

**BRANDON VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 49~2**

Spring 2016



Welcome to the Brandon Valley School District. Brandon Valley School District 49-2 was originated in 1962 reorganizing with the Valley Springs School District, Brandon School District and twelve common school districts creating one district. The district encompasses 128 square miles bordering Sioux Falls to the west, Minnesota and Iowa to the east, Canton to the south and Garretson to the north.

Our district has grown from 900 students in 1962 to nearly 3,800 students today making it the sixth largest school district in South Dakota. The five districts larger than Brandon Valley include Sioux Falls, Rapid City, Aberdeen, Watertown, and Harrisburg.

Our district has a high school (grades 9-12), middle school (grades 7-8), intermediate school (grades 5-6) and four elementary schools (grades JrK-4) with one elementary school in Valley Springs and two elementary schools in Brandon. The newest elementary school, Fred Assam Elementary, opened in the fall of 2009, and is located in the SW quadrant of the school district in the city limits of Sioux Falls. The newest, most innovative school is our intermediate school, opened in the fall of 2015, and has been a great success! Brandon Valley has stayed abreast of the growth of the district with many building projects over the years. The following projects have provided for this steady growth:

1967	<i>Brandon Valley High School opened</i>
1974	<i>Junior High added to the High School</i>
1974	<i>Addition to the south end of the High School</i>
1974	<i>Addition to Valley Springs Elementary School</i>
1987	<i>Addition to Brandon Elementary School</i>
1994	<i>Opening of our new Brandon Valley Middle School (Grades 6-8)</i>
1997	<i>Addition of a new state-of-the-art High School Band Room</i>
1997	<i>Addition of a new band/multi-purpose room at Valley Springs Elementary</i>
1999	<i>Opening of the 800 seat Brandon Valley Performing Arts Center</i>
1999	<i>Opening of High School Food Court and Commons</i>
2003	<i>Opening of the new Robert Bennis Elementary School</i>
2004	<i>Opening of the new Transportation Facility</i>
2005	<i>High School second floor remodel and Wrestling Room</i>
2006	<i>Addition to the Brandon Valley Middle School</i>
2007	<i>Addition to the Tennis Courts at the Brandon Valley Middle School</i>
2008	<i>Classroom remodel to Valley Springs Elementary</i>
2008	<i>Opening of the George A. Gulson Administration Center</i>
2009	<i>Opening of the new Fred Assam Elementary School</i>
2009	<i>Opening of High School Classroom addition (9 regular and 6 science rooms)</i>
2009	<i>Opening of Indoor Activities Center at the High School</i>
2009	<i>High School Office remodel/relocation</i>
2010	<i>High School Art Room addition/remodel</i>
2011	<i>Brandon Elementary Library/Music Room Addition</i>
2012	<i>Restructure/Resurface of High School Parking Lot</i>
2013	<i>Secure Entries at BE, RBE, VSE and FAE</i>
2014	<i>High School HVAC Renovation</i>
2016	<i>Opening of the new Brandon Valley Intermediate School</i>
2016	<i>High School Office, Scene Shop and Chorus Room addition</i>
2016	<i>HS Outdoor Athletic Complex renovation of Ticket Booth, Concessions, and Restrooms</i>

Brandon Valley School District 49-2 is fortunate to be one of the few districts in the state of South Dakota that is enjoying growth in numbers of students and taxable valuation. Many South Dakota Districts are experiencing declining enrollment. The growth of our enrollment at Brandon Valley helps create a favorable financial position that enables the district to provide high quality learning environments for its students. Brandon Valley test scores are among the highest when compared to the other large schools in South Dakota.

The district employs 470 staff. This includes 245 teaching staff, 212 classified staff and 13 administrators. There are more than 1,800 students bused daily. Busing is provided to in-town students Grades Jr.K-9 for a nominal fee.

Students have a full range of extracurricular choices in athletics, music, speech, and drama, and Brandon Valley is well known around that state and region for our excellence in both athletics and fine art activities. Athletic opportunities include football, basketball, wrestling, track, soccer, volleyball, cross country, golf, tennis, bowling, softball, baseball, soccer, cheer and dance, and student manager/trainer. The High School Band program continually receives top ratings in all competitions. The completion of the Brandon Valley Performing Arts Center has brought the drama program performances to a superior level. Spring musicals sell out four performances on a single weekend. Students are also involved in the inner-workings of the behind the scenes lighting and sound equipment during various student performances. The "PAC" is an extraordinary asset to students *and* the community to promote the fine arts. Brandon Valley has a full range of programs addressing the wide variety of learning needs of its students. In addition, students in the HS have many choices of Advanced Placement and college credit-bearing courses that prepare them for their future college experiences.

Brandon Valley prides itself in our professional staff and progressive curriculum that prepares students for the future. Brandon Valley School District 49-2 will continue to grow and keep pace with the requirements to meet every student's needs. In Brandon Valley, our business is the creation of learning environments that result in success.

