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BART Wins 2017-2018 FAFSA Day Massachusetts Challenge

ADAMS, MA – July 11, 2018 – Berkshire Arts & Technology (BART) Charter Public School is proud to be the winner of FAFSA Day Massachusetts, 2017-2018 FAFSA Challenge. This challenge was a statewide campaign to increase the proportion of Massachusetts high school seniors who complete the Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA). FAFSA Day Massachusetts is a non-profit, volunteer-driven program providing free assistance to students and families seeking to complete the FAFSA. The challenge encouraged all Massachusetts schools to set a goal of FAFSA completion for as many students as possible. BART had the highest overall FAFSA completion rate, tied at 100% completion with Hill Charter Public School - Circuit Street, in the state! Awards of \$750 were issued to high schools. BART is proud to award the scholarships to Gerardo Aguilar, attending the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, and Ashlyn Marcil, attending Framingham State University in the fall.

BART is a nationally recognized, award-winning, tuition-free, public middle and high school focused on preparing students for college. In 2015, US News & World Report ranked BART the 7th best high school in Massachusetts. To date, 100% of BART's graduates have passed a college course and have been accepted into college prior to graduation. BART does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

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