

Some questions to ask about police in schools:

For the city/county:

The cost of getting someone to kneel a Black youth's neck? Officer Kaczynski earns \$100,000 a year (not counting benefits and pension costs). Local school teachers? Half of that.

Police brutality to youth: its a Binghamton tradition. [BHS security beat down on Court street outside Binghamton High School](#), BPD [abuse of developmentally challenged youth on West side](#), police endorsed beat down at [Dillinger's](#), [abuse in the county jail](#) (lawsuit ongoing) [and past lost lawsuits on youth abuse and coverup here](#), ...

Past post on westside attack:



Don't hand over videos to the police as the white Mayor/BPD asks: they always refuse to release their own despite protests ([see past story here](#))

Why are [\\$millions spent on ineffective and expensive school cops](#) like Kaczynski, and [Binghamton proposed to close a middle school—targeting the one in the poorest part of town with the most students of color?](#)

Who trained Officer Kaczynski? The notorious Broome County Sheriff (in 2003), who operates a brutal jail where youth of color are [beaten without accountability/oversight](#), and continuous lost (wrongful death, abuse, medical maltreatment) lawsuits.

Why is there no independent community oversight of the BPD, BUPD, Sheriff? Why did the past mayor cancel the (weak) Human Rights Commission? Why are our elected officials all silent?

For campus folks, here are some questions ([background on BUPD here](#)):

Why does BU fund local police? Was the BU funded cop involved here? Where were they?

When students asked for no BUPD funding, Pres Stenger refused to speak to them, forbid admin to do so, and hid out for weeks (Bluelights protest 2017).

What is the official arrangement for policing downtown between BU and the BPD? Why is it secret?

Stenger's and the City's response to BLM in the face of [community demands](#)? New rules on chokeholds. We know how that works out.

Why is downtown so heavily policed vs local youth, youth of color? If it's a public university, why are BU facilities so gated and closed to the public, with armed BUPD at the door of the BU downtown Center?