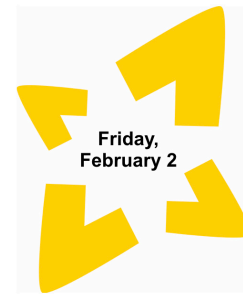




BART

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Dates to Remember...

Friday, February 2.....	<i>Science Fair (grades 6 and 7)</i>
Wednesday, February 7.....	<i>Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting (6 - 8 p.m.)</i>
Thursday, February 8.....	<i>Monthly CFAC Meeting (6:30 p.m.)</i>
Friday, February 9.....	<i>College Spirit Day</i>
Friday, February 9.....	<i>Early Dismissal (12 p.m.)</i>
Friday, February 9.....	<i>Middle School Dance (6 - 8 p.m.)</i>
Friday, February 9.....	<i>High School Dance (8:30 - 10:30 p.m.)</i>
Wednesday, February 14.....	<i>HS Quiz Team Meet @ BART</i>
Wednesday, February 14.....	<i>Shadow Day (grades 6 and 10 observed)</i>
Thursday, February 15.....	<i>Shadow Day (grade 7 observed)</i>
Friday, February 16.....	<i>Shadow Day (grades 8 and 9 observed)</i>
Monday, February 19 - Friday, February 23.....	<i>February Break (No School)</i>

Events

- Science Fair.** BART's annual Science Fair teaches students about the scientific process and how to conduct research. Since the beginning of January, students have been preparing for the fair, using a project workbook designed by the science department. Students are asking questions, conducting research, carrying out investigations, collecting data, analyzing and interpreting data, and constructing an explanation to be presented at the fair. The science department is excited by the work students are doing and believe this experience will encourage stronger science growth in our students. The Science Fair will be open to families during the following times:
 - Grades 8 & 12: Thurs, Feb 1 (9-11 a.m.)
 - Grades 9, 10, & 11: Thurs, Feb 1 (1-3 p.m.)
 - Grades 6 & 7: Fri, Feb 2 (9-11 a.m.)
- February Equality Dance.** The middle and high school Queer-Straight Alliances (QSA) and CFAC are co-hosting the school dances on February 9. There will be a dance for students in grades 6-8 from 6 to 8 p.m., followed by a dance for students in grades 9-12 from 8:30-10 p.m. QSA student organizers have named the event "Equality Dance." Tickets are \$5 each, will be sold during lunches leading up to the day of the dance, and will also be available at the door. Sign up [here](#) to donate baked goods or to chaperone.

College Planning Event

- Learn Tips for a Successful College Search!** Joshua Mendel from MCLA and Kate Heekin from Williams College will be discussing important information related to the college search, including choosing how to apply, important deadlines, the application process, essay writing, and interviewing skills. This free event for parents and students is sponsored by the Adams Community Bank. The earlier you know what is involved, the earlier you can get started. Therefore, attending is strongly recommended to the parents of students in grades 10 and 11. The event will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 13, at The Williams Inn ([1090 Main Street, Williamstown](#)). If you plan to attend, please RSVP with your number of attendees to Kris Bona at the Adams Community Bank via email at kbona@adamscommunity.com or phone at 749-1165, by Friday, February 9.

Fundraising

- Shopper Rewards Program.** Big Y's *Education Express* shopper rewards program can help our school get free, much needed supplies and equipment. To learn more or to register, please visit the Big Y [website](#) or ask at the customer service desk the next time you are at a Big Y grocery store.

