



**BATAVIA
PUBLIC
SCHOOL
DISTRICT 101**

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Safety Message from the Batavia Police Department

The Batavia Police Department would like to share the following important safety message with BPS101 parents and the community: "The Batavia Police Department is dedicating more time and resources to further monitoring and protecting our schools. Moving forward, you will see an increased patrol presence during drop-off and pick-up hours as well as random exterior perimeter checks by uniformed officers to ensure the schools are properly secured. Additionally, officers are looking forward to providing a presence within the schools by walking through the halls, stopping by classrooms, or joining students during lunch. **Please be aware this is not in response to any specific or perceived threat.** We, as a police department, are striving to ensure an environment where children and staff feel safe and secure."

BHS Ride Along

BHS junior/BPS101 Communications Dept. intern Alexa Andrews recently hit the road to learn more about the BHS Driver's Ed Program. [Read more >](#)

BHS Choirs Deliver Messages of Love and Empowerment

In February, the Batavia Show Choirs (Legacy and SwingSingers) left for Indiana to perform and share lyrical messages of Love and Empowerment. BHS freshman/BPS101 Communications Dept. intern [Austen Grizzell reports >](#)

Afternoon Child Care for Half Day, Fri., April 20

Free afternoon child care for BPS101 students in grades K-5 has been planned by Batavia churches on half day Fri., April 20, from 12:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Batavia, 21 S. Batavia Ave. [Reserve a spot >](#)

Your Input is Requested

The BPS101 Board of Education has created a Facilities Committee to develop a long-term master facilities plan for 2021 and beyond. The committee is analyzing the current facilities and has the desire to gain an awareness about potential projects throughout the district. The Committee is interested in hearing from each of the school communities about their facilities; they are interested in your perceptions of the current status as well as suggested improvements. [Submit your feedback by April 13 >](#)

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. [Read more >](#)

In the News

- Girls Soccer: Pair of Graces power Batavia: [Kane County Chronicle >](#)
- Batavia High School student plans benefit 5K Fun Run/Walk/Roll: [Kane County Chronicle >](#)

Student Spotlight: Maddyn Wagenknecht

Grace McWayne student Maddyn Wagenknecht had an unusual 10th birthday this past December. [Read more >](#)

Upcoming Events

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

Board Meetings

April 17, May 1, and May 15, 7 p.m., Rosalie Jones Admin Center

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

Fermilab's STEM Career Expo

April 18, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Wilson Hall

High school students are invited to this free event to attend panel discussion and meet scientists, engineers, and technicians from many STEM careers. [Details >](#)

BHS Presents, "Letters to Sala"

April 19, 20, 21, 7:30 p.m. and April 21, 2 p.m., Black Box at Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Adapted from the book "Sala's Gift" by Ann Kirschner and based on a true account, "Letters to Sala" is a remarkable story of a young girl's survival during wartime Germany. [Tickets >](#)

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. Auction items include Cubs tickets, Lollapalooza ticket, Bulls tickets, two-night stay at Great Wolf Lodge, Grand Geneva getaway, and much more. [Tickets >](#)

Half Day - No School for Early Childhood or Kindergarten Students

April 20

BHS Prom

May 5, Museum of Science and Industry

[Details >](#)

BHS Graduation

May 23, 7 p.m. ceremony start time, NIU Convocation Center

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 >](#)