

December 5, 2025

Save the Dates

December 8 - **No School for Students** - Parent Conferences/Family Engagement

December 17th - Winter Chorus Concert at Barrington High School

(5:30 pm Sound Check, 6:30 pm Doors Open)

December 24 - January 4 No School Winter Break

Deadline Extended!

SQUARE 1 ART

IT STARTS WITH THE ART!

Order by December 9th



Square1 Art is an opportunity to raise money for our school & transform your artist's work into a giftable keepsake!

Pro Tip: You can upload additional artwork!

Scan Here
To search for your child's art




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2

3

Discover their art

Order today

Enjoy for a lifetime



Square1 Art is an annual fundraiser that offers an opportunity to help the PTO raise money for school field trips and other programs, while transforming your young artist's work into a giftable keepsake.

Your student brought home a flier with a custom QR code that showcases their student artwork. If you misplaced it, you can head [Click Here](#) or scan the QR code above to search for your student's art.

Update - Our deadline has been extended! Place your order by **December 9th**, and your customized gifts will be delivered to your home in time for holiday gifting.

Pro Tip: If you have other artists you want to order customized gifts for, or if you have a favorite piece of art you want to turn into a keepsake, it is easy to upload! You can [Upload Here](#), just make sure you select Hampden Meadows School before you upload!



Starting Friday, December 5th, click [HERE](#) to order your S.T.A.R. certificate.

Our S.T.A.R (Staff Teacher Appreciation Recognition) program is a special “Thank You” and a gift that gives back to our schools. Make a tax-deductible donation (minimum of \$10 per S.T.A.R.) to Barrington Education Foundation, and we will deliver each of your honorees a beautiful S.T.A.R. certificate. Each gifted certificate allows BEF to fund grants for creative, educational initiatives and programs in all six schools.

ATTENTION FAMILIES

Last Call

We have set up tables in the lobby, FULL of clothing items from our lost and found. Teachers will bring students down and help them find their belongings. If you happen to be visiting HMS, please take a look, and perhaps you can reunite a sweatshirt with a child! Items will be donated during winter break.





HMS WINTER SPIRIT WEEK



Wednesday, December 17th

WINTER SPORTS DAY:

Wear clothing or accessories from your favorite winter sport or team—like hockey, skiing, snowboarding, basketball, etc.

Thursday, December 18th

HOLIDAY TWIN/GROUP DAY- DOUBLE THE CHEER

Dress up with a friend and dress alike in a festive, holiday-themed outfit. You can match colors, accessories, sweaters, or any fun winter look.

Friday, December 19th

LONG WINTER'S NAP:

Come to school in your coziest pajamas or comfy clothes!

Monday, December 22nd

WINTER HEAD GEAR:

Come to school wearing something on your head that tells everyone that it is winter!

Tuesday, December 23rd

"UGLY" HOLIDAY SWEATER:

Come to school in any decked out holiday sweater!

Movie Night at BMS

On Friday, Dec 12th 2025, Barrington Middle School will host a movie night for Barrington Public School 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders from **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**. This event is a fundraiser to help support our annual 8th-grade trip to Washington, DC. For more information and to sign your child up, please see below.

[Movie Night at BMS, Dec 12 2025](#)



at **Barrington Middle School!**

December 12th, 2025

6:00pm - 8:00pm *Doors open at 5:45pm*

Drop off your BPS 3rd, 4th or 5th graders to watch a movie and enjoy a child-free evening before the holidays! Treat yourself to a parent night out or get some presents wrapped while we entertain your kiddo! This event will be supervised by BMS 8th graders and parent volunteers.



\$10 at the door includes the movie, snacks and a drink



Please use the following form to sign up: [BMS Movie Night](#)

Your child MUST be pre-registered to attend.

We cannot accept anyone at the door that has not filled out the form.

Encourage your 5th grader to enter this contest. HMS has had winners in the past! Essays can be brought to school, and we will deliver them. Ask your child's teachers if you have any questions





AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

*Sponsored by Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of
The United States of America*

THEME:

“What Does Service to Your Country Mean To You?”

RULES:

1. At the time of the contest, eligible participants must be Students enrolled in one of these four divisions: I—5th grade; II—6th grade; III—7th grade; or IV—8th grade.
2. Essay length is not to exceed 300 words.
3. Essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink. Also, Essay must be submitted as written (or typed) by the entrant.
4. Essay must be submitted for judging to the Elks Lodge nearest to the address of the entrant.
5. Participant must be identified by name, grade, school attending and sponsoring Elks Lodge on the Essay.

AWARDS:

The Rhode Island State Elks association awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place for State winning essays in Divisions I, II, III, and IV. Monetary awards will be disbursed for each grade level for 1st Place—\$300; 2nd Place—\$150; and 3rd Place—\$100. Winners will be announced in February, 2026.

ENTRY DATE:

Essay should be submitted to local Elks Lodge on/before December 15, 2025.
The Essay Contest Cover Sheet must be completed for each level of competition and remain attached to the Essay.



Deadline Extended to December 12!



The [Martin Luther King Day Student Art Contest](#) is still accepting submissions! The theme of the MLK Day Student Art Contest is **"Visions of Soul Force,"** in keeping with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream that our nation's civil rights movement would continue to resist the dangers of physical violence and oppression with something greater and more powerful... "soul force" (his words). We invite the students of Barrington to help us understand what soul force means through art and creative expression, to be proudly showcased at Barrington's MLK Day event on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at the Barrington Public Library and the Peck Center. All winners will be recognized at the event.

