



BART

a college prep charter school

Arts & Technology Showcase

6 p.m.
Thurs, Nov 17.



Dates to remember:

- * *Friday, November 11* - No school (Veteran's Day)
- * *Thursday, November 17* - Arts & Technology Showcase (6 p.m.)
- * *Thursday, November 17* - Visit from Worcester Polytechnic Institute
- * *Friday, November 18* - Diversity Day (Spotlight on France)
- * *Friday, November 18* - Dinner & a movie @ BART (6 p.m.)
- * *Friday, November 18* - HS field trip to see *Urinetown* @ MCLA
- * *Thursday, November 24* - No school (Thanksgiving)
- * *Friday, November 25* - No school
- * *Wednesday, November 30* - Student-led conferences (3:30 to 7 p.m.)
- * *Thursday, December 1* - Student-led conferences (3:30 to 7 p.m.)

BART has seats available in grades 7, 8 & 9.

If you know a family interested in enrolling at at BART or perhaps someone who would like to learn more about why we are the only school district in all of Berkshire Country to be "high growth" in both ELA and math for the *third year in a row*, please suggest they call or email BART's Enrollment Counselor Monique Nottke (743-7311, ext 132).

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- **BART's annual notecard sale is underway!** Probably the school's most popular annual fundraiser, student artwork has been professionally printed onto high-quality notecards and is currently being sold in 8-packs for \$10. Money raised from the card sales will be used towards the production costs of the annual student-designed yearbook and any student who sells 3 packages of cards will receive a FREE yearbook at the end of the school year! There are also prizes for the top sellers: an iPod shuffle or a \$50 iTunes gift card. The only catch: all orders must be turned back in to advisors by Friday, November 18. All orders of BART CARDS will be available for distribution on December 8 - in time to give as holiday gifts to family & friends!
 - **The "eyes" have it!** Back by popular demand, the newly convened Berkshire Arts & Technology Charter Public School Student Government will meet for the first time this school year. The student government will consist of 13 members, two from each grade with an at-large member from the student body. The government will help bring issues affecting students to the forefront and give the student body a voice within the school. We look forward to their hard work and dedication to their school this year.
 - **Arts & Technology Showcase on Thursday, November 17.** As the first trimester comes to its end, BART presents the artistic feats of the students at our fall trimester Arts & Technology Showcase. The showcase will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, November 17, and is open to the public. This year, high school arts electives students will perform a variety of dramatic and musical acts in the BART atrium while a wide array of student watercolors, still-life drawings, digital photos and original musical compositions are displayed throughout the building. The BART Chorus will also make their school-year debut! Gallery opens at 6 p.m. with performances beginning at 7 p.m. Please join us at 6 p.m. on Thursday, November 17, to celebrate the talents and hard work of our students.
 - **Worcester Polytechnic Institute will be visiting BART!** [WPI](#), known for its innovative, project-based approach to education, helps prepare students to become professional engineers, scientists and entrepreneurs for the 21st century. A representative from the university will be addressing the high school community meeting on Thursday, November 17. When your high school student gets home from school next Thursday, be sure to ask her if she thinks WPI just might be the next school for her!
 - **Seniors to hold fundraiser for the school.** On Friday, November 18, BART's senior class will be hosting a special event at BART to raise money towards the purchase of some new young adult novels for the school's library. The evening will be begin at 6 p.m. and for the cost of a \$3 ticket families can enjoy a movie and get 2 slices of pizza & a drink for dinner! Check out the ["Events" tab](#) of the school's [Facebook page](#) for movie choices and more!
 - **Theater class to go on field trip.** Dr. Bean's Drama 121: Introduction to Acting class will be attending the MCLA production of the hit musical, *Urinetown*. This Tony award-winning musical is the hilarious tale of greed, corruption, love, and revolution in a time when water is worth its weight in gold. Hosted by Dawn Shamburger and Laura Standley of the Fine and Performing Arts Department at MCLA, students will be given a backstage tour of the theater & its facilities.
 - **Student Led Conferences coming up.** The student led conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 30, and Thursday, December 1, between 3:35 and 7:00 pm. The purpose of BART's student led conferences is to give all students an opportunity to share their work from the fall trimester with both their family and their advisor. Parents should expect a phone call this coming week from advisors to schedule a time for their student's conference. We look forward to hearing the students share their successes!
 - **Note from the Nurse's Office:** Hearing and Vision Testing for grade 6 and 9 students will be occurring during the month of November. If any concerns come to light as a result of a student's testing, information will be sent home on how to follow-up with further testing.
 - **BART fleeces on sale!** Just in time for the cold weather, BART fleeces are now being sold on the school's [uniform website](#). Right now, fleeces are only available in black & come in varying styles. These are considered uniform items, so students will be allowed to wear them in the building during the school day.
 - **Shop with BART in mind.** The *Tools for Schools* shopping program at our area's Price Choppers has helped BART families earn points that can be used to purchase much needed equipment for our school. If you have not registered your *AdvantEdge* card already, please [register to support BART](#). Our school's code is 27845. Note: If you have enrolled in this program in the past, please know that you will need to re-register your card.

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