



# BART

a college prep charter school

**Student Govt  
to host  
Activity Night  
*tonight!***



### ***Dates to remember:***

- \* *Friday, February 17* - Diversity Day (Spotlight: West Africa)
- \* *Friday, February 17* - Activity Night (Organized by the Student Govt) (6-8 p.m.)
- \* *Monday, February 20 through Friday, February 24* - Winter Break (no school)
- \* *Thursday, March 1* - Science Fair
- \* *Thursday, March 1* - Monthly SEPAC Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- \* *Thursday, March 1* - Monthly CFAC Meeting (7 p.m.)
- \* *Monday, March 5* - Enrollment Information Night @ BART (6-7 p.m.)

### **Get Informed**

- **Information Night @ BART.** Hosted by Principal Klompus and Executive Director Julia Bowen, *Information Night @ BART* (6-7 p.m.) is the perfect opportunity for families interested in enrolling at BART to ask their questions about BART's college preparatory curriculum, enrichment programs, highly qualified faculty and more. Please encourage anyone who has been asking you about BART to attend.

### **Upcoming Events & Field Trips**

- **BART ART to be displayed at Norman Rockwell Museum.** Ten BART students had work selected for exhibition in the [26th Annual Berkshire County High School Art Show](#) at the [Norman Rockwell Museum](#) in Stockbridge. The exhibit will include paintings (watercolor and acrylic), digital images, drawings, and photographs; the show

### ***Stay informed about snow days***

BART will make every effort to make decisions regarding snow delays and cancellations by 6:30 a.m. Announcements will be posted on the [BART Facebook page](#), included in the "crawl" along the bottom of many area TV stations, and also on local radio stations WNAW (1230 AM) & WUPE (100.1 FM).

run is currently running and continues through Tuesday, March 6, 2012. BART is very proud of our student artists encourages everyone to see the exhibit. Congratulations Casey McKeever, Dyllan McLear, Dalton Lampro, Anna Berti, Kati Clark, Carlin Sweeney, Caitlin Moriarty, Jamie Kaczowski, Ashley Volff and Maxx Poirot.

- **Student Government to host Activity Night @ BART:** On Friday, February 17, from 6-8 p.m. the BART high school student government will host *Activity Night @ BART*, turning classrooms into entertainment-themed rooms featuring an X-Box game room, dance parties, carnival games, volleyball and more. All of the rooms will be planned, staffed and managed by members of the BART Student Government. Guests will be required to purchase tickets to participate in the different games or activities. All money raised will go toward the student government fund which helps pay for dances, student-led activities, and other student-led events throughout the year at BART. Mark your calendars and look for more information as the event draws closer.
- **Grade 11 Field trip to MCLA.** On Tuesday, February 28th, 11th grade students will visit the [MCLA](#) campus for a tour and an information session regarding study-abroad opportunities during college. Grade 11 students will also participate in a mock introductory Spanish class led by current MCLA students. Students will return to BART in time for lunch.

## Upcoming Science Fair

- **BART's Fourth Annual Science Fair has some changes.** On Thursday, March 1 from 2:30 to 7 p.m. BART will be holding its fourth annual science fair with competing projects by students in grades 6, 8, 9, 10 and 11. For the first time, student projects will be judged by outside professionals from local businesses, colleges and other venues. BART is working to accommodate as many parents and family members as possible by continuing the fair after school hours. The fair's schedule is as follows:

Presenting	Time
Grade 6	2:30-3:25 p.m.
Grade 8	3:40-4:25 p.m.
Grade 9	4:40-5:25 p.m.
Grade 10	5:40-6:30 p.m.
Grade 11	5:40-6:30 p.m.
Closing Ceremony	6:30-7:00 p.m.

The winners of BART's science fair will move on to the Region 1 Science Fair at MCLA later in the spring. If any of our students qualify while competing at the regional level fair, they will then move on to the state science fair to be held in early summer and, from there, could qualify to exhibit their work at the White House.

## New @ BART

- **Student IDs have been distributed.** All students now have their very own BART ID that will allow them to check out library books, laptop computers (for use in school), and provide them an assigned coat hook number on which to hang their jackets. Please remind your child to take their coat home each day so that it does not get lost.

## Important Information about the Buses

- **Guests no longer allowed to ride Pittsfield buses.** A large part of BART's student body comes here everyday from Pittsfield and we need to guarantee that they will have a place to sit whenever they ride our buses. Therefore, students who do not normally use the Pittsfield buses will no longer be allowed to use these buses when making plans for after school. If a student who does not ride our Pittsfield buses is planning to visit a friend after school, they will need to coordinate their own transportation. We understand that occasionally an exception needs to be made and [Mr. Klompus](#) will be happy to help.