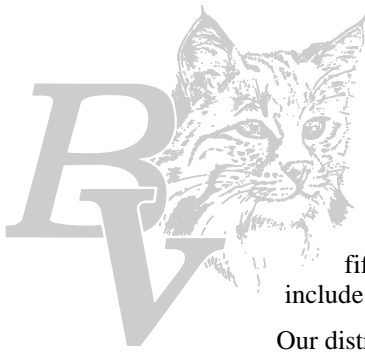


**BRANDON VALLEY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 49~2**

*Spring 2013*



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 over 3,500 students today making it the fifth largest school district in South Dakota. The four districts larger than Brandon Valley include Sioux Falls, Rapid City, Aberdeen, and Watertown.

Our district has a high school, middle school and four elementary schools 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. Brandon Valley has stayed abreast of the growth of the district with many building projects over the years. The following projects have provided for the steady growth of our district.

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>

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 414 staff. This includes 216 teaching staff, 185 classified staff and 13 administrators. There are more than 1,700 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, 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 High School 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

501 Holly Blvd., Brandon, SD 57005 – Telephone (605) 582-6315 – Fax (605) 582-2709

Email: Merle.Horst@k12.sd.us



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

2012-13 Enrollment ..... 706  
 Average Class Size (K-5) ..... 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 Laptop Computer Labs (2)  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 3 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in Grades K-5

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grades 3 - 5

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <u>District</u>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>85</b>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>89</b>	12%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	75	<b>84</b>	9%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	76	<b>85</b>	9%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	78	<b>91</b>	13%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	75	<b>88</b>	13%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Science</b> .....	77	<b>89</b>	12%

## Special Attributes

Title I Resources  
 Gifted Education  
 ELL-English Language Learners program  
 Destination Imagination ~ 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  
 Instrumental Music - Grade 5  
 Orchestra - Grades 4 & 5

## Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)  
 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

2001 S. Sioux Blvd., Brandon, SD 57005 – Telephone (605) 582-8010 – Fax (605) 582-8012

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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

2012-13 Enrollment ..... 520  
 Average Class Size (K-5) ..... 23  
 Average Attendance Rate..... 96%  
 Administrator ..... Karen Heyden, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience ..... 15  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff ..... 32

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 Dedicated Computer Lab  
 Mobile Laptop Computer Lab  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 3 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in Grades K-5

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grades 3 - 5

	<u>State</u> <u>SD</u>	<u>BV</u> <u>District</u>	<u>% Above</u> <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>93</b>	16%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>91</b>	14%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	75	<b>88</b>	13%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	76	<b>97</b>	21%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	78	<b>97</b>	21%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	75	<b>93</b>	18%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Science</b> .....	77	<b>93</b>	16%

## Special Attributes

Gifted Education  
 ELL-English Language Learners program  
 Destination Imagination ~ 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, KinderPlus - Youth Enrichment Services  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music  
 Instrumental Music - Grade 5  
 Orchestra - Grades 4 & 5

## 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

301 Valley Drive, Valley Springs, SD 57068 – Telephone (605) 757-6285 – Fax (605) 757-6795

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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, eliminate sliding glass door, 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

2012-13 Enrollment ..... 136  
 Average Class Size (K-5) ..... 22  
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%  
 Administrator ..... Kristi Nelson, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience ..... 20  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff ..... 10

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 Dedicated Computer Lab  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 2 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in Grades K-5

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grades 3 - 5

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <u>District</u>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>85</b>	8%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>72</b>	(5)%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	75	<b>84</b>	9%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	76	<b>93</b>	17%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	78	<b>97</b>	19%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	75	<b>92</b>	17%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Science</b> .....	77	<b>91</b>	14%

## Special Attributes

Gifted Education  
 ELL-English Language Learners program  
 Destination Imagination ~ 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, KinderPlus - Youth Enrichment Services  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services  
 Small-town Atmosphere

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music  
 Instrumental Music - Grade 5  
 Orchestra - Grades 4 & 5

## 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 levels, patterned after Brandon Valley’s Robert Bennis Elementary. The addition of this school promotes the neighborhood school concept and is another great addition to the district.