David M. Pappone
Superintendent of Schools

Brandon Elementary School

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The Brandon Elementary School was originally constructed in 1916. There have been major additions, with the 2011 Library/Music Room addition being the most recent. The School is located in the middle of the city of Brandon. At Brandon Elementary, with the help of students, parents, school, and community, we will build the future together.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment 575
 Average Class Size (K-4) 24
 Average Attendance Rate..... 96%
 Administrator Merle Horst, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience 14
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff 35

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*
 Dedicated Computer Lab
 Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
 High Speed Internet and Wireless Access
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <i>District</i>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 rd Grade Reading	47%	59%	12%
4 th Grade Reading	44%	62%	18%
5 th Grade Reading	47%	67%	20%
3 rd Grade Math	49%	59%	10%
4 th Grade Math	44%	60%	16%
5 th Grade Math	35%	57%	22%
5 th Grade Science	76%	97%	21%

Special Attributes

Title I Resources
 Gifted Education
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program
 Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving program
 Lego League ~ competitive robotics program
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program
 Accelerated Math ~ computerized math program
 IXL ~ web-based math program
 Response to Intervention (RtI) ~ Reading instruction system
 Early Childhood Special Education Program
 Special Education Services
 Student Council
 Jr. Kindergarten
 KARE-4, KinderPlus ~ Youth Enrichment Services
 Nursing Services
 Counseling Services

Fine Arts

Vocal Music
 Orchestra ~ Grade 4

Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
 Parent Volunteer Program
 Community Resource Program
 Jr. Achievement

Academics

Math
 Science
 Social Studies
 English
 Physical Education
 Art
 Computer
 Reading
 Spelling
 Written Expression
 Health
 Library

Robert Bennis Elementary School

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Robert Bennis Elementary was opened in the fall of 2003. The Building was constructed after a successful bond issue campaign that culminated with an 81% approval. The building features large classrooms and general “pod” areas for various grade levels. The addition of this school promotes the neighborhood school concept and is a great addition to the district.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment 468
 Average Class Size (K-4) 25
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%
 Administrator Karen Heyden, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience 15
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff 29

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*
 Dedicated Computer Lab
 Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
 High-Speed Internet Access and Wireless Access
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	<u>State</u> <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <i>District</i>	<u>% Above</u> <u>State Avg.</u>
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4 th Grade Reading	44%	62%	18%
5 th Grade Reading	47%	67%	20%
3 rd Grade Math	49%	59%	10%
4 th Grade Math	44%	60%	16%
5 th Grade Math	35%	57%	22%
5 th Grade Science	76%	97%	21%

Special Attributes

Gifted Education
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program
 Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving program
 Lego League ~ competitive robotics program
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program
 Accelerated Math ~ computerized math program
 IXL ~ web-based math program
 Response to Intervention (RtI) ~ Reading instruction system
 Special Education Services
 Student Council
 KARE-4 ~ Youth Enrichment Services
 Nursing Services
 Counseling Services

Fine Arts

Vocal Music
 Orchestra ~ Grade 4

Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
 Parent Volunteer Program
 Community Resource Program
 Jr. Achievement

Academics

Math
 Social Studies
 Physical Education
 Computer
 Spelling
 Art

Science
 English
 Health
 Reading
 Written Expression
 Library

Valley Springs Elementary School

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Located on the west edge of Valley Springs, the Valley Springs Elementary School was originally constructed in 1922. There have been several recent additions and remodeling projects including a 2,000 sq. ft. classroom addition, new heating system, air conditioning and a new playground. The latest remodeling occurred in the summer of 2008 to include interior classroom wall replacements, ceiling replacements, and a new boiler room roof. At Valley Springs Elementary, the small town atmosphere helps promote the belief that all students can and will learn.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment 104
 Average Class Size (K-4) 21
 Average Attendance Rate.....94%
 Administrator Tanya Palmer, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience 15
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff 18

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*
 Dedicated Computer Lab
 Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
 High-Speed Internet Access and Wireless Access
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <i>District</i>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 rd Grade Reading	47%	59%	12%
4 th Grade Reading	44%	62%	18%
5 th Grade Reading	47%	67%	20%
3 rd Grade Math	49%	59%	10%
4 th Grade Math	44%	60%	16%
5 th Grade Math	35%	57%	22%
5 th Grade Science	76%	97%	21%

Special Attributes

Gifted Education
 Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving program
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program
 Boost-Up
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program
 Accelerated Math ~ computerized math program
 IXL ~ web-based math program
 Response to Intervention (RtI) ~ Reading instruction system
 Special Education Services
 Student Council
 Nursing Services
 Counseling Services
 Small-town Atmosphere

Fine Arts

Vocal Music
 Orchestra – Grade 4

Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
 Parent Volunteer Program
 Community Resource Program
 Retired/Senior Volunteer Program
 Jr. Achievement

Academics

Math
 Social Studies
 Physical Education
 Computer
 Spelling
 Art

Science
 English
 Health
 Reading
 Written Expression
 Library

Fred Assam Elementary School

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Fred Assam Elementary opened its doors in the fall of 2009. This 600 student school is located in the southwest portion of our District and the first of our schools to be located in the city of Sioux Falls. The building features large classrooms and general “pod” areas for various grade level activities and gatherings. Fred Assam Elementary celebrates the diversity of its students and their families, and prepares each student to succeed in a changing world.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment410
 Average Class Size (K-4)21
 Average Attendance Rate.....86%
 Administrator Susan Foster, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience 13
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff36

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline, scheduling and registration*
 Dedicated Computer Lab
 Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
 High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State SD	BV District	% Above State Avg.
3 rd Grade Reading	47%	59%	12%
4 th Grade Reading	44%	62%	18%
5 th Grade Reading	47%	67%	20%
3 rd Grade Math	49%	59%	10%
4 th Grade Math	44%	60%	16%
5 th Grade Math	35%	57%	22%
5 th Grade Science	76%	97%	21%

