

# March

## BART-COLERAIN ELEMENTARY MARCH 2026

Dear Bart Colerain Families,

March brings with it a fresh stretch of learning as we head into the final months of the school year. Our learners continue to show growth across classrooms, and we're proud of the effort, perseverance, and positive choices we see each day. It's been exciting to watch students build on the strong foundation they've created since the start of the year.

This month, we're especially excited to celebrate our **One School, One Book** event! Every learner will receive a copy of the same book, and families are encouraged to read along together at home. This is a wonderful opportunity to build a shared reading experience across our entire school community and spark conversations about books and learning beyond the school day.

As the days get a bit longer and we begin to look ahead to spring, our focus remains on strong instruction, meaningful learning experiences, and maintaining our positive school culture. Thank you for your continued partnership and support, it truly makes a difference for our learners. We're looking forward to a productive and positive month ahead!

Mrs. Sara Parrish, Principal  
Bart Colerain Elementary School



### **PSSA TESTING**

Our State Testing (PSSA) for Grades 3, 4, and 5 will be held in April.

**ELA (English Language Arts) - April 21 – 23, 2026**

**Math – April 28 - 29, 2026**

**Science - Grade 5 only – April 30, 2026**

These tests are important to both your child and our school. Please make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats breakfast. To ensure your child has adequate time to complete the testing, your child will need to be at school on time – by 9:00am. We start testing at 9:15am.

**Please do not schedule any family trips during this period. Please check your calendar for any scheduled appointments that may conflict with these dates and times** and see if they can be rescheduled. Make-ups are difficult for our students during this period. We appreciate your support with these important tests.



# PTO NEWS

**March 6 – School will be in session.  
This is a weather make up day.**

**March 8 – Daylight Savings Time.** Turn clocks ahead one hour.

**April 2 – School will be in session.  
This is a weather make up day.**

**April 3 & 6 - NO SCHOOL**

**May 1 – School will be in session.  
This is a weather make up day.**



## **\*PTO MEETING\***

Don't forget to join us on Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm for the PTO meeting. The meeting will be held at Bart in the office. Everyone is welcome!

Hope to see you there!

## Behavior Expectation Totals for MP 3

	Total Golden Tickets given out for MP 3 so far
Kindergarten	32
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	59
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	41
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	68
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	38
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	40

## **\*BART APPAREL STORE\***

Check out the new Bart Apparel Store. Bigger selection, more logo options, direct shipping and no closing date!

<https://apparelnow.com/bart-elem-ptο-apparel/mens/45>

## **FUNDRAISER**



PTO will be holding a fundraiser at Dolce Vita on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00–8:00pm. 15% of all sales will be donated to the PTO to be used for student activities, events, assemblies, and classroom supplies. Be sure to mention Bart-Colerain when placing your order and paying. We hope to see you there!





## AROUND THE WORLD EVENT

PTO will once again be hosting an "Around-the-World" event on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 – 7:00pm. Set up will be 4:00 – 5:00pm.

Here is the sign-up link to use to sponsor a country/table for our event.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B48AAA29A1F85-aroundtheworld#/>

We look forward to seeing lots of countries that night and having a fun filled evening. If you have any questions, please reach out to Jessica Denver at [denverj3@gmail.com](mailto:denverj3@gmail.com) or 717-808-5612.

## GRANDPARENTS' DAY SAVE THE DATE!

Grandparents' Day will be held in April.

Tuesday, April 14 – Grades K, 1, 2

Thursday, April 16 – Grades 3, 4, 5

8:15 – 9:00am enjoy a morning treat, take a photo and visit the book fair.

9:00 – 9:45am classroom visitation.

**More information and registration  
will be coming soon!**

**ALL visitors must be pre-  
registered no later than  
April 6 to attend.**

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE!**



**Save the date for the Scholastic Book Fair! April 13-17, 2026.**

**More information will be available soon. Volunteers will be needed to help during book fair times.**

## YEARBOOK

Bart PTO will be doing Yearbooks again this year!! If you have pictures from school events that you would like to share, you can email them to the Yearbook committee at: [bartcolerainyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:bartcolerainyearbook@gmail.com) Please note that we may not be able to use all pictures in our collage pages.

### **\*\*BART PTO ON FACEBOOK\*\***

Please "like" and follow the Bart PTO on Facebook – link below. All PTO events, activities, and information will be posted there.

<https://www.facebook.com/BARTPTO>

## Volunteers Needed



Volunteers are needed to help with the SWEEP Food Bag Program. This is a once-a-week responsibility. Volunteers will pick up the filled food bags at the Food Bank in Quarryville and then deliver them to Bart Colerain. If you are interested, please use the sign-up link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B48AAAA29A1F85-sweep#/>

Or contact Jess Denver at 717-808-5612 or email [denverj3@gmail.com](mailto:denverj3@gmail.com).

**VOLUNTEER**  
*all that's missing is U!*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

PTO is always looking for volunteers to help with various events and programs. If you would like to volunteer, please be sure you have your clearances on file with Mrs. Erb. Clearance information can be found on the Solanco website, or from Mrs. Erb.

PTO is looking for someone to take over scheduling fundraiser Spirit Nights. This would include contacting businesses and scheduling dates for Bart Spirit Night fundraisers.