## General Information

2012-13 Enrollment .....381  
 Average Class Size (K-5) .....24  
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%  
 Administrator ..... Susan Foster, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience ..... 13  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....20

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 Dedicated Computer Lab  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 3 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in Grades K-5

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grades 3 - 5

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <u>District</u>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>88</b>	11%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>87</b>	10%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	75	<b>90</b>	15%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	76	<b>79</b>	3%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	78	<b>87</b>	9%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	75	<b>92</b>	17%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Science</b> .....	77	<b>92</b>	15%

## Special Attributes

Title I Resources  
 Gifted Education  
 ELL-English Language Learners program  
 Destination Imagination ~ 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  
 Jr. Kindergarten  
 KARE-4, KinderPlus - Youth Enrichment Services  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services  
 Host site for the *South Dakota School for the Deaf*  
 Auditory/Oral Program

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music  
 Instrumental Music - Grade 5  
 Orchestra - Grades 4 & 5

## Community Involvement

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

## Academics

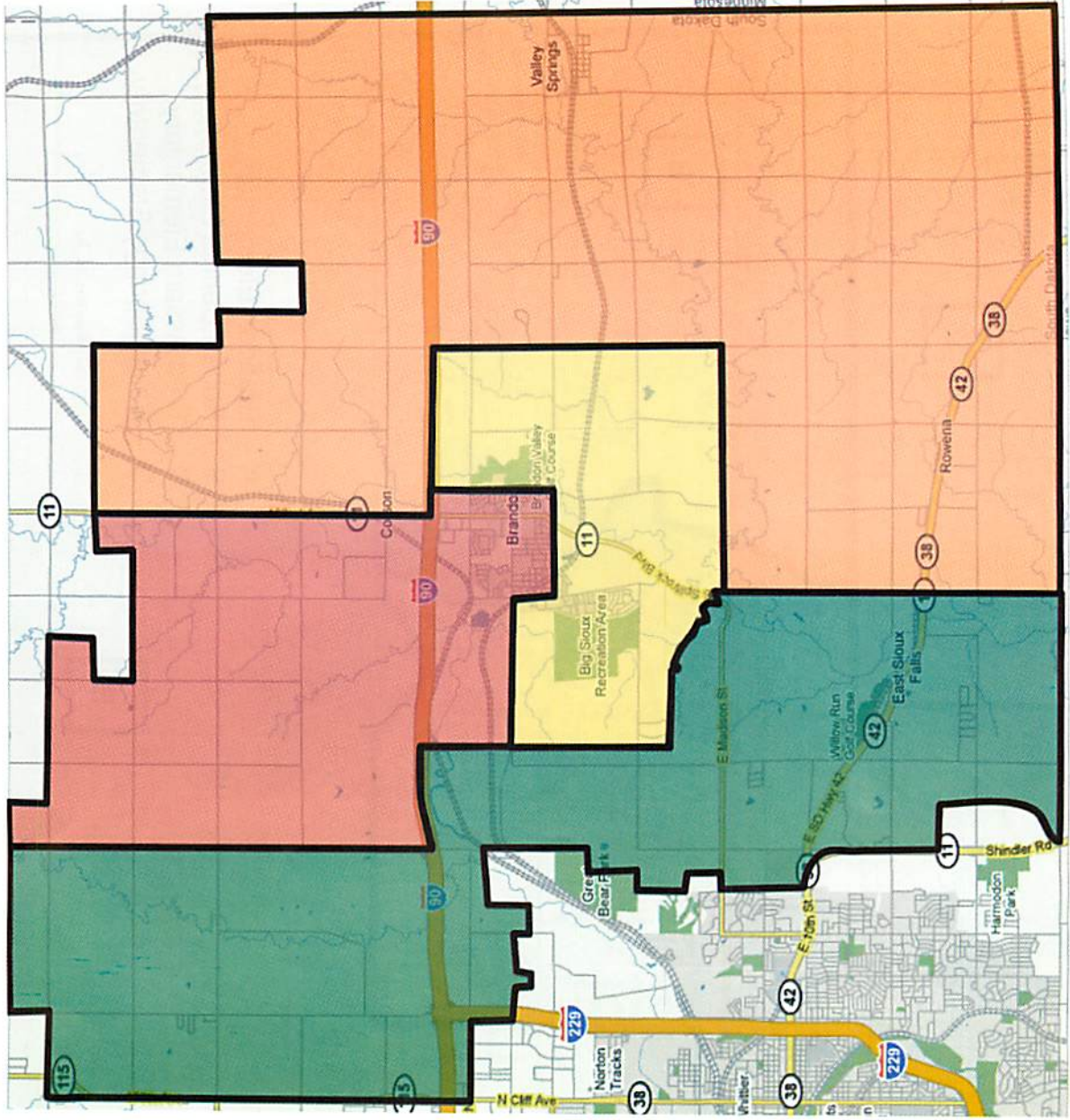
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Science  
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 Library



