



## AB Star Party 2012! SAVE the DATE!

Sponsored by the Acton and Boxborough Public Schools,  
The Amateur Telescope Makers of Boston (ATMoB)  
and AB PIP STEM (Parent Involvement Project)  
[www.abstarparty.com](http://www.abstarparty.com)

This is our tenth annual event- don't miss it! We expect over 600 participants!  
STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT/ADULT AT ALL TIMES.

What is a "star party"? It is a chance for fourth graders and their parents to meet amateur astronomers and get a peek at the night sky using telescopes and binoculars, "meet" Galileo, step inside a StarLab indoor planetarium, and make a take-home star finder. Several planets will be visible as well as the Orion Nebula and several galaxies. Both indoor and outdoor astronomy activities are planned.

**WHEN:** Monday, March 5 (Cloud dates- March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>)  
If both Monday and Tuesday are cloudy, the Star Party will happen on Wednesday- even if it's cloudy. We have lots of indoor activities.

**WHERE:** Parker Damon Building, 11 Charter Road, Acton, MA

**TIME:** 6:00-9:00 pm - arrive any time- but please come before 8:30

**WHAT TO BRING:**

- very warm clothing and footwear- be prepared to enjoy the night
- a flashlight and binoculars (if you have them)
- (if it's possible) some cookies or non-messy fruit to share, the students would appreciate it very much

**WHAT NOT TO BRING:** Students/children who are NOT fourth graders

**VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteers - either high school students or extra adults (not supervising fourth graders) are needed for set-up/activity support, clean-up and traffic control during the event.  
Contact [actonpip@gmail.com](mailto:actonpip@gmail.com) to volunteer.

**CANCELLATION:** If necessary, we will cancel by 2 pm. for clouds or extreme cold. Students will be informed before dismissal. If we have to cancel both Monday and Tuesday, we will have an indoor Star Party on Wednesday. Cancellation info available at [abstarparty.com](http://abstarparty.com)

**RSVP?** It is not necessary to RSVP to participate, just come along!