Special Attributes

Title I Resources
 Gifted Education
 Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving program
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program
 Accelerated Math ~ computerized math program
 IXL ~ web-based math program
 Response to Intervention (RtI) ~ Reading instruction system
 Walk to Read ~ Specialized Reading Instruction Grades 1-2
 Special Education Services
 Student Council
 Jr. Kindergarten
 Youth Enrichment Services ~ Before/After School & Summer
 Nursing Services
 Counseling Services

Fine Arts

Vocal Music
 Orchestra ~ Grade 4

Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
 Parent Volunteer Program
 Jr. Achievement

Academics





Math
 Social Studies
 Physical Education
 Computer
 Spelling
 Art

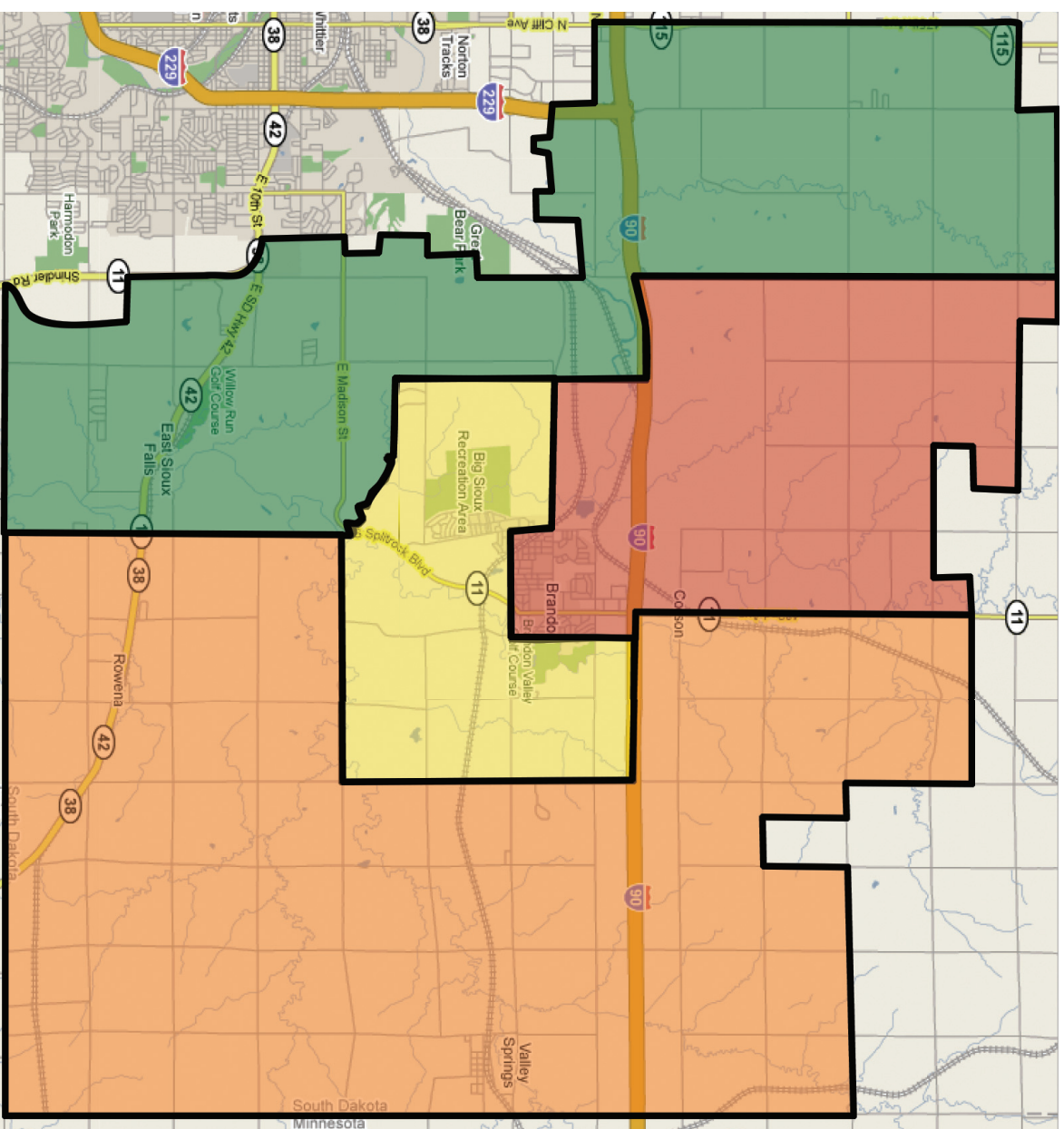
Science
 English
 Health
 Reading
 Written Expression
 Library

During the 2014-2015 school year, Fred Assam Elementary achieved Status Ranking. Status Ranking means that our school is listed in the upper 10% of all elementary schools in the State of South Dakota.