# District Elementary Boundaries

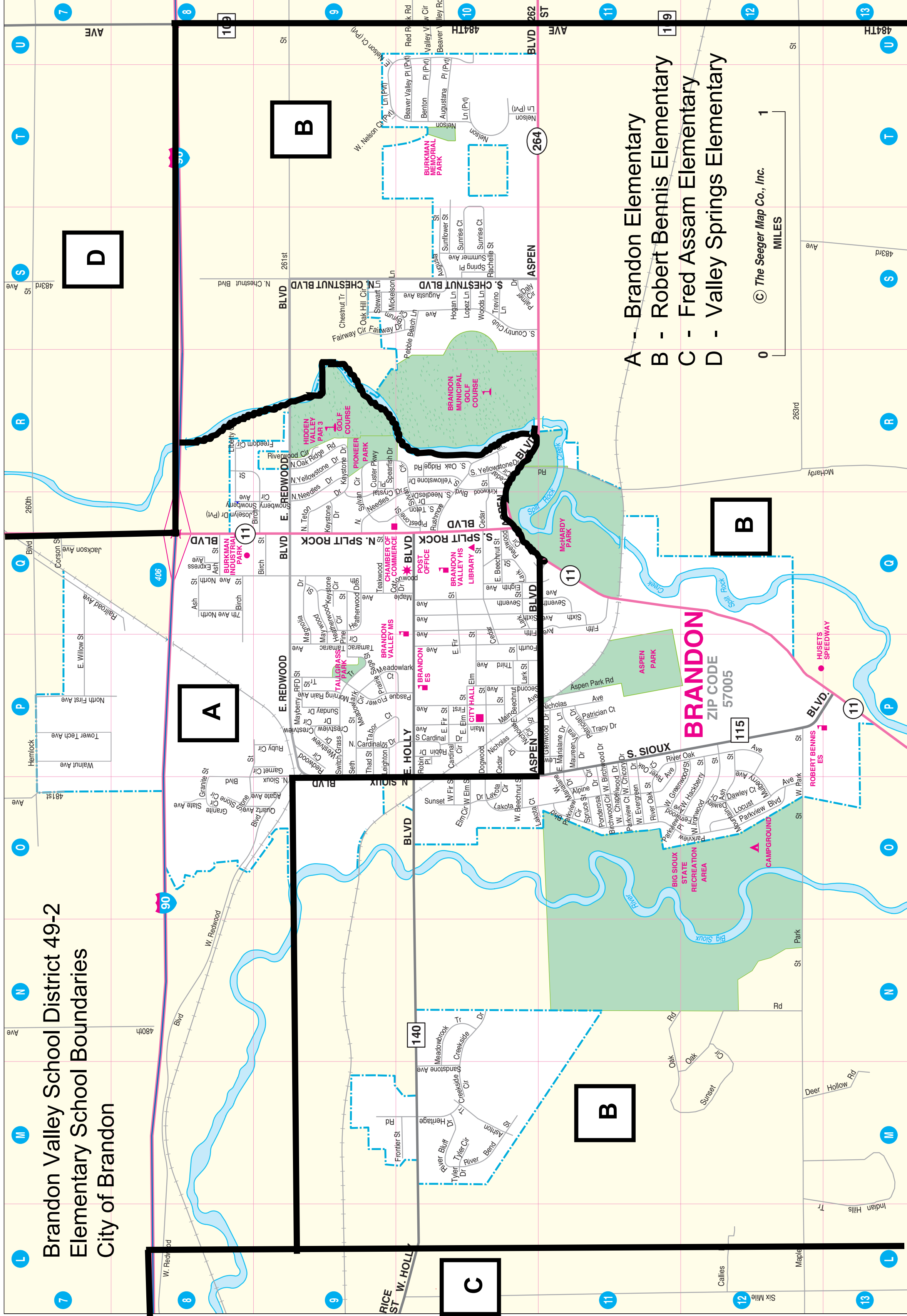
*This map illustrates the boundaries set forth by the Brandon Valley Board of Education (Board Policy JC). The Brandon Valley School District endorses the neighborhood school concept while maintaining full utilization of all elementary classrooms and teachers at all attendance centers. To achieve this 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 Valley Middle School

