



# BATAVIA High School

2019-20  
**SCHOOL FACTS**

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**Brian Gamlin, Assistant Principal, Juniors/Seniors**

*"Batavia High School is a student-centered learning community where students are given voice and choice in their learning experience. Our parents are exceptionally supportive and involved and our collaborative staff is focused on the results of student learning." — Dr. JoAnne Smith, Principal*

## School Summary

Batavia High School was created by the merger of West Batavia High School and East Batavia High School (and their separate school districts) in 1911 and became part of Batavia Public School District 101. Enhanced by 1:1 technology, BHS is a comprehensive high school with rigorous academics in addition to excellent opportunities in athletics and fine arts. BHS remains the only public high school in Batavia and is on a collegiate-style block schedule.

## Academics and Student Support

**Core Content Areas:** English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, and Health.

**Innovative & Enrichment Programs:** Art, Music, Theater, Spanish, French, Latin, STEM, Project Lead the Way, Building Trades, INCubator Entrepreneurship, L.I.N.K. Internship Program, Batavia Fine Arts Centre Internship Program, Fox Valley Career Center, Child Care Education and Lab, Culinary Arts, Hospitality and Catering, PE Leadership Program, BATV, and college credit options.

**Student Support:** Offer multiple programs to support English learners, students with disabilities, and gifted and at-risk learners. Student services staff includes 5 counselors, 3 social workers, 3 psychologists, 1 career counselor, and 1 transition coordinator.

**1,960**  
School enrollment

**96%**  
Students on track to graduate after 9th grade

**93%**  
graduation rate

**83%**  
Students enroll in college post high school

**83%**  
Teachers with master's degree or higher

**1,091**  
Average SAT composite score

**93**  
5Essentials Survey: BHS students reported that their peers treat each other with respect, work well together, and help each other learn. The state average score is 61.





## Top 10 Most Attended Colleges and Universities

### 2019 BHS Graduates

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Waubonsee Community College | 6. Northern IL University |
| 2. Iowa State University       | 7. University of Missouri |
| 3. Illinois State University   | 8. Augustana College      |
| 4. University of IL-Champaign  | 9. Aurora University      |
| 5. DePaul University           | 10. College of DuPage     |

## Dual Credit

At Batavia High School, students have the opportunity to graduate with up to 32 transferable college credits before starting their freshman year of college. Batavia High School currently offers 10 dual-credit courses.

The Class of 2019 had 569 dual-credit course enrollments, which is an increase of 29% from the Class of 2017.

## AP/Honors

There are 16 Advanced Placement (AP) courses and 14 Honors courses offered at BHS. All Honors and AP courses taken at BHS earn an additional GPA point. The GPA highest honors benchmark is 4.38.

## Technology

All students issued a Chromebook with Google Suite software.

## Academic Recognitions

### Class of 2019

- Illinois State Scholars: **92**
- National Merit Semifinalists: **3**
- Number of students who took at least one AP exam: **247**

## Extracurricular Activities

- **80%** of students at Batavia High School are involved in an extracurricular club
- **30%** of students participate in more than one extracurricular activity
- **40** school-sponsored clubs, **11** Honor Societies, and **9** Music Groups

## Partnerships

- Batavia Bulldog Boosters
- Batavia Foundation for Educational Excellence
- Batavia Kiwanis Club
- Batavia Music Buffs
- Batavia Special-Education Parent Network
- Batavia United Way
- BATV
- CHIP IN Batavia
- Fox Valley Career Center
- Rotary Club of Batavia
- STAGE Batavia Boosters
- Studio Batavia Visual Arts Boosters

## Fine Arts Recognitions

- BHS presents 24 major performance events each year in the areas of theater, art, and music.
- BHS Art Teacher Dawn Zalkus named "2019 Illinois Art Educator" by the National Art Education Association and "2018 Illinois Art Educator of the Year" by the Illinois Art Education Association.
- Award Winning Students in Graphics:
  - VALEES Graphic Student of the Year
  - National Scholastic Art Medalist
- Music Program: NAMM Top Community for Music Education, four years running.

## Sports Recognitions

- **23** IHSA Sports
- **65** conference championships
- **26** "Sweet 16" team finishes in IHSA state competitions
- **5** IHSA Trophies
- **33** Regional Championships