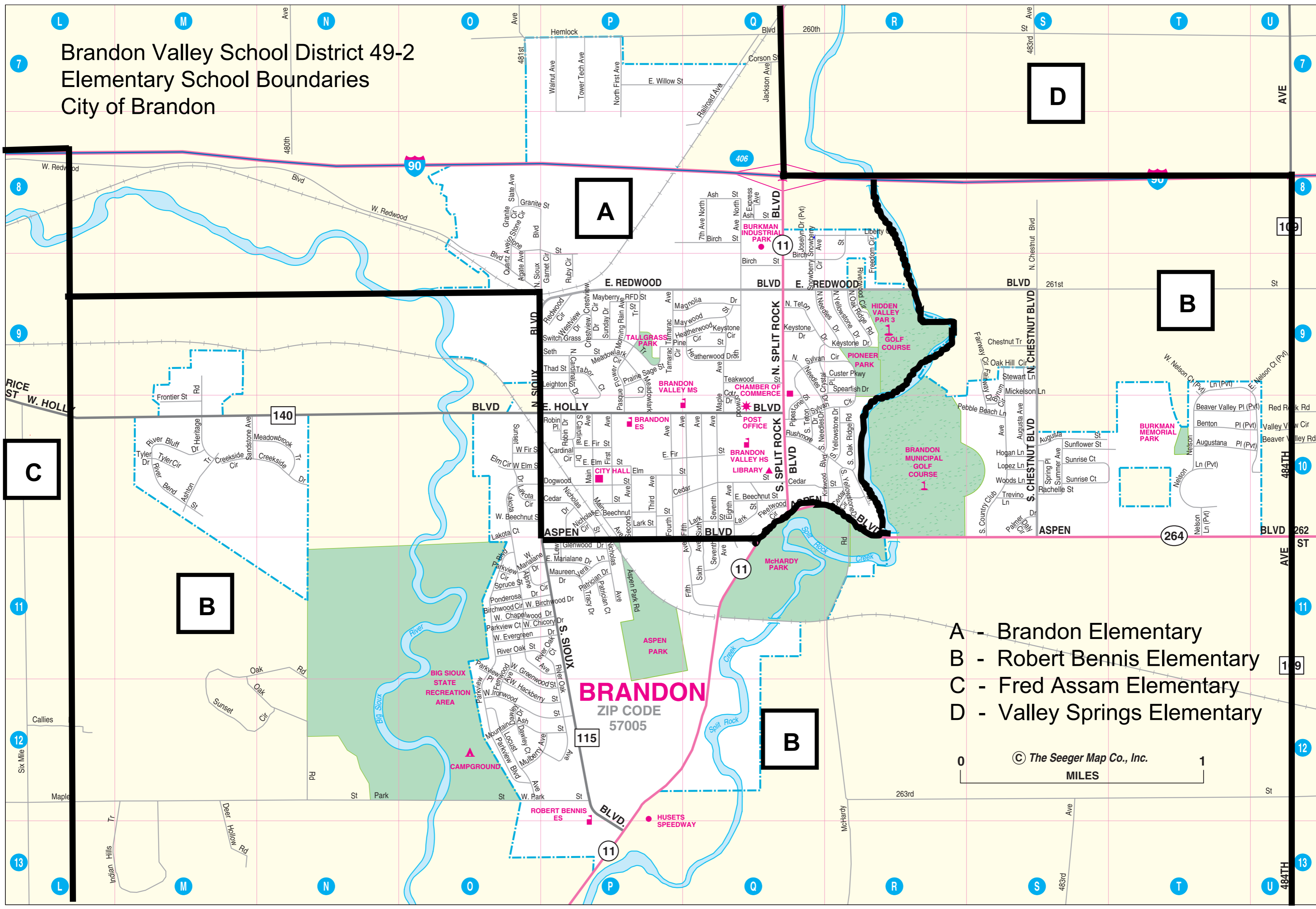
District Elementary Boundaries

This map illustrates the boundaries set forth by the Brandon Valley Board of Education (Board Policy JC). The Brandon Valley School District endorses the neighborhood school concept while maintaining full utilization of all elementary classrooms and teachers at all attendance centers. To achieve this goal, teacher/student ratio will be maintained at or near equal levels at each elementary school. Decisions regarding transfers among attendance centers within a district will be based upon the Board Policy JECB/JECC based on equalization of class sizes and boundary lines in the district.

-  FAE – Fred Assam Elementary
-  BE – Brandon Elementary
-  RBE – Robert Bennis Elementary
-  VSE – Valley Springs Elementary



Brandon Valley School District 49-2 Elementary School Boundaries City of Brandon



- A - Brandon Elementary
- B - Robert Bennis Elementary
- C - Fred Assam Elementary
- D - Valley Springs Elementary

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BRANDON
ZIP CODE
57005

Brandon Valley Intermediate School

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Brandon Valley Intermediate School opened its doors fall, 2015. We are home for 5th and 6th grade students and we continue to grow. Our curriculum meets and exceeds state standards which are taught by an excellent, experienced staff. Students’ academic test scores continue to rank above state and national averages. BVIS is a place for our 5th and 6th grade students to learn in a unique and creative environment that has components of both elementary and middle school settings.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment624
 Average Class Size26
 Average Attendance Rate.....98%
 Administrators.....Nick Skibsted, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience8
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff48

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*

- Dedicated Computer Labs
- Mini-Computer Lab in Media Center
- Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
- Mobile iPad Lab
- High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access
- SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

Community Involvement

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Junior Achievement

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State SD	BV District	% Above State Avg.
5 th Grade Reading	47%	67%	20%
6 th Grade Reading	44%	51%	7%
5 th Grade Math	35%	57%	22%
6 th Grade Math	33%	43%	10%
5 th Grade Science	76%	97%	21%

Special Attributes

- Counseling Services
- Gifted Education
- ELL ~ English Language Learners program
- Geography Bee
- ICU ~ Homework Completion Program
- Nursing Services
- Power Hour ~ After School Homework Help
- Spelling Bee
- Special Education Services
- Student Council

Extracurricular Opportunities

- Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving program
- Skiing/Snowboard Club

Fine Arts

- Chorus
- Instrumental Music
- Orchestra

Academics – Core

- Math English/Reading
- Science Social Studies

Academics – Encore

- Art
- Computer
- General Music
- ESL ~ English as a Second Language
- Physical Education
- STEM Lab

Brandon Valley Middle School

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Brandon Valley Middle School is the home to all 7th and 8th grade students in the school district. The middle school provides a challenging curriculum that meets and exceeds state standards. Classes are taught by an excellent and experienced staff that challenges students to expand and improve their academic skills. Students' academic test scores continue to rank above state and national averages. BVMS is the place for young people to develop their minds and expand upon their interests.