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Brandon Valley Middle School, home for grades 6-8, continues to grow. In 2006, the district completed an addition of six classrooms and a second gymnasium. Curriculum that meets and exceeds state standards is taught by an excellent and experienced staff. 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

2012-13 Enrollment .....788  
 Average Class Size .....26  
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%  
 Administrators.....Dan Pansch, Principal  
 Randal Hill, Assistant Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience ..... 13  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....40

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 3 Dedicated Computer Labs  
 Mini-Computer Lab in Media Center  
 Mobile Laptop Computer Lab  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 3 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in every Classroom  
 iPad Lab

## Community Involvement

Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO)

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grades 6 - 8

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <u>District</u>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>88</b>	11%
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	75	<b>90</b>	15%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	77	<b>84</b>	7%
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	77	<b>88</b>	11%
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	75	<b>90</b>	15%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	77	<b>84</b>	7%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Science</b> .....	71	<b>78</b>	7%

## Special Attributes

Gifted Education  
 ELL ~ English Language Learners program  
 Destination Imagination ~ Competitive problem solving  
 Lego League ~ Competitive Robotics program  
 Study Island  
 Auto Skills Reading and Math-computer program  
 Read Naturally ~ a reading fluency program  
 Response to Intervention (RtI) ~ Reading instruction system  
 Quiz Bowl  
 Geography Bee  
 Spelling Bee  
 Special Education Services  
 Summer Tutoring Programs  
 School Play  
 Student Council  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services

## Extracurricular Opportunities - (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades)

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

## Academics – Core

Math  
 Science  
 Social Studies  
 English  
 Reading  
 Spelling

## Academics – Encore

Adolescent Skills  
 Art  
 Computer  
 General Music  
 Foreign Language  
 Physical Education  
 Health  
 Industrial Technology  
 Life Skills  
 Study Skills  
 ESL-English as a Second Language  
 Auto Skills

# Brandon Valley High School

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Brandon Valley High School is a 9-12 State accredited school serving more than 980 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 sixteen 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 2012, BVHS had the distinction of having the highest graduation rate of any "AA" school in the state at 97.74%.

Brandon Valley High School was originally constructed in 1967 with major additions/renovations occurring in 1974, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009 and 2010. 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. Our latest building project included classroom additions (9 regular and 6 science rooms), an indoor Activities Center to include 3 courts (2,800 seat capacity), weight room, trainer room, locker rooms, restrooms, and a community room. This latest building project opened in the fall of 2009. Along with the new addition, early in 2010 we have added a completely remodeled and expanded Art Room.

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](http://brandonvalley.k12.sd.us).



# Brandon Valley High School

## General Information

2012-13 Enrollment .....	988
Average Class Size .....	24
Average Attendance Rate .....	96%
Graduation Rate .....	97.74%
Administrators.....	Gregg Talcott, Principal Brad Thorson, Assistant Principal Randy Marso, Activities Director

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....	17
Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....	47

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 3 Dedicated Computer Labs  
 Laptop Computers for Student use  
 High-Speed Internet Access in Each Classroom  
 Video Teleconferencing Studio  
 Ratio of 1 Computer for Every 3 Students  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in all Classrooms

## Community Involvement

Athletic Booster Club  
 Band Parents Association  
 Jr./Sr. Parent Organization  
 Fine Arts Booster Club

## Special Attributes

Special Education Services  
 Quiz Bowl  
 Advanced Placement/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*

## ACT Tests

BV .....	23.5
State Average .....	21.8
National Average .....	21.0

### Academics Program for the Graduating Classes of 2014 - 2016 The 22 credits required include:

English .....	4.0 credits
Speech .....	0.5 credit
Social Science .....	3.5 credits
Mathematics .....	3.0 credits
Science (Laboratory) .....	2.0 credits
Computer Science .....	1.0 credit
Fine Arts .....	1.0 credit
Physical Education .....	0.5 credit
Personal Finance/Economics .....	0.5 credit
Other Electives .....	6.0 credits

## 2012 Dakota Step Test Results – Grade 11

	State		% Above
	<u>SD</u>	<u>BVHS</u>	<u>State Avg.</u>
Reading .....	72	<b>80</b>	9%
Math .....	70	<b>78</b>	8%
Science .....	68	<b>81</b>	13%

