

## Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School

A Public Charter School of Choice sponsored by Hillsborough County Public Schools 10948  
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Dear BDCHS Parents/Guardians:

Transportation often presents some difficulties for families at our school. To alleviate some of these difficulties, Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School is working with the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA) Regional School Commute Program to provide free carpool, bike train and walking school bus matching assistance for families who are interested in sharing the commute to and from school.

Interested families who complete the School Program registration will receive a list of names and phone numbers (match list) of families from the same school as well as all participating charter schools who live in the same area and are also interested in sharing commutes to and from school. Home address information is confidential and only the closest major intersections are included on the list. Families receiving a match list are not obligated to participate and can arrange to use this program as a backup.

By registering for the school commute program, you will receive one volunteer hour. Please report this to Mrs. Dorta at [jdorta@bdchs.org](mailto:jdorta@bdchs.org) once you have registered.

Every family should register with the program and all information is kept confidential. Information on the match list pertains only to parents from Hillsborough County Charter schools who are registered in the program. No information is provided about students. With more parents registered, there is a better chance for a match. Registering does not mean you are obligated to participate. However, from time to time, parents need back up plans for transportation and by registering, you will have another option for transportation.

Please review "How to Register for the School Commute Program" to see how to register. Please do not contact TBARTA. Our school's contact person for this program is Assistant Principal John Bangley, [jbangley@bdchs.org](mailto:jbangley@bdchs.org).

Sincerely,

*Kristine Bennett*

Kristine Bennett, Ed.S.  
Principal

How Parents Register for the School Commute Program

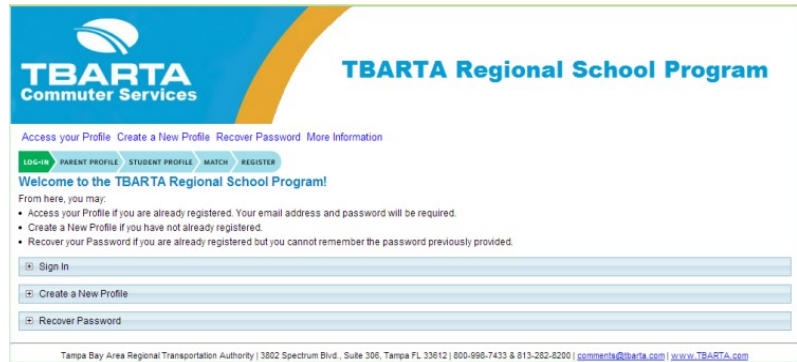
Parents register online at <http://www.tbarta.com/en/school-program/commuter/school-program>.

Screen 1: Click *Sign up for the School Commute Program here*.



Screen 1

• Screen 2: “Create a New Profile”.



Screen 2

**Note:**

- Home address is never shown on match lists. System uses intersection to determine matches.
- If your school name is not in the School drop down menu in the “Create Student Profile” tab, the SPC should contact the District Level Coordinator.
- Everyone can participate, even if you are not a driver
- Parents can also check boxes for interest in walking school bus and/or interest in bike train.

\* Drive Preference: (select)

\* Home search distance: (select)

\* School search distance: (select)

\* Group search distance: (select)

\* Arrive as early as  minutes

\* Pick up as late as  minutes

My times are flexible

Interested in walking school bus

Interested in bike train

\* Max matches:

This comment will be displayed on School Program matches and will be visible to all users.