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment578
 Average Class Size26
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%
 Administrator Brad Thorson, Principal

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience 13
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff 38

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*
 Dedicated Computer Labs
 Mini-Computer Lab in Media Center
 Mobile Tablet Computer Labs
 High-Speed Internet Access and Wireless Access
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each Classroom

Community Involvement

Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO)

2014-15 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State SD	BV District	% Above State Avg.
7 th Grade Reading	48%	62%	14%
8 th Grade Reading	47%	65%	18%
7 th Grade Math	38%	56%	18%
8 th Grade Math	37%	56%	19%
8 th Grade Science	67%	80%	13%

Special Attributes

Gifted Education
 ICU ~ Homework Completion Program
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program
 Odyssey of the Mind ~ competitive problem solving
 READ 180 ~ Reading Enhancement Program
 Quiz Bowl
 Geography Bee
 Spelling Bee
 Special Education Services
 School Play
 Student Council
 Nursing Services
 Counseling Services

Extracurricular Opportunities

Boys/Girls Basketball
 Boys/Girls Golf
 Boys/Girls Cross Country
 Volleyball
 Boys/Girls Track
 Boys/Girls Tennis
 Football
 Wrestling

Fine Arts

Chorus
 Instrumental Music
 Orchestra
 Jazz Band

Academics – Core

Math
 Science
 Social Studies
 English
 Reading

Academics – Encore

Art
 Computer
 Health
 Foreign Language
 Physical Education
 Industrial Technology
 Life Skills
 Study Skills
 FACS
 ELL

Brandon Valley High School

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Brandon Valley High School is a 9-12 State accredited school serving more than 1,035 students. The school provides a comprehensive curriculum meeting the needs of an academically diverse student population. Students' classroom experiences are enhanced by a wide array of extra-curricular activities. Each year approximately 85% of our graduating seniors go on to some form of higher education, and traditionally 60% of our students participate in an extra-curricular activity.

The staff averages over seventeen years of experience with one in three holding Masters Degrees. The commitment of the staff, efforts of the students and the support of the people in our communities have allowed BVHS to build a reputation as one of the strongest academic high schools in South Dakota. BVHS consistently ranks as one of South Dakota's top performing "AA" high schools based on state and national test results. In 2015, BVHS had the distinction of having the highest School Performance Index of any 'AA' school and the highest ACT composite average of any public high school in South Dakota.

Brandon Valley High School was originally constructed in 1967 with major additions/renovations occurring in 1974, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2016. Our students have access to some of the finest facilities in the region. Each classroom is wired to the internet and includes up-to-date books and materials to enhance the educational experience. Each of the high school students will have 24-7 access to a computer beginning with 2016-17.

The state-of-the-art 800 seat theater/auditorium complex completed in 1999 is used by students throughout the district for various fine arts performances and for numerous community events/performances. The joint city/county/school library that was built in 2002 provides our students and the public with access to a wide range of materials and technology. The athletic complex hosts many school activities including football games, soccer matches, track meets, and regional band competitions. We encourage you to visit our high school website: brandonvalley.k12.sd.us.



Brandon Valley High School

General Information

2015-16 Enrollment	1035
Average Class Size	24
Average Attendance Rate	96%
Administrators.....	Gregg Talcott, <i>Principal</i> Mark Schlekeway, <i>Assistant Principal</i> Randy Marso, <i>Activities Director</i>

Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience	17
Number of Certified Teaching Staff	55

Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*
1-to-1 student computers
High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access
Video Teleconferencing Studio
SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

Community Involvement

Athletic Booster Club
Band Parents Association
Fine Arts Booster Club
Parent Advisory Board
Senior Parent Organization

Special Attributes

Special Education Services
College Credit/Advanced Placement/
Dual Enrollment/Honors Courses
Internship Program
Career Academy of Sioux Falls: *BV is affiliated with the Sioux Falls School District to provide career and technical curriculum for all HS students*

Academics Program for the Graduating Class of 2017-2019

The 22 credits required include:

English	4.0 credits
Speech.....	0.5 credit
Social Science.....	3.5 credits
Mathematics.....	3.0 credits
Science (Laboratory).....	3.0 credits
Computer Science	1.0 credit
Fine Arts	1.0 credit
Physical Education.....	0.5 credit
Health.....	0.5 credit
Personal Finance/Economics	0.5 credit
CTE/World Language/Internship.....	1.0 credit
Other Electives.....	3.5 credits

