



District E-News
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State Champs!

In case you haven't heard, the Batavia High School Football Team won the IHSA 7A State Championship game! The team worked incredibly hard for #OneMoreWeek throughout the season and have been honored throughout the city—and at the Bears vs. 49ers Game! Check out all of the buzz this powerhouse team has [created](#) >

Operation Warm Toes 2017

All BPS101 schools are collecting socks for RMS sixth-grader Sophie Lindstrom's "Operation Warm Toes" sock drive, which she launched last year at AGS. All donations directly benefit the Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry and Clothes Closet. [Read more](#) >

AGS "Kindness is Contagious" Week

Alice Gustafson Elementary School student Maria Savas has a strong passion for kindness. This passion led her to create a "Kindness is Contagious" week at AGS, starting Dec. 11. To explain and share her project, she created a video with AGS Principal Dr. Tim McDermott. [Check it out](#) >

RMS Mathletes Clean House at Marmion Math Contest ... Again

RMS had two teams of five students at the 2017 Marmion Junior High Math Contest—and every student placed! [Read more](#) >

RMS Students Learn About Computer Science from a Fermilab Computer Scientist

It's Computer Science Education Week! To help students learn about computer science as a career, RMS computer teacher, Kelly Bennett, invited a real computer scientist into her classroom. [Read more](#) >

A Passion for Sewing Turns into a Business for Former BPS101 Student

Abby Gustavson, a student who attended BPS101 schools before moving to Tenn., recently returned to RMS to share how her passion for sewing—which flourished in Amy Powell's Family and Consumer Science class at RMS—has turned into a real business. [Read more](#) >

BPS101 Placed on the College Board's 8th Annual AP District Honor Roll

For the fifth time, BPS101 has been named to College Board's AP District Honor Roll for making access to and success in Advanced Placement courses a priority. [Read more](#) >

BPS101 Fast Facts 2017-18

Get the scoop on District programs, achievements, community partnerships, and resources quickly via [BPS101 Fast Facts 2017-18](#) >

BPS101 is Now on Instagram

About time, right? Follow along at [instagram.com/bps101_batavia](#) >

Meet Batavia High School's "Real" AP Art Students

Throughout November, BHS AP Art students took turns in the hot seat to learn about themselves through the eyes of their peers. [Read more](#) >

RMS Named 'IESA Good Sport'

Rotolo Middle School was recently recognized by the Illinois Elementary School Association as an "IESA Good Sport" for showing extraordinary sportsmanship off the field. [Learn what RMS student athletes have been up to](#) >

Six Ways to Stay Informed About School Closings

We have officially entered the season when extreme weather conditions may cause schools to be closed. To help keep you informed of school closings, we have [six resources](#) >

Illinois 5Essentials Survey

All BPS101 parents are encouraged to participate in the 2017 Illinois 5Essentials Survey, which is designed to generate a detailed picture of the inner workings of your child's school. As a parent, your voice is essential to help us understand the conditions at your child's school and guide improvement. The survey is administered online by the University of Chicago, on behalf of the Illinois State Board of Education. [Take the short survey](#) >

Last Call! Help Plan the Future of BPS101

BPS101 is seeking community and staff input to guide future renovations and repairs to District facilities. Read more about your opportunity to join the [Facilities Committee](#) >

Lottery Registration for Tuition-Free Preschool

Families with children who will be turning three and four years old by Sept. 1, 2018, and who currently reside in the boundaries of Batavia Public School District 101, are eligible to participate in a lottery system for open spots at the BPS101 Preschool at the Early Childhood Center in the 2018-19 school year. [Read more](#) >

Nomination Window Open for 2017 BPS101 Hall of Honor

Nominations for the 2018 BPS101 Hall of Honor are now being accepted. Nominate an exemplary BHS alum, BPS101 staff member, and/or friend of the District [today](#) >

In the News

- How students' project honors suburban heroes at Pearl Harbor and beyond: [Daily Herald](#) >
- Announcing The Beacon-News 2017 Girls Volleyball All-Area Team: [Beacon-News](#) >
- Girls Gymnastics: Scouting the Fox Valley: [Daily Herald](#) >
- Wrestling: Previewing the teams around Kane County: [Kane County Chronicle](#) >
- Batavia nomination window open for schools' Hall of Honor: [Kane County Chronicle](#) >

Student Spotlight: Jack Haefer, BHS Senior

Batavia High School senior Jack Haefer is one of only three students in the Chicago area to receive the 2017 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award. This prestigious award recognizes high school students for their outstanding individual academic achievements, athletic accomplishments, and community involvement. [Read more](#) >

Upcoming Events

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

Board Meetings

Dec. 19, Jan. 23, Feb. 6, and Feb. 20. 7 p.m., Rosalie Jones Admin Center

- Watch recordings of previous Board Meetings
- [Read](#) highlights from the Nov. 21 Regular Board Meeting

Little Bulldog Holiday Cheer Clinic

Dec. 9, 12 p.m. - 4 p.m., Batavia High School

Calling all young, aspiring cheerleaders! Batavia High School cheerleaders and coaches are leading a Bulldog Holiday Cheer Clinic for K-6 students. [Register](#) >

Community Holiday Movie Night

Dec. 12, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Batavia High School Cafeteria

BHS Student Council is hosting a movie night for all BPS101 K-5 students. [Details](#) >

Kane County Student Photography Exhibition

Dec. 14, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Water Street Studios

Every year, the Regional Office of Education holds a photography contest for area high schools, which culminates in a final exhibition. Open to entire community, this year's exhibition will feature photography from nine Kane County school districts, appetizers from the BHS Culinary Arts Dept., and music by members of the BHS Orchestra.

Ball in the House/The Chromatics: Holiday Magic

Dec. 15, 7:30 p.m., Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Batavia High School's a cappella group, The Chromatics, will be singing along with professional a cappella group [Ball in The House](#) at this special holiday show! [Tickets](#) >

Lights Up Sound Down Movie: "Ferdinand"

Dec. 16, 9 a.m., Goodrich Randall 15 Theater, Batavia

Join Batavia Special-Education Parent Network (BSPN) for a sensory-friendly movie. Lights will be turned up, sound will be lowered, and no previews will be shown. Matinee prices of \$6 for children 3-11 and \$7.50 for ages 12+ apply. Snack boxes available at \$1 discount.

Winter Break

Dec. 25-Jan. 5

Enjoy the holiday season!

Tee Off for Turf 2018

Jan. 14, 12 p.m. - 4 p.m., TopGolf, Naperville

Beat the winter blues while supporting BPS101 student athletes and Batavia Bulldog Boosters. Tee off at TopGolf in Naperville with fellow Bulldogs. [Register](#) >

Future Fashionista Workshop

Jan. 20, 12 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Sponsored by Batavia High School and Studio Boosters, this wearable art workshop is designed for students in grades 3-5 who are interested in fashion design. [Register](#) >

BPS101 Tuition-Free Preschool Open House

Jan. 24, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m., Early Childhood Center at AGS

Learn about BPS101's tuition-free preschool and [lottery process](#) >

Free Developmental Screening for Infants through Pre-K

Feb. 16, Early Childhood Center at AGS

BPS101 offers free developmental screenings to access young children's skills. [Details](#) >

BSPN Resource Fair

Feb. 22, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Batavia High School

Meet representatives from local organizations and businesses that serve individuals with special needs and their families and learn more about what they offer at this free event.

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](#) >