Walking into Hough is like walking into a hug with four walls and tomorrow inside. We believe every child is the champion of their own success, learning never ends and greatness dwells within each of us. We’ve been inspiring children to be their best for more than 150 years, embracing a proud tradition of excellence.

James Aalfs, Principal

School History

Hough Street School is one of eight elementary schools in the Barrington 220 School District, serving grades K-5. The original Hough Street School, known as South Side School, opened its doors in 1855, making it the oldest school in the Barrington 220 School District. The old frame schoolhouse stood in the exact spot of the current Hough Street School playground. In 1905 a new building was constructed on Hough Street and it became the original home of Barrington High School, until BHS moved to its current location on Main Street in 1949. Located in the heart of downtown Barrington, the current Hough building was built in 1967 and it is a prominent feature in Barrington’s local history.

Academics & Student Support

CORE CONTENT AREAS
Art, English Language Arts, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education and Health, Science, Social Studies

INNOVATIVE & ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS
Barrington 220 Extended Resource Self-Contained Program, Fresh INC, Kindergarten Enrichment, Library Literacy and Media, PTO Mini Courses, STEM

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING PROGRAMS
Positive Behavior Systems (PBS), Second Step

Fast Facts

• Niche ranking: A+, 4th Best Public Elementary School in Lake County school district, 16th Best Public Elementary School in IL
• One-to-World iPad per student
• Total Enrollment: 285
• Student/Teacher Ratio: 16:1

Affiliations & Recognitions

• Blue Ribbon Award: 2015
• 2 National Board Certified Teachers
• 1 Golden Apple Teacher
• Let's Move! Active Schools National Award: 2016, 2017, 2018
• Member of IESA - Illinois Elementary School Association

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Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) Results

All students are assessed with the IAR in English Language Arts and Mathematics. Hough students perform well above the state average.

Local Assessment & Test Scores

Hough assesses all students in winter and spring with the NWEA MAP test in the areas of Reading and Mathematics. Students in Barrington perform well above the national average (the 50th percentile).

Extracurricular Activities

Band  
Barrington 220 Speech Tournament  
Boys Basketball  
Chess Club  
Cooking Club  
Cross Country  
Drama Club  
Girls Basketball  
Green Club  
Helping Hawks Service Club  
Homework Club  
Lego Robotics  
Maker Club  
Mindful Monday Club  
Orchestra  
Running Club  
Student Council  
Track & Field

98%  
Hough Graduates on Track after 9th Grade

90%  
Hough Graduates Enroll in College post High School

1195  
Hough Graduates’ Future Average SAT Score

99%  
Pass Algebra I by the End of 9th Grade

97%  
Student Attendance

83%  
Teachers with Master’s Degree +

19  
Average Class Size