ACT Test Results ~ BVHS Class 2015

BV (Highest in South Dakota)	24.5
State Average.....	21.9
National Average	21.0

	<u>BVHS</u>	<u>'AA'</u>	<u>STATE</u>
Graduation Rate	96.02%	86.31%	83.96%
Performance Index.....	79.41%	67.53%	64.95%
Smarter Balanced Math	60.48%	43.49%	38.77%
Smarter Balanced ELA	75.71%	63.03%	59.71%
Dakota Step Science	82.24%	71.97%	69.29%
ACT Math 20+.....	82.35%	71.45%	67.21%
ACT English 18+.....	85.03%	78.65%	75.75%

More detailed information can be obtained at the BVHS website: brandonvalley.k12.sd.us

Extracurricular Opportunities

<u>Athletics</u>	<u>Fine Arts</u>
Football	Fall Play
Boys/Girls Basketball	Musical
Wrestling	One-Act Play
Boys/Girls Track	Oral Interp
Volleyball	Marching Band
Boys/Girls Cross Country	Jazz Band
Boys/Girls Golf	Symphonic Band
Boys/Girls Tennis	Concert Band
Boys/Girls Bowling	Concert Choir
Softball	Lynx Choir
Baseball	Orchestra
Boys/Girls Soccer	Art
Student Manager/Trainer	
Statistician	<u>Publications</u>
Competitive Cheer and Dance	School Paper Yearbook

Miscellaneous

Art Club	Peer Helpers
Biology Club	Quiz Bowl
Drama Club	Spanish Club
Math Honor Society	Student Aides
National Honor Society	Student Council

Academics Program for the Graduating Class of 2020

The 22 credits required include:

English	4.0 credits
Speech.....	0.5 credit
Social Science.....	3.5 credits
Mathematics.....	3.0 credits
Science (Laboratory).....	3.0 credits
Computer Science	0.5 credit
Fine Arts	1.0 credit
Physical Education.....	0.5 credit
Health.....	0.5 credit
Personal Finance/Economics	0.5 credit
CTE/World Language/Internship.....	1.0 credit
Other Electives.....	4.0 credits

Brandon Valley Activities

The Brandon Valley School District is well known around the state and region for our excellence in athletics and fine arts activities. A new **Indoor Activities Center** was opened in the fall of 2009. This Activities Center includes 3 courts (2,800 seat capacity), a weight room, a training room, locker rooms, restrooms, and a community room.



ESD Conference Championships

Boys Basketball	2007, 1998, 1997
Girls Basketball.....	2009, 1999, 1998
Football	2015, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2008,2006, 2000, 1999, 1997, 1996
Dance	2015, 2014, 2013, 2012
Competitive Cheer	2015, 2013, 2012, 2007
Girls Cross Country	2014, 2012
Boys Cross Country	2014, 2011, 2009
Boys Track & Field.....	2014, 2013, 2012
Girls Track & Field.....	2015, 2014
Boys Golf.....	2014, 2012, 2011
Girls Tennis.....	2014

State Championships

Boys Basketball	1998
Girls Basketball	2011
Football.....	1998, 1990, 1989, 1988, 1985, 1984
Dance	2014
Boys Track and Field.....	1986, 1985
Competitive Cheer.....	2007
Boys/Girls Cross Country.....	2010
Boys Golf.....	2014
Boys Bowling	2010

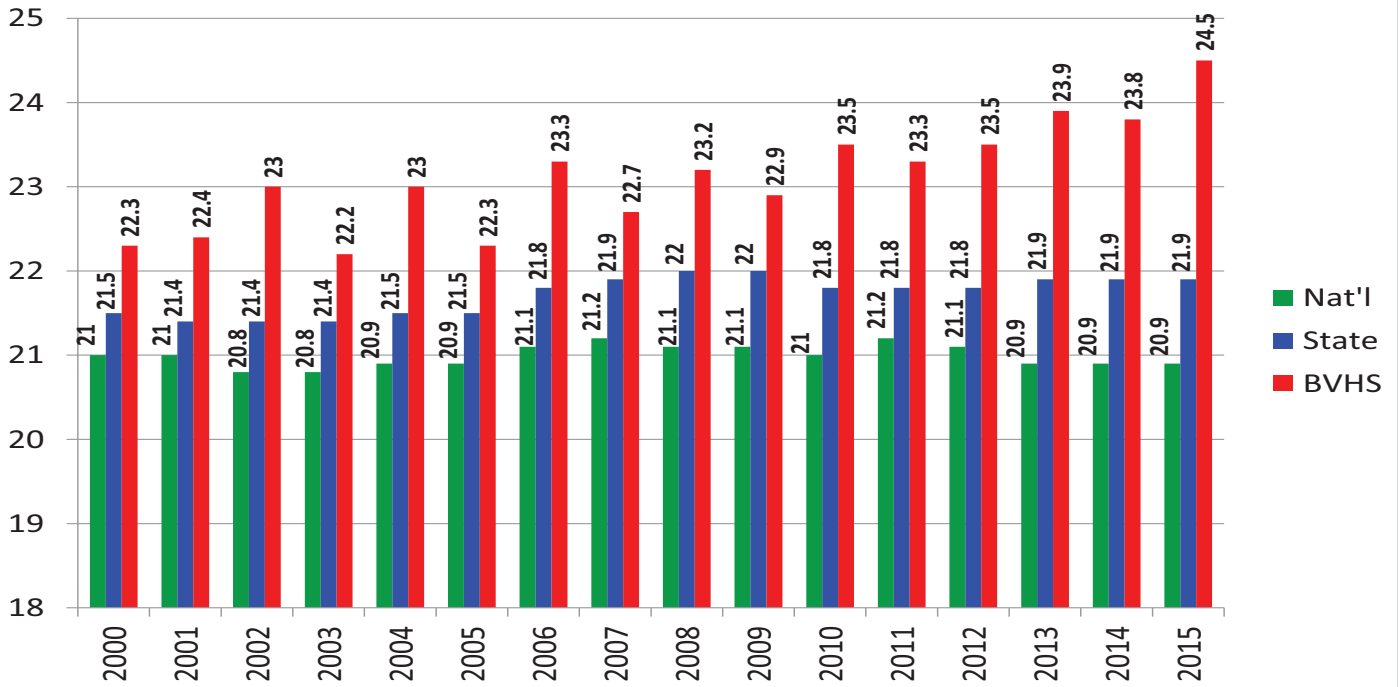
Along with the conference and state championships listed above, we have had several other runner-up finishes in other athletic activities, along with titles in numerous district and region competitions in several different activities.