If you would be interested in helping with any of these events, please contact Jess Denver, 717-808-5612, or email [denverj3@gmail.com](mailto:denverj3@gmail.com).

## **BART ELEMENTARY SPIRIT NIGHT**



15% OF PROCEEDS GO TO BART PTO

**MARCH 26TH 4-8PM**

DOLCE VITA 33 FRIENDLY DR. QUARRYVILLE

BE SURE TO MENTION YOU'RE ORDERING FOR THE BART  
FUNDRAISER

# MARCH EVENTS

- March 2-6 Read Across America Week  
March 2 PTO Meeting 6:00pm  
March 2 Wear a shirt or sweatshirt with words on it  
March 3 Wear a hat  
March 3 One School, One Book Family Night 5:00-6:30pm  
March 4 Music in the School Assembly – Grades 2, 3, 4, 5  
March 4 Wear workout/athletic clothes  
March 5 Wear your PJ's  
March 6 Dress as a superhero or as your hero  
**March 6** **SCHOOL IN SESSION – Weather Make-up Day**  
**March 8** **Daylight Savings Time. Turn clocks ahead one hour**  
March 16 Ag Literacy Day for grades K, 1, 2  
March 17 **Wear GREEN**  
**March 20** **First Day of Spring!** 🌻 🌷 🌸 🌹  
March 25 Around the World PTO Family Night 5:00-7:00pm  
See more information below  
March 26 Dolce Vita fundraiser 4:00-8:00pm

# APRIL EVENTS

- April 1 Marking Period 3 end  
**April 2** **SCHOOL IN SESSION – Weather Make up Day**  
**April 3** **NO SCHOOL**  
**April 6** **NO SCHOOL**  
April 8 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Rockford  
April 13 PTO Meeting 6:00pm  
April 13-17 Book Fair  
April 14 Grandparents' Day for Grades K, 1, 2 **RSVP REQUIRED**  
April 16 Grandparents' Day for Grades 3, 4, 5 **RSVP REQUIRED**  
**April 21-23** **PSSA ELA Testing** (Grades 3, 4, 5)  
**April 28-29** **PSSA MATH Testing** (Grades 3, 4, 5)  
**April 30** **PSSA SCIENCE Testing** (Grade 5 only)

# MAY EVENTS

- May 1** **SCHOOL IN SESSION – Weather Make-up Day**

# Character Counts- March

In March, we will be focusing on Cooperation- what it means, why it matters, and how we can practice it at school and at home.

Below are some discussion questions you can use to talk about Cooperation with your child:

- Can you think of a time when you worked well with someone? What happened?
- What are some ways you can help your classmates or teammates?
- If you and a friend have different ideas, how can you decide what to do?
- Can you think of a time when you and a friend had to solve a problem together? How did you do it?

Below are a few read-alouds you can use to practice Cooperation:

Rex Wrecks It: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hwcEzP-Zfyc>

Can I Play Too? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vbr81Vf9Hc>

That Fruit Is Mine! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fTTC5nHgGtQ>

Strictly No Elephants: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2G1c6ozWRQs>

## Character Counts Breakfast

Each month, classroom teachers nominate a student in their class who exemplifies that monthly character trait. The nominees will be celebrated at a bi-monthly 'Pancakes with the Principal' breakfast. If your child brings home an invitation, please make sure to RSVP via the QR code. Breakfast in April will celebrate the March and April nominees!

## Classroom Counseling Lessons- March

Students will be learning about careers!

## Elementary Resource Fair:

The elementary school counselors are hosting a Resource Fair at Quarryville Elementary School on March 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30PM. The link and QR code for more information and to RSVP is below.

<https://forms.gle/hfRjaVF24spuaKSm7>



Contacting Kelsey Koch

Email: [kelsey\\_koch@solancosd.org](mailto:kelsey_koch@solancosd.org)

Phone: 717-529-2181



Help us travel **Around-the-World** by hosting a location of your choosing

Link to Sign-Up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B48AAAA29A1F85-aroundtheworld#/>

We will have an evening of fun, crafts, and games

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm



All the tables from “Around-the-World” will be displayed.

**Dinner will be provided by Bart PTO**

Contact Jess Denver with Any Questions:

[denverj3@gmail.com](mailto:denverj3@gmail.com) or 717-808-5612

# Read Across America Week 2026

Monday 3/2

READ MY SHIRT:

WEAR A SHIRT OR

SWEATSHIRT WITH WORDS



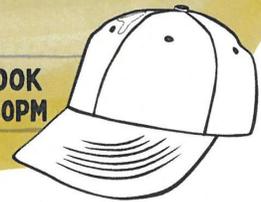
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Tuesday 3/3

HATS OFF TO READING:

WEAR A HAT

ONE SCHOOL, ONE BOOK  
KICKOFF EVENT 5-6:30PM



Wednesday 3/4

READING JOGS THE MIND:

WEAR WORKOUT OR

ATHLETIC CLOTHES

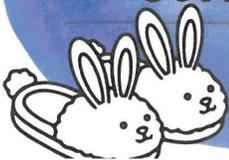


Thursday 3/5

COZY UP WITH A BOOK:

WEAR YOUR PJS OR

COMFY CLOTHES



Friday 3/6

READING IS A SUPERPOWER:

DRESS AS A SUPERHERO OR

AS YOUR HERO

