



THE DISTRICT DISH

A MONTHLY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2019

Picture of the Month

Thankful Thursday

#SmilesAndSpirit
#RichieForTheWin



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KALEIDOSCOPE CONCERT AT BHS

On Tuesday, December 3, 2019, BHS Music performed their annual Kaleidoscope Concert. It's a spectacle of holiday themed music that is sure to help kick off the holiday season featuring all 425 BHS Music Students performing! This event was so popular, that tickets sold out in 10 minutes. BATV stepped in and broadcast one of the performances LIVE! To view the video, check out the BATV video page on [YouTube](#) @BATV1017





NAN PHILLIPS NAMED CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The Batavia Chamber of Commerce announced it's 2019 Batavia Citizen of the Year, Nan Phillips! She is a gift to BPS101. For more than 25 years, she served as the Learning Resource Center Director at Louise White School in Batavia, and then at Hoover Wood School when the new elementary school opened in 2001. For more on Nan visit: [bps101.net/news](https://www.bps101.net/news)

RMS LITERARY LANE

Students in grades 6th - 8th decided on a favorite book to transform the lockers into a larger than life bookshelf! With paper, paint, markers, and scissors, students created what would look like the spine of a book. Building a reading culture in our school is putting literature out in the forefront! When a student sees what others like to read, it begins to spread the word about books. For the rest of the story, visit: <https://www.bps101.net/news>



SPREADING JOY

May all of you be open to the experience of the holiday season like Richie. Richie has been our #1 up-lifter of all things. He gives from the heart and expects nothing in return. He smiles through daily struggles, and keeps his head up and pressing on. He lifts our spirits, and we love him. When he is not here, we miss him. Whether it be a fist-bump greeting or a pull down the hall to show us what work he has finished, we want it, we want it all. From the staff at BPS101, Happy Holidays! See you in 2020.



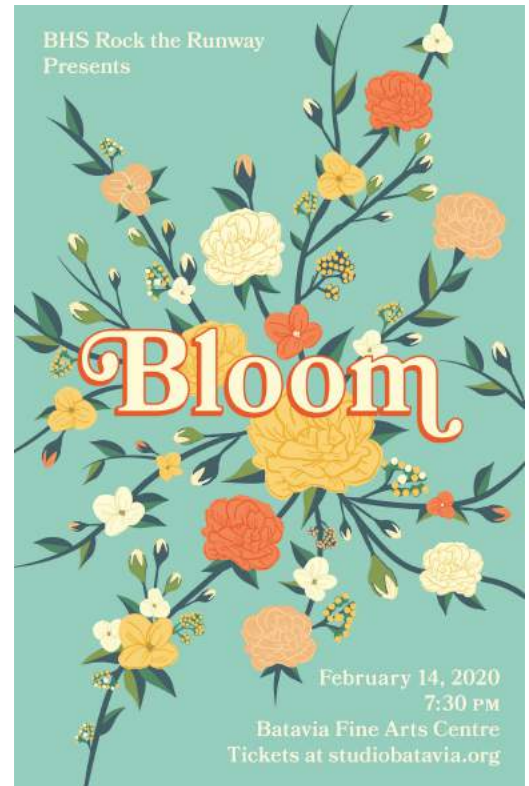
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VOLUNTEER AND VISITOR POLICY CHANGE

Our District students, staff, and overall community are better served because of the volunteer spirit of Batavia. In a school setting, the support of volunteers and visitors creates a unique educational experience for our students. As a reminder to those that visit or plan to visit a school in our District, we have policies and procedures that need to be followed to ensure a safe and positive experience for all. Here is a [LINK](#) to information about the District's policies and procedures that specifically relate to volunteers.



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BPS101 IN THE SPOTLIGHT AT IAEA

BPS101 had a great showing at the Illinois Art Education Association Fall Conference (IAEA)! All the elementary school teachers and Jenna McKnight at RMS were featured presenters.



Student Spotlight

Illinois State Scholars represent approximately the top 10% of high school seniors from 757 high schools across the state. Illinois State Scholars possess strong academic potential and are chosen based on a combination of exemplary ACT or SAT test scores and sixth-semester class rank. For the list, visit BPS101.net/news

2020-21 ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS NAMED-AND BHS HAS 83!



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Backpack Mail: Our paperless means of distributing fliers from community organizations. A link to Backpack Mail is included at the bottom of every District and school e-newsletter.

District E-News: You will receive this electronic newsletter monthly. To view back issues, visit our

Communications page.

BPS101 Messenger: If additional information is needed to be sent outside of District E-news, it will be sent as an email from "BPS101 Messenger". If you have any information to share with us, feel free to contact us at anytime, (630) 937-8800.

Stories and Celebrations: If you have a story or celebration you think would be of interest to the community, submit it **here.**

We're Hiring! BPS101 has openings for all licensed (teaching) and non-licensed professionals. View available positions **here.**

Upcoming Events

No School: Dec. 23, 2019 - Jan 3, 2020

Preschool Open House at EC: Jan. 22 at 6 PM

Kindergarten Preview: February 14 (Times vary by school.)

Next School Board Meeting: Jan 21, 7:00 PM,
Rosalie Jones Admin Building.

Watch recordings of previous meeting on **BATV.**

Board Highlights: Read highlights from the December 17 Board Meeting.



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

COME ONE, COME ALL! BPS101 is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Hall of Honor! Know of a BHS Alum, Staff Member, or friend of the District that has demonstrated excellence in their field and/or commitment of service to District 101? Nominate them for a Hall of Honor award. The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2020. For more info visit:

bps101.net/bpshallofhonor

Presented by Batavia Public School District 101

The BPS101 Hall of Honor highlights positive role models for our students and honors individuals who have made extraordinary contributions as alumni to society or have served our country, as staff who have shown deep commitment to our students, or as friends who have given meritorious service to BPS101 students/parents/community.



Tee Off for Turf!

Sunday, January 19 : : 12-4pm



Support the Bulldogs effort to raise money to help pay for the new turf surface at Batavia High School!

Cost is \$90/person or \$500 for a group of six*.

*If registered & paid by December 18. After that prices are \$100/person and \$575 for a group of six.

To register, visit teeoffforturf.ezregister.com

Trivia night



REGISTER TODAY

Batavia Foundation for Educational Excellence Presents

COMPETE FOR BFE: THE ULTIMATE SCAVENGER HUNT

February 29, 2020

6:00 PM