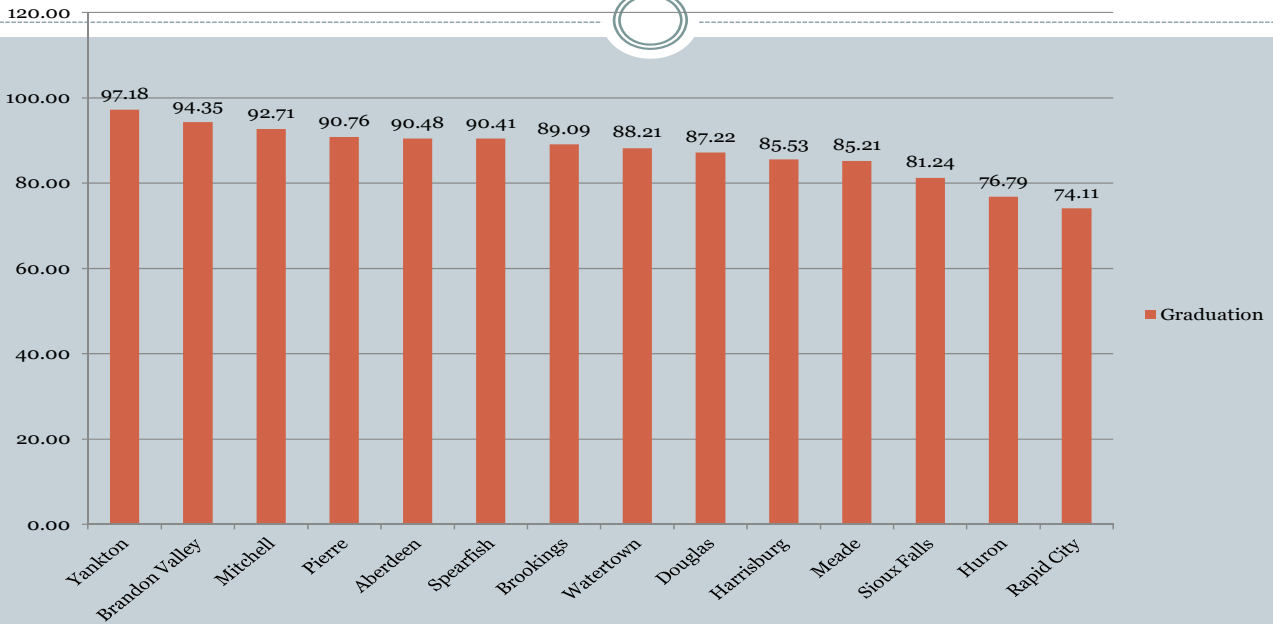
Fine Arts programs at Brandon Valley continue to flourish, with home performances being held in the state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center. The Brandon Valley marching Lynx are a perennial power to the parade and field show circuit. The band competes and performs on a national scale every three years, with experience in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, the Fiesta Bowl Parade and Field Competition, and their latest trip to the Liberty Bowl Parade in Memphis, Tennessee in January of 2016. The Brandon Valley High School Chorus performs every three years in Washington D.C. or Orlando, Florida. The Brandon Valley High School Orchestra has begun performing every three years, with their latest trip to New York City in the summer of 2014. The Oral Interpretation program has produced several State place finishers and National Qualifiers. The Drama department continually produces "Superior" rated One-Act plays and cast members, along with sell-out performances of the annual Musicals.

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BVHS ACT RESULTS 2000 – 2015

