**Dates to Remember:**

- **Friday, January 18** --------------- BART Blood Drive (12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at BART)
- **Monday, January 21** -------------- No School (MLK Jr. Day)
- **Friday, January 25** -------------- Winter Snowball Semi-Formal (7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.)
- **Tuesday, January 29** ----------- Field Trip: Seniors to BCC
- **February 4 - 6** --------------- Interim Assessments #3
- **Thursday, February 7** ---------- SEPAC Meeting at BART (5:30 p.m.)
- **Thursday, February 7** ---------- BART Science Fair (Grades 8 - 12)
- **Friday, February 8** ------------ BART Science Fair (Grades 6 and 7)
- **Thursday, February 14** -------- 2019-20 Enrollment Deadline (12:00 p.m.)
- **Friday, February 15** ---------- Half Day (PD)
- **February 18 - 22** -------------- No School (February Break)
- **February 26 - 28** ------------- BART Shadow Days

*All dates, events, and details are listed on the [News & Events Calendar page](https://www.bartcharter.org/news-events) on the School's website.*

**Events and General Information:**

**Q2 Report Cards** -- Quarter two report cards were mailed home today (1/18).

**Enrollment Deadline** -- Spread the word! The next enrollment deadline for the **2019-20** school year for grades 6-10 is Thursday, February 14, 2019. 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](https://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process). Contact enrollment@bartcharter.org with any questions.

**BART Shadow Days** -- During the last week of February, BART is hosting Shadow Days at the School for families interested in enrolling at BART. Shadow Days provide students in grades 6-10 the opportunity to accompany a current BART student for part of the school day, interact with a class schedule, and experience our college preparatory curriculum. Preregistration is required. To learn more and/or register for Shadow Day, please visit [www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process](https://www.bartcharter.org/enrollment/process) or contact enrollment@bartcharter.org.

**BART Blood Drive** -- BART seniors are partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive at the School today from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Those interested in donating blood can signup on the American Red Cross website ([https://www.redcross.org/](https://www.redcross.org/)); walk-ins will also be accepted. Anyone under 18 years old will need to have a consent form signed by a parent/guardian (forms are available at the student office). Please contact senior coordinators Johnyce Lanphear-Dyer (johnyce.lanphear-dyer@bartcharter.org), Anny Lopez Urquizo (anny.lopez@bartcharter.org), and Abel Ward (ana.ward@bartcharter.org) with any questions.

**BART Snowball Semi-Formal** -- BART seniors are hosting the annual Winter Snowball Semi-Formal, open to all grades, on Friday, January 25 from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at the School. Tickets can be purchased during lunches for $12 each or $20 for a pair. Tickets will also be sold at the door for $20 each or $25 for a pair. This year’s theme is “Snow Globe.” Activities will include pie throwing, a game room, and a VIP room for high school students. Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be available for purchase. Students may bring an outside guest of a similar grade, (forms are available in the student office). Please contact senior coordinators Johnyce Lanphear-Dyer (johnyce.lanphear-dyer@bartcharter.org), Anny Lopez Urquizo (anny.lopez@bartcharter.org), and Thomas Cook (thomas.cook@bartcharter.org) with any questions or if you would like to donate food or drink items for the refreshment table.

**BART Science Fair** -- BART's annual Science Fair provides students an opportunity to explore and share research projects with peers and adults in our community. Students have been working hard and their experiments are underway. On Thursday, February 7 and Friday, February 8, BART will host an open house for students to present their works; students in grades 8-12 will present on Thursday (2/7), and students in grades 6-7 will present on Friday (2/8). More details to come. Please contact Ms. Wiles ([amy.wiles@bartcharter.org](mailto:amy.wiles@bartcharter.org)) with any questions.
Afterschool Programming -- BART will begin its second session of afterschool clubs and programs this coming week. This session will run through the end of May. Students had the opportunity to sign up for clubs last week. For more information about all clubs, please contact Kate Merrigan, Director of Student and Community Development, at kate.merrigan@bartcharter.org or 413-743-7311 ext 716.

National Girls & Women in Sports Day at MCLA -- Each year, the MCLA Trailblazer athletics department invites girls and women to participate in various clinics to promote sport. On Saturday, February 2 from 8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. girls in grades 3-8 can register to play sports such as volleyball, softball, and lacrosse in the MCLA Campus Center Gym. Free lunch will be provided. For more information and/or to register, visit http://athletics.mcla.edu/information/NGWSD/index. Please contact Dot Houston via email at d.houston@mcla.edu or by phone at 413-662-5437 with any questions.

* Policy Reminder: When picking up a student from school, you are required to show ID at the front desk.
* Reminder: We are operating at a NO bus pass situation for all buses. The most up-to-date versions of the Regular, After School, and Late Bus Routes are frequently updated in the Quicklinks Box on the For Parents and For Students pages of the School's website.