everyone!

The holiday season is underway and you can help support our school through your holiday purchases. Please consider registering in these rewards programs that can help our school.

- **Amazon.com: Amazon Smile** (<https://smile.amazon.com>)
 - Choose either *BART Community Family Advisory* or *BART Foundation Inc.* from the charity list.
 - Every eligible purchase results in a donation to BART CFAC or the school's foundation at no cost to you!
- **Stop and Shop: A+ Bonus Bucks** (<http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus>)
 - Go to the "join the program" section and pick "register your card."
 - Enter your 13-digit *Stop and Shop* card number.
 - Our school code is 05745.
- **Box Tops for Education**
 - Look for [Box Tops](#) symbols on various grocery products you're already buying.
 - Clip the *Box Top* from the item's packaging.
 - Drop them off at the school.
 - Each *Box Top* earns 10¢ for our school.