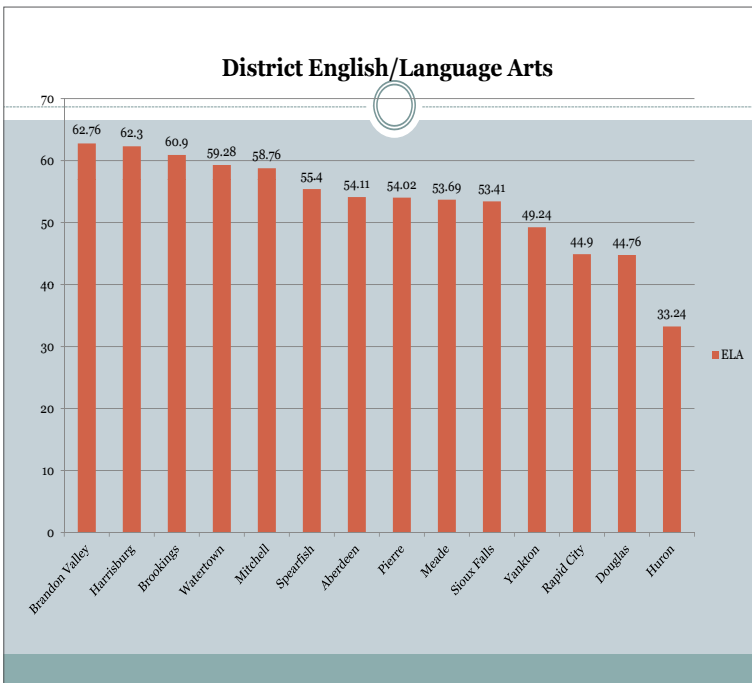
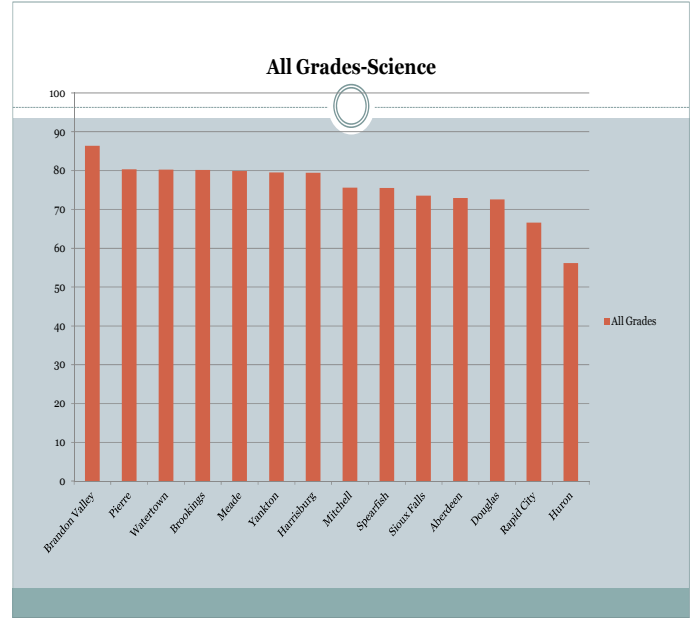
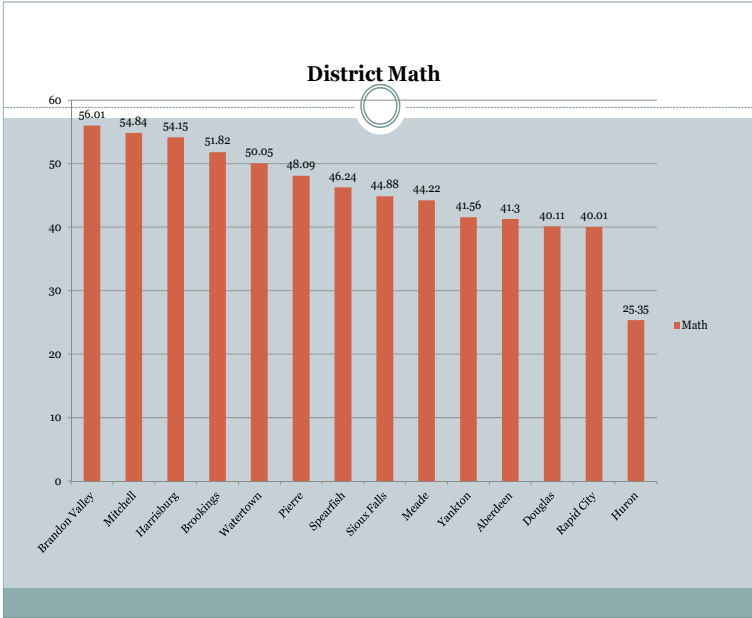


Graduation



**Brandon Valley School District 49-2 was ranked #2 in “AA” Graduation Rates (94.35%)
as compared to other AA schools in South Dakota!**

Brandon Valley School District 49-2 District Report Card



School Performance Index

BVHS	79.41	Status School
BVMS	61.26	Progressing
Brandon Elem.	61.45	Progressing
Fred Assam Elem.	68.01	Status School
Robert Bennis Elem.	72.16	Exemplary
Valley Springs Elem.	64.08	Progressing

Brandon Valley School District 49-2 was ranked #1 in “AA” academic scores in Science, English-Language Arts and Math as compared to other AA schools in South Dakota!

Brandon Valley School District Telephone Directory

Superintendent.....	582-2049
Business Manager.....	582-2058
Business Office Fax Number.....	582-7456
Operations Manager	582-2058
High School	582-3211
Activities Director	582-2886
High School Fax Number	582-2652
Middle School	582-3214
Middle School Fax Number	582-7206
Intermediate School.....	582-6035
Intermediate School Fax Number.....	582-6036
Brandon Elementary	582-6315
Fred Assam Elementary.....	582-1500
Robert Bennis Elementary.....	582-8010
Valley Springs Elementary.....	757-6285
School Nurse Office @ BE.....	582-3642
School Nurse Office @ RBE.....	582-8015
School Nurse Office @ FAE	582-1502
Director of Special Services @ BE.....	582-3446
Special Services Fax Number.....	582-3229
District Child Nutrition Director @ RBE	582-3926
District Transportation Department.....	582-3514
Transportation Fax Number.....	582-2827
Community Education/Performing Arts Center	582-8235

District Web-site address: www.brandonvalleyschools.com



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learning environments that result in success."***