Congratulations

- Norman Rockwell Museum.** Congratulations to the following high school students whose work will be shown at The [Norman Rockwell Museum's 32nd Annual Berkshire County High School Art Show](#). The exhibition, which showcases the top 10 artworks from each Berkshire County high school, will be on view from Saturday, February 3, through Sunday, March 4. There will be an opening event on February 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. Students and their families are welcome free of charge to visit the museum and the opening reception on that day. During the run of the exhibition, students will be able to see the High School Art Show free of charge, but regular admission will be charged for visiting the rest of the galleries. Students whose artwork will be shown are:
 - Madison Corkery
 - Trinity Sullivan
 - Ayannah Sheerin
 - Alison Sanchez
 - Juliana Valois
 - Sal deBethune
 - Macie Fitch
 - Victor Palestino
 - Morgan Covert
 - Abel Ward
- UMass Dartmouth.** Art work by BART high school student Cameron Fusini was chosen for the [Emerging Young Artists 2018 Juried Exhibition](#) at the [College of Visual and Performing Arts at UMass Dartmouth](#). The university is thrilled to host this highly competitive annual high school juried exhibition and recognize the exceptional merit of art students from 35 high school art programs in New England. Cameron's work (an original drawing titled "Big Boy Daydream") was one of only 67 out of 800 submitted artworks selected for the show. The result will be a marvelous exhibition showcasing the talents of New England's young artists, on display now through February 10.

Arts and Technology Showcase Results

Congratulations to the following students. They were all awarded blue ribbons at the recent Arts and Technology Showcase in recognition of exceptional work in their first semester arts and technology classes.

Blue Ribbon Winners: MIDDLE SCHOOL	Blue Ribbon Winners: HIGH SCHOOL	Blue Ribbon Winners: THEATRE
Cassidy Whitley	Diego Mongue	Zy'Aira Cooper
Joshua McGrory	Victor Palestino	Alana Levesque
Alexandra Bartlett	Juliana Valois	Ariana Johns
Terra Lim	Cameron Fusini	Ayianna Bellefeuille
Addison Chen	Trinity Sullivan	Alexis Choquette
Savion Ward	Kylie Taylor	Zy'nasia Cooper
Bethany Iffetayo	Sal deBethune	
Juliana Thrasher	Alison Sanchez	
Chris Sunn	Abel Ward	
George Crane	Macie Fitch	
Madison Ostrowski	Ayannah Sheerin	
Conroy Casey	Morgan Covert	
Celina Cooper	Ashlyn Marcil	
Zoe Turner	Harrison Todd	
Kelsea Vigiard	Madison Corkery	
Abigail Scholl		
Wylie Jones		

February Shadow Days.

If you know of a family interested in learning more about BART, please tell them about our February *Shadow Days* (times below). Shadowing in our classes provides a child the opportunity to meet our dedicated faculty and experience our rigorous, college preparatory curriculum. We will also be offering guided tours for parents at this event. Pre-registration is required for our *Shadow Days*. For more information, or to register to attend (required), parents can contact BART Enrollment Counselor Monique Nottke at 743-7311 (ext. 732) or monique.nottke@bartcharter.org.

Shadow Days fill up FAST! Encourage families to call *immediately!*

Date	Time	Grades to be shadowed
Wednesday, February 14, 2018	8:30 AM to 11 AM	6 and 10
Wednesday, February 14, 2018	12:30 PM to 3:30 PM	6
Thursday, February 15, 2018	9 AM to 12:30 PM	7
Friday, February 16, 2018	8:30 AM to 12 PM	8 and 9

BART CFAC Fundraiser – Craft Fair

On Saturday, May 5, CFAC will host a *Mother's Day Spring Craft Fair* at the school in order to raise money for our students. The first hurdle is signing up vendors! Craft and retail vendors are needed, along with baked food vendors and food trucks. Please help spread the word so that the fair can be a success and, ultimately, benefit your child's experience at BART. Share the [vendor application](#) and [event flyer](#) online on multiple Facebook pages, or by posting flyers at area businesses, libraries, post offices, and any place with a public informational bulletin board. For more information, contact one of the event coordinators:

- **Allison Armata, CFAC Event Coordinator**
AllisonRoseV83@aol.com or
[\(413\) 717-1235](tel:(413)717-1235)
- **Shirley Perkins, CFAC President**
shirleyjoslinperkins@gmail.com or
[\(413\) 442-4738](tel:(413)442-4738)