



# BATAVIA High School

2018-19  
**SCHOOL FACTS**

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**Dave Andrews, Associate Principal Operations**

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**Tara Jerbi, Assistant Principal, Sophomores**

**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.

**1,963**

School enrollment

**97%**

Students on track to graduate after 9th grade

**95%**

graduation rate

**88%**

Students enroll in college post high school

**80%**

Teachers with master's degree or higher

**23.9**

Average best ACT 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 57.





## Top 10 Most Attended Colleges and Universities

### 2018 BHS Graduates

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Waubonsee Community College      | 6. College of DuPage            |
| 2. University of Illinois-Champaign | 7. Ball State University        |
| 3. Iowa State University            | 8. Augustana College            |
| 4. Grand Valley State University    | 9. Purdue University            |
| 5. Illinois State University        | 10. Western Michigan University |

## 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 2018 had 470 dual-credit course enrollments, which is an increase of 75% from the Class of 2016.

## 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 4.375.

## Technology

All students issued a Chromebook with Google Suite software.

## Academic Recognitions

### Class of 2018

- Illinois State Scholars: **104**
- National Merit Semifinalists: **3**
- Number of students who took at least one AP exam: **244**
- Number of times BHS placed on the College Board's AP Honor Roll: **5**

## Extracurricular Activities

- **73%** of students at Batavia High School are involved in a club and/or sport
- **21%** of students participate in more than one extracurricular activity
- **48** school-sponsored clubs and activities
- **26** IHSA sports

## 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.
- BHS Graphic Arts Teacher Kathleen Tieri Ton honored with 2018 Educator Award by the American Institute of Graphic Arts Chicago.
- Music Program: 2016, 2015, 2014 GRAMMY® Signature Schools semifinalist.

## Sports Recognitions

- **60** conference championships
- **31** regional championships
- **24** "Sweet 16" team finishes in IHSA state competitions
- **5** IHSA state trophies