ART CONTEST

- **Concept:** Choose one of the options to create a collage/montage illustrating what *Soul Force* looks and feels to you - focusing on a set of values, a specific time in history, a historical theme related to civil rights history, or a vision for the future of civil rights in this country. Your work may include words, photographs, fabric, recycled materials, newspaper clippings, images from history, digital images, and original creations that can be framed or displayed as onepiece.
- **Target Audience:** Students in grades K-12 from Barrington schools.
- **Submission Requirements:** Submissions must be a minimum of 8.5" x 11" and a maximum of 16" x 20". Artwork must include the student's name, school, grade, title, and a short description (15-20 words on the back or on separate paper, explaining how the artwork connects to the theme of Civil Rights or MLK's "I Have a Dream" vision). Artwork must contain no white-space in the background, unless it is a deliberate use of negative space.
- **Hard copy submissions** will be collected from on Friday, December 12, 2025
- **Digital submissions** must be emailed to barringtondeicommitee@gmail.com with the subject: Soul Force Art Contest: Student's Name. Include the description as a separate file or within the body of the email.
- **Exhibition Information:** All work will be exhibited and winners announced at "Soul Force: A Celebration of Civil Rights" at the Barrington Library on Saturday, January 17, 2026.



Special Education Advisory Committee

(SEAC) 2025-2026

What is SEAC?

SEAC is a Local Education Committee mandated by the state of Rhode Island and run by parent volunteers. We are committed to serving Barrington families with children who are receiving educational services through the [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act \(IDEA\)](#). Our overall mission is to create an environment within the school district that fosters open communication among parents, teachers, administrators, and the Barrington School Committee regarding special education supports and services provided to eligible students.

Who may attend?

All SEAC meetings are open to the public.

Join Us!

Meetings are held in person at the Barrington Middle School in the Presentation Room with an option to access the meeting on Google Meet for viewing and audience participation (Google Meet link - <https://meet.google.com/inw-qgrn-cff>). Meetings start at 6:30 PM

Meeting Dates:

- November 4, 2025
- December 2, 2025
- January 6, 2026
- February 3, 2026
- March 3, 2026
- April 7, 2026
- May 5, 2026

Contact Information

barringtonseac@gmail.com



Performance Dates:

Friday, January 9th, 2026 at 7pm
Saturday, January 10th, 2026 at 1pm

IMPORTANT LINKS:

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

December 2025 Lunch Menu - [CLICK HERE](#)

CONTACT US

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Social Emotional CONTACT INFORMATION:

★ **Mrs. Malone- School Psychologist**

Phone: (401)-203-4793 Email: maloner@barringtonschools.org

★ **Ms. Baptista- School Social Worker**

Phone: (401)-217-9482 Email: baptistam@barringtonschools.org

★ **Officer Saccoccio- Barrington SRO**

Phone: Barrington Police Ext 816 or 401-524-7921

Email: sro@barringtonschools.org

You can find ALL our previous newsletters by clicking [HERE](#)

Please call or email the office staff at

HMSattendance@barringtonschools.org to notify us of an early dismissal, changes in dismissal, or an absence.

More Information Below



*Hampden Meadows
Music Department Presents*

WINTER CHORUS CONCERT

PERFORMANCES BY:

Fourth and Fifth Grade Choruses

Wednesday, December 17, 2025



Barrington High School Auditorium

Student Arrival: 5:30 PM

for soundcheck and yearbook photo

Concert Start: 6:30 PM



Join us for a **FREE** interactive evening

CODEFAM '25

CODING WITH FAMILIES

K-8 families are invited to celebrate CS Education Week with fun, hands-on STEM activities for all learners. Choose from a variety of self-selected experiences including

Create with



**design
dance
videos**

**PROGRAM
ROBOTS**

**BUILD A
VIDEO GAME**



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH FROM 6 - 7:30PM
BARRINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE, BUT IT IS NOT REQUIRED

WANT TO COMPOST?

Barrington's Got You Covered

2-Year Curbside Compost Pilot

FREE

**Bin Starter Kit +
66% off Service
the first year**

Only \$66.66/year! Enroll today for September 18th start



Reduce Your Waste up to 30%

- Available up to 500 eligible residents
- 2nd Year - \$133.33/year (33% off)
- Weekly collection of food scraps
- Composting detailed instructions
- 1 FREE cu. ft. bag/compost in spring
- Online account to manage

**COMPOSTING
ALSO AT
BARRINGTON
FARM SCHOOL**



On site at 100 - 98 Federal Road
Kent Street Tennis Courts (14 Kent St.)
Remote Drop-off Bin

The Peck Center (Behind Library)
Remote Drop-off Bin. [SCAN QR CODE FOR INFO](#)

**BARRINGTON
BUSINESSES:
JOIN IN ON
COMPOSTING**



Even if you're not part of the Town's Residential Composting Pilot Program, your business can still participate in composting. Black Earth Composting provides reliable and cost-effective compost pickup services for businesses of all sizes. From restaurants and cafes to offices and salons. [SCAN QR CODE FOR INFO](#)

THE PILOT
PROGRAM IS
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YOU BY





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Hampden Meadows Music Department

EVENT SCHEDULE

17

DEC 2025

CHORUS WINTER CONCERT

6:30PM (5:30PM SOUND CHECK FOR STUDENTS)

BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

5-9

JAN 2026

ELEMENTARY ALL-STATE CHORUS AUDITIONS

DURING CHORUS CLASSES

HAMPDEN MEADOWS CHORUS ROOM

8

MAY 2026

ELEMENTARY CHORAL FESTIVAL

FIFTH GRADE CHORUS FIELD TRIP

CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL EAST

19

MAY 2026

CHORALPALOOZA

6PM (CHORUS STUDENTS ONLY)

BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GYM

10

JUN 2026

END OF YEAR CONCERT (BAND + CHORUS)

3:45 PM AT HAMPDEN MEADOWS SCHOOL

***RAIN DATE: JUNE 12, 2025 AT 3:45 PM**