

**Stepping Up Their Game**

Teachers at BPS101 are enlisting the help of instructional coaches and technologists to improve student learning. [Read more >](#)

HWS Mascot “Howie the Hawk” Gets New Kicks!

Something very interesting just landed at Hoover-Wood Elementary School—the school mascot made out of Stephen Curry Under Armour sneakers! [Read more >](#)

RMS March Madness Reading Challenge

During the months of March and April, Rotolo Middle School students participated in a March Madness Reading Challenge and read a total of 885,886 minutes! [Read more >](#)

Batavia Wind Symphony Headed to SuperState

The Batavia Wind Symphony (the highest-performing curricular band at Batavia High School) was recently accepted into the 2017 Illinois SuperState Concert Band Festival at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. [Read more >](#)

BHS Link Crew Liftoff

Batavia High School just launched its new leadership program is for juniors and seniors to support incoming freshmen classes. [Read more >](#)

Batavia CANDO 2017 Exemplary Educator Award Winners

Ten BPS101 educators were honored with Batavia CANDO’s Exemplary Educator Awards at the April 18, 2017, Board of Education Meeting. [Read more >](#)

BHS Track Update

The finish line is near! Construction of the new track at Batavia High School met some delays this school year with weather and event conflicts, however, completion is now in range. Installation of the sealant/top coat and striping remain and will require seven to 10 days of dry, warm weather for completion. Weather permitting, the track should be finished in the next few weeks.

BHS and RMS Bridging Communication Gaps with PSAT Program

Principal Student Advisory Teams (PSAT) at Rotolo Middle School and Batavia High School are taking steps to bridge the communication gap between administrators and the two student bodies. [Read more >](#)

Class of 2018 Immunizations

All incoming 12th grade students are required to have a meningitis immunization before the first day of school. For a copy of the form, visit the [Health Services page](#) on the BPS101 website. If you have any questions, please call the BHS Health Office at 630-937-8606.

April 18 Board Meeting Highlights

In case you missed the Tues., April 18 Board of Education Meeting, please review the [highlights >](#)

Student Spotlight: Scott Lillig, BHS Senior

Scott Lillig spent his spring break building a much-needed shed at J.B. Nelson Elementary School as part of his Eagle Scout requirements ... and somehow managed to corral a team of staycationers to help. [Read more >](#)

In the News

- Newly elected Batavia School Board members will look to put students first: [Kane County Chronicle >](#)
- Adam Pascal and Anthony Rapp to Be Part of High School Production of RENT: [Broadway World >](#)
- Batavia Kiwanis sponsor Key Club students, support Bowl A Thon: [Kane County Chronicle >](#)

Top Tweets of the Week

A roundup of 140-character “bests” from the BPS101 Community.

@BPS101Pride

So much fun hosting BPS101 Pride this week! Our 5th graders wrote all tweets and snapped all pics. Awesome! @BPS101Pride @JBNelson101

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Our first grade Ss are observing their newly arrived caterpillars! There is quite a bit of excitement in this classroom.

@bhsCoachPayton

The DO dream just became reality. So many in the community helped in this project. We are almost finished. #alag #bps101

@rotoloms

Have or know someone with an incoming Sixth Grader? Check out [rms.bps101.net/incoming-sixth-grade](#) for all information you may need. RT and share!

@BataviaBands

Hoagies Day!!!!@BataviaHSMusic – at Rotolo Middle School

@HixJen

What a wonderful evening of art and music. I wonder which NAHS Grant will win...? Great PLATE event! @BataviaNAHS

Upcoming Events

Sync your mobile device(s) with BPS101.net [school calendars](#).

Board Meetings

May 2, 6 p.m. (Special Meeting) and May 23 (Regular Meeting)

Rosalie Jones Admin Center

- [View agenda](#)
- [Watch recordings of previous Board Meetings](#)
- [Read highlights from April 18 Board Meeting](#)

Community Conversation: Adolescent Stress and Anxiety

April 20, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Batavia Congregational Church

All Batavia and surrounding community members are invited and encouraged to attend this important conversation about adolescent stress and anxiety. The discussion, led by Dr. Eric Ward Nolan, a specialist in child and adolescent psychiatry, will focus on understanding the causes of adolescent stress and anxiety, and learning practical tools for helping youth cope. This free Community Conversation is part of a series sponsored by the Batavia Ministerial Association in partnership with BPS101.

Batavia Booster Club Dinner Dance

April 21, 6 p.m., Gaslite Manor, Aurora

Enjoy a night of food and fun with fellow Bulldog parents, fans, and coaches to celebrate another year of Bulldog sports success and raise money for future athletes. [Tickets >](#)

Understanding Bully Prevention: Myth Busters and Practical Strategies for Parents

April 24, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Alice Gustafson School (enter south door facing Carlisle Ave.)

“I’m being bullied!” Hearing this from your child can raise alarm bells for any parent. Come to this informational workshop on bully prevention where Cheryl Curry, assistant principal, Alice Gustafson, Louise White, and Batavia Early Childhood Center, will walk through fact versus myth and provide practical strategies to support and empower our children. All Batavia elementary parents are welcome!

BHS Production of “Rent”

April 27-30, Batavia Fine Arts Centre

[Tickets >](#)

BHS Prom

May 6, 6 p.m. Bobak’s Signature Events and Post Prom at Funway

[Details/Tickets >](#)

Bike/Walk to School Day

May 10

Students and families are encouraged to walk or ride their bike to school as part of National Walk/Bike to School Day.

INCubator Pitch Night

May 17, 6:30 p.m., Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Watch BHS student entrepreneurs pitch their business startups to successful area business professionals for real funding. Free event open to the community. [Read more >](#)

Backpack Mail

BPS101 often receives requests from community organizations to distribute informational fliers to students in their backpacks. In an effort to be environmentally conscientious, we use an electronic format to deliver this information, which we call “Backpack Mail.”

[View the latest edition of Backpack Mail >](#)

Want to include your school-related event in Backpack Mail? [Details >](#)