



Operation Flashlight

BPS101 students and families are bringing "intentional joy" to neighborhood nursing homes through the newly founded organization, Operation Flashlight. [Read more >](#)

Message from the Superintendent on Student Voice, Advocacy, and Safety

Please be sure to review this message from BPS101 Superintendent Dr. Lisa Hichens, which was also sent as a BPS101 Messenger to all parents on March 6. [Message >](#)

BPS101 Safety Help Line

BPS101 has a safety line that is available to all community members at 630-937-5410 or www.bps101.net/safety-help-line. Be prepared to state, specifically, what was seen or heard, and the source of information (who posted it, who said it, etc.) And, please leave your contact information in the event that more information is needed.

Thriving Against All Odds

Oswego East graduate Matt Vega recently shared with BHS freshmen how he went from gangs, drugs, and multiple arrests to a graduate degree from the University of Chicago. [Read more >](#)

HCS PTO Raises \$12,000 and Counting From Fitness Event

This school year, the HCS PTO was looking for a fundraiser that was fun for kids and easy on adults. The PTO found that and [more >](#)

Bluestem Challenge Accepted

HCS fourth- and fifth-graders took on LRC Director Diane Kispert's challenge to read at least five of the 2018 Bluestem nominated books. [Read more >](#)

LWS Brownie Troop Giving Back

LWS third-grade Brownie Troop #1675 used the profits from their Girl Scout cookie sales to shop for the Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry and filled seven carts! [Read more >](#)

BHS Record-Breakers

It's only the halfway point in Batavia High School's Indoor Track & Field season and already five school records have been broken! [Read more >](#)

Infection Detection Course Gives BPS101 Girls a Good Dose of STEM

Through the Batavia Foundation for Educational Excellence's District Innovation Grant, BPS101 has been able to get more girls involved in STEM education. [Read more >](#)

STEM Partnership School Lottery

Next school year, eight seats will be available for incoming BPS101 third-grade students at the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School. The STEM School is part of the Aurora University campus and specializes in science, technology, engineering, and math. To learn more, attend the parent information meeting from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Wed., April 4 at the Aurora University Banquet Hall. [Read more >](#)

AU offering Summer STEM Courses and Camps for Middle and High School Students

This summer, Aurora University is offering several STEM courses and camps for high school and middle school students. The high school-level courses include college credit. [Read more >](#)

Staff Spotlight: Helen Ratzlow

RMS special education paraprofessional Helen Ratzlow is turning RMS trash into artistic treasure. BHS junior/BPS101 Communications Dept. intern Brooke Meyer [reports >](#)

Upcoming Events

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

Board Meetings

March 20 and April 17, 7 p.m., Rosalie Jones Admin Center

- [Watch](#) recordings from previous meetings on BATV.
- Board Highlights: [Read](#) highlights from Feb. 20 Regular Board Meeting

A Night of Improv

March 11, 6 p.m., Black Box Theatre

Come out and experience a Night of Improv with Chicago Improv Productions and Batavia High School's very own "But Seriously, Folks..." improv troupe. [Tickets >](#)

BHS Rock the Runway

March 16, 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m., Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Wearable art fashion show with pieces designed and modeled by Batavia High School students. This year's design theme is "Power." [Details >](#)

Prom Dress Giveaway

March 17, 9 a.m. - 4p.m., Batavia Public Library

The Batavia Public Library is hosting CHIP IN Batavia's fifth-annual Prom Dress Giveaway. The library will also be accepting donated prom dresses and accessories (purses, jewelry, and shoes) until March 16 at the library's check out desk. [Read more >](#)

Batavia Fine Arts Festival

March 22, 5 p.m. doors open, Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Batavia High School is hosting its sixth-annual Batavia Fine Arts Festival and the entire community is invited. [Details >](#)

Spring Break

March 26-April 2

STEM School Parent Info Meeting

April 4, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Aurora University Banquet Hall

[Details >](#)

Batavia Booster Club Dinner Dance

April 20, 6 p.m., Pipers Banquets, 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 funds for future athletes. [Tickets >](#)