



**Boston Arts Academy**  
**Guidelines for School Visits**

September, 2022

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Boston Arts Academy welcomes visitors to our school. We are happy to share the amazing spaces, the teaching and learning and the philosophy that guides our school: arts is an essential element for learning. We believe that the arts help young people find their voices, build creative problem-solving skills, and engage in meaningful ways with their communities leading to success in college and careers. Our arts curriculum encourages innovation, creative risk-taking, and professionalism.

We receive many requests for tours and visits. Please accept our invitation to visit, and please adhere to these very basic guidelines.

- Make an appointment. It is important that you get approval for the date/time of our visit. We want to make sure that your visit works with the school schedule.
  - For current sponsors and potential donors, please contact our foundation: <https://bostonartsacademy.org/foundation>. Call 617-763-11561
  - For educators and community partners, please contact Marina Orlando, our communications coordinator: [marlando2@bostonpublicschools.org](mailto:marlando2@bostonpublicschools.org), or Maura Tighe, our Artistic Director: [mgattuso@bostonpublicschools.org](mailto:mgattuso@bostonpublicschools.org)
  - For City of Boston or BPS personnel, please contact our Office Manager: Jasmine Francis: [jfrancis3@bostonpublicschools.org](mailto:jfrancis3@bostonpublicschools.org)
- Please let your contact know what you wish to see. Are you here to see the spaces, the teaching and learning, the arts in action? We will tailor your visit to your focus.
- If you wish to visit a class or interact with students, ***you must let us know in advance!*** We cannot let visitors enter classrooms without prior permission from the students and the instructor.
- No photography of any kind is permitted during school visits, especially of students.

Thank you for your interest in BAA. We look forward to making your visit memorable.