



### Summer Reading Requirements

Summer Reading Requirements can be found on the school's website in the *Quicklinks* section of the [For Students](#) page.

### End of Year Family Survey

With the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year, BART would appreciate getting your feedback through our annual *End of Year Survey* (link below). One entry per household is all we ask, but if opinions vary within your home we would welcome a second entry with a notation made in the open response that this is your household's second entry. Mr. Longe would be happy to answer any questions about our survey. He can be reached directly at [brendan.longe@bartcharter.org](mailto:brendan.longe@bartcharter.org). Thank you.

Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5JVMYXC>

### Dates to Remember...

Friday, June 8.....	End of Quarter 4
Friday, June 8.....	Grade 8 Semi-Formal (7-9 p.m.)
Monday, June 11.....	Early Dismissal (12 p.m.) / Student-Led Conferences / Portfolios
Monday, June 11.....	Arts and Technology Showcase
Tuesday, June 12.....	Early Dismissal (12 p.m.) / Student-Led Conferences / Portfolios
Tuesday, June 12.....	Arts and Technology Showcase
Thursday, June 14.....	Field Day at Windsor Lake
Friday, June 15.....	Grade 8 Move-up Ceremony (10:30 a.m.)
Friday, June 15.....	Last Day of 2017-18 School Year (12 p.m. Dismissal)
Monday, August 20.....	First Day of 2018-19 School Year (full day)

### Last Day of School: Friday, June 15, 2018

Events for our last day of school will be held in the multipurpose room. Parents and guardians considering attending should allow extra time for parking.

- 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.      Student Talent Show/Academic Awards
- 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.      Grade 8 Move-up Ceremony \*
- 12 p.m.      Dismissal

\* Balloons cannot be brought into our multipurpose room. Anyone who brings balloons as a gift for their child will be asked to kindly leave them in their car. This is due to severe latex allergies of some of the members of our community and the high ceilings in the space making it impossible to retrieve any loose balloons.

- **CFAC Voting Extended to Thursday, June 7.** Voting for the 2018-19 CFAC Officer positions has been extended to Thursday, June 7. Ballots can be found online at <http://www.bartcharter.org/v2/wp-content/uploads/Nomination-of-CFAC-Officers-for-2018-2019.pdf> ). All parents/guardians of BART Students are eligible to hold CFAC officer positions. Completed ballots can be submitted in person at the school's Front Office or by email to current CFAC president, Shirely Perkins at [shirleyjoslinperkins@gmail.com](mailto:shirleyjoslinperkins@gmail.com).

For the remainder of June through July, BART's Front Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

### End of Year

### Events

- **Eighth Grade Semi-Formal.** The annual *Grade 8 Semi-Formal Dance* will be held at the school tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. Both attendance and food are free! This dance is open only to BART's current Grade 8 students so they can celebrate together the end of the school year and the end of middle school.
- **Arts and Technology Showcase.** This year's final *Arts and Technology Showcase* will be held during the day on Monday, June 11, and Tuesday, June 12, to coincide with the Portfolio Presentations and Student-Led Conferences. We hope everyone will take some time to appreciate the student work when they come for their family's conference.
- **Field Day.** Field Day will be held at [Windsor Lake](#) in North Adams on Thursday, June 14. Activities are being planned, and a tasty lunch will be provided. Field Day is an annual end-of-year event on which CFAC and the school work together to ensure that everyone has a great time. The funds raised by the BART Parent Organization (CFAC) pay for lunch, lifeguards, canoes, busses, and pavilion rental. CFAC is asking for donated snacks that everyone can enjoy between games. This is the last event of the year in which your participation can make a big difference. If you can donate, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a44abac2ba4fe3-allschool>

- **Lost and Found.** Items in the school's *Lost and Found* will be on display during next week's Student-Led Conferences and Portfolio Presentations so parents and guardians can check for any missing items. Items not claimed by the end of the day on Wednesday, June 13, will be donated to a local charity organization.
- **End-of-Year Survey.** When coming to the school for your family's student-led conference or portfolio presentation (see above), please allow an extra 15 minutes in order to complete the *End-of-Year Survey* that advisors will be distributing. BART appreciates our families' opinions when considering changes and improvements. Thank you in advance for your valuable input.
- **Report Cards.** Final Report Cards will be mailed home to families during the week of June 18. If your family does not receive one by the end of June, please contact the school.
- **Updating BART.** If any of your family's contact information changes during the summer, please contact Ms. Daniels in the Front Office so she can keep your child's records up to date and keep you informed about the upcoming school year. Ms. Daniels can be reached by email at [Elizabeth.Daniels@bartcharter.org](mailto:Elizabeth.Daniels@bartcharter.org) or by phone at 743-7311 (ext. 700).
- **Take Your Artwork Home!** Student artwork must be removed from the school on or before the last day of school, Friday, June 15. This includes any artwork used in student-led conferences or that is currently on the "Table of Unclaimed Artwork." Any remaining pieces will be discarded. Students who return in the fall should not expect to find their work still in the building.
- **Yearbook Sales.** Students can buy a 2017-2018 Yearbook for \$5 cash or check (made out to BART Charter Public School). Yearbooks will be sold at next week's Student Led Conferences and at lunch. Extra yearbooks will continue to be sold in the school's Front Office during the summer months until the supply runs out.
- **Broadcast of 2018 Graduation Ceremonies.** Did you miss last weekend's graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2018? No worries! Here are the Channel 1302 (NBCTC) Educational Access playback times:
  - Friday, June 8 @ 5pm
  - Sunday, June 10 @ 1:30pm
  - Monday, June 11 @ 6:30pm
  - Thursday, June 14 @ 8:30pm
  - Saturday, June 16 @ 10am
  - Tuesday, June 19 @ 4pm
  - Wednesday, June 27 @ 7pm

### Resources

- **Community Resources for Students and Families.** On our website is an online bulletin board families can use to discover many of the resources available to us in the Berkshires. The page also offers informational links on parenting and adolescent issues. While this page will be updated monthly, be sure to confirm the provided information with the contact listed on the announcement, not with BART. To access this page, click on For Students or For Parents on the top right of the BART homepage. The link to "Community Resources for Students and Families" is in the *Announcements* section.

- **Students with Prescribed Medications in the Nurse's Office:** Regardless of whether or not your child is returning to BART next year, all prescription medications must be picked up from the Nurse's Office no later than Friday, June 15. Any prescriptions not picked up will be discarded per DPH protocol. Parents/ guardians unable to come to the building may designate a responsible adult over the age of 18 to come pick up any prescription medications provided they notify the Nurse's Office in advance. The Nurse's Office can be contacted by email at [Nurse@bartcharter.org](mailto:Nurse@bartcharter.org) or by phone (743-7311, ext.728). The state regulations do NOT allow giving medications to students to bring home.
- **Parents/Guardians of Students Entering Grade 7:** The DPH requires all students entering grade 7 in 2018-2019 to receive the Tdap vaccination prior to the first day of the new school year. No student will be allowed to start school on Monday, August 20, without documentation of this vaccination. Proof of immunization can be dropped off or faxed to the school (Fax #: 743-7327). Exceptions include religious exemptions or a documented medical reason to not vaccinate. Religious exemptions must be provided to the school nurse in writing prior to starting school. More info regarding medical and religious exemptions can be found [here](#). More information regarding vaccines can be found [here](#).