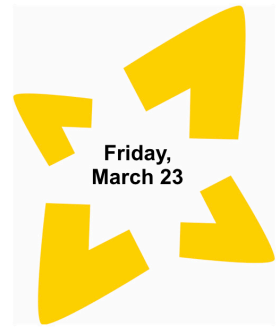




BART

a college prep charter school



Dates to Remember...

Saturday, March 24.....	Senior Class Breakfast Fundraiser (8-11:30 a.m., in Lenox)
Tuesday, March 27.....	ELA MCAS (grade 10)
Wednesday, March 28.....	ELA MCAS (grade 10)
Thursday, March 29.....	ELA MCAS (grade 10)
Friday, March 30.....	End of Quarter 3
Friday, March 30.....	College Spirit Day
Friday, March 30.....	Early Dismissal (12 p.m.)

Get BART Smart
BART's Annual Team Trivia Event
Saturday, April 7
6 to 9:30 p.m.

Trivia night, silent auction, photo booth, and more! Up to 6 players per team, single players also welcome. \$70 per player includes drinks, light dinner, & dessert by Mezze Catering. Event information and registration can be found on the **Get BART Smart!** page of the school's website:
<http://www.bartcharter.org/v2/news-events/gbs/>

Fundraisers

All You Can Eat Breakfast Fundraiser. The BART Senior Class will be hosting a Breakfast Fundraiser on Saturday, March 24, in order to raise money for their senior class trip. The breakfast will be from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church of Lenox (6 Holmes Road, Lenox, behind the NBT Bank). Tickets cost \$10 for adults (13 and up), \$5 for Children (5 to 12 years old), and children under 5 are free. We hope you come to enjoy the meal while you support the seniors.

Results of CFAC Chicken Parmesan Fundraising Dinner for Field Day. The profit of the recent dinner totaled \$1308, which includes the ticket sales, 50/50 raffle, basket raffles, and bake sales. Thanks to Ashlynd DiLego for planning and organizing this event. Thank you to all that purchased tickets, donated baked goods or raffle items, helped at the event, advertised it in social media, and donated their money/time/talents.

BART CFAC Craft Fair Fundraiser. 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.

Events

What it Takes to Be a College Athlete. Hosted by the Adams Community Bank at the Skyline Country Club (405 South Main Street, Lanesborough) at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 25, families of high school student-athletes are encouraged to attend this free, informative event. Guest presenters will include Deb Raber (MCLA Coach), Peter Mendel (Curry College Coach), Drew Pearce (former UAlbany and Siena College Coach) and Lauren Mangiardi (current MCLA Student/Athlete). Please RSVP by calling Kris Bona at [413-749-1165](tel:413-749-1165) or emailing her at kbona@adamscommunity.com.

Congratulations!

BART Photography in Pittsfield. The *#PressforProgress* exhibition showcases local high school photographers and honors International Women's Day. Two of the three projects recognized with awards on opening night went to BART photographers! Congratulations to:

- Johnyce Lanphear-Dyer (grade 11) on receiving "The Women's Movement Award"
- Na'Yah Mateo-Jessamy (grade 11) on receiving an Honorable Mention

It should be noted that a beautiful project by Anny Lopez (grade 11) is also included. *#PressforProgress* can currently be viewed in the lobby of the Colonial Theatre (111 South Street, Pittsfield) now through Sunday, April 29. It is open to the public during lobby hours (10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays through Saturdays, 10 [a.m.to](#) 2 p.m. on Sundays, and during performances at the theater).

Announcing New Teacher Home Visit program

BART is pleased to announce that we have received a grant to pilot a Teacher Home Visit Program this spring. What is a "Teacher Home Visit"? In this program, teachers reach out to families to set a time when they can visit you and your children in the home or community. Teachers will visit in pairs, and many will be taking the opportunity to introduce a teacher whom your child will have the following year to assist in their transition to the next grade. Because BART draws students from many communities in our area, this program is a great way for to strengthen the connections between the school and families.

If you are interested in participating in this program or have any questions, please contact Erin Egan, Health and Wellness Coordinator, at 743-7311 (ext. 730) or by email at erin.egan@bartcharter.org.

- **Science Fair Results.** Congratulations to our students whose projects either placed or were recognized at the *Region 1 High School Science and Engineering Fair* recently held at MCLA. The following students will be traveling to MIT in Boston this May in order to present their projects at the *Massachusetts State Science and Engineering Fair*.
 - Kyle Brooks for his project on the expansion rate of the universe.
 - Driss Bourzgui and Kylie Taylor for their project on comparing the effectiveness of decomposers at eliminating pollutants.
 - MailLee Daignault and Crystal Harrington for their project on how caffeine impacts the reproductive success of fruit flies.
 - Emily Taylor for her invention of a glove that reduced hand tremors
 - Joy Kalinowski for her project on decoding encrypted messages
 - Hayley Caufield for her project on using rockets to clean up debris. Hayley also won the "Pulse of the Planet" award for the experiment with greatest environmental impact.

Assessments

- **March MCAS.** Students in grade 10 will begin this year's MCAS assessment cycle with their English Language Arts (ELA) assessment on March 27-29. MCAS assessment dates and all other mandatory state assessments that BART administers can be found on the [Calendar page](#) of the school's website.