Dates to Remember:

- Monday, September 2 --------------------------- No school, Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 3 -------------------------- After-school Homework Help begins
- Thursday, September 5 ------------------------ First SEPAC meeting (5:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, September 12 ----------------------- Family Night (6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.)
- Thursday, September 19 ----------------------- Mountain Day
- Friday, September 20 ------------------------- No school, Professional Development

* All dates, events, and details are listed on the Community Calendar on the School's website.

Events and General Information:

**After-school Homework Help Begins 9/3** -- Starting September 3, BART will be offering After-school Homework Help on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons until 4:40 p.m. Buses will be available to drop off students at select bus stops. Please refer to the [2019-2020 After-school Bus Routes](#) to view these stops.

**First SEPAC Meeting 9/5** -- The Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is BART’s volunteer parent and guardian organization dedicated to providing the community with information targeted to the educational development of children with special education plans. SEPAC’s first meeting is September 5 at 5:30 p.m. at BART. For more information contact Sue Lubell at [susan.lubell@bartcharter.org](mailto:susan.lubell@bartcharter.org) or 413.743.7311 ext 742.

**Family Night 9/12** -- Please join us for Family Night on September 12, from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Family Night is a great opportunity to tour the school and meet your students’ teachers.

**Mountain Day 9/19** -- BART’s annual Mountain Day is Thursday, September 19. The alternate date if severe weather occurs is Thursday, September 26. Students should wear comfortable, layered clothing and shoes appropriate for a moderate hike. Lunch is provided at no cost. This event does not impact the length of the school day. If any family members are interested in volunteering for this event please contact Erin Hattaway by September 9th at [erin.hattaway@bartcharter.org](mailto:erin.hattaway@bartcharter.org) or 413.743.7311 ext 712. A background check is required.

**Temperature in the Building** -- Please note that some areas of our building are chillier than others. If your student is cold during the day, please remind them to layer. BART Middle School students may wear a BART sweatshirt, BART long-sleeve shirt, or layer a plain black long-sleeve shirt under their short-sleeve BART shirt. High School students may wear a BART dress code appropriate sweatshirt or sweater. Remember: no hoods are worn during the day, in the building.

**PowerSchool Portal Letters** -- This week, BART sent out letters to families containing instructions on how to set up access to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Please keep an eye out for this letter in the mail. PowerSchool is our student information system that allows access to your student's schedule, grades, attendance, and other records.

**Student Council** -- Applications to run for Middle and High School Student Councils are now available in the Student Office. All students can apply to be on the ballot. The deadline to submit an application is the end of the day on September, 3. Students then have two weeks to campaign.

**After-school Clubs** -- Starting the week of September 30, BART be offering afterschool clubs and activities on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Stay tuned for more detailed information about available clubs and signups.
**Enrollment Deadline** -- The next enrollment application deadline for the **2019-20** school year for grades 6-10 is Thursday, September 5, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. Enrollment policies and procedures are included with the enrollment application, available online. More information on the BART’s enrollment process can be found at [www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process](http://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process). Contact [enrollment@bartcharter.org](mailto:enrollment@bartcharter.org) or 413.743.7311 ext 732 with any questions.

**Policy Reminders:**

**BART’s Uniform/Dress Code Policy:** Middle School dress code permits students to wear solid navy blue, khaki, gray or black pants, and only BART emblem shirts, sweatshirts, fleeces, or jackets. Please refer to [BART’s Uniform/Dress Code Policy](http://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process) for full information on the Middle School uniform and High School dress code.

**ID Policy:** When picking up a student from School, you may be required to show ID at the front desk.

**Bus Routes:** We are operating at a **NO** bus pass situation for all buses.