## 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	Boys/Girls Chorus
Softball	Concert Choir
Baseball	Orchestra
Boys/Girls Soccer	Art
Student Manager/Trainer	
Statistician	<u>Miscellaneous</u>
Competitive Cheer and Dance	FFA
	Student Council
	Peer Helpers
	Biology Club
	Drama Club
	Spanish Club
	National Honor Society
	Close-Up
	Technology Aides
	Art Club
	Senior Leadership Team

## Publications School Paper Yearbook

### Academics Program for the Graduating Class of 2017 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
Other Electives .....	4.5 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 trainer room, locker rooms, restrooms, and a community room.



## ESD Conference Championships

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

## State Championships

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

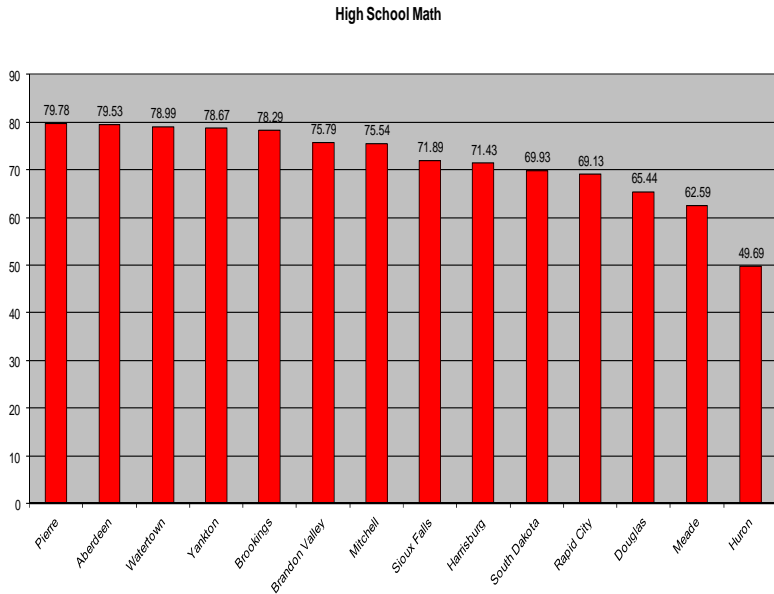
Along with the conference and state championships listed above, we have had several other runner-up finishes in other athletic activities, along with titles in numerous district and region competitions in several different activities.



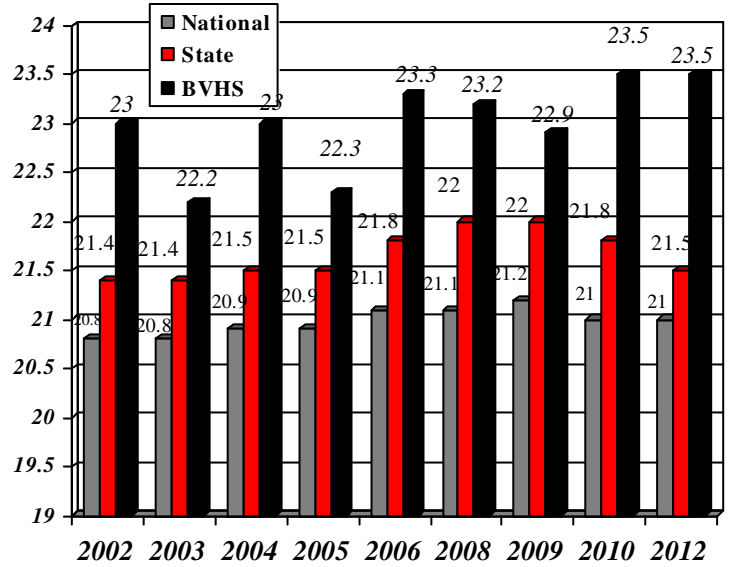
Fine Arts programs at Brandon Valley continue to flourish, with home performances being held in the state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center. The Brandon Valley marching Lynx are a perennial power to the parade and field show circuit. The band competes and performs on a national scale every three years, with recent experience in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, the Fiesta Bowl Parade and Field Competition, and their latest trip to the Gator Bowl Parade in Jacksonville, Florida in December of 2012. 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 Los Angeles, California in the summer of 2011. 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.

# Brandon Valley School District 49-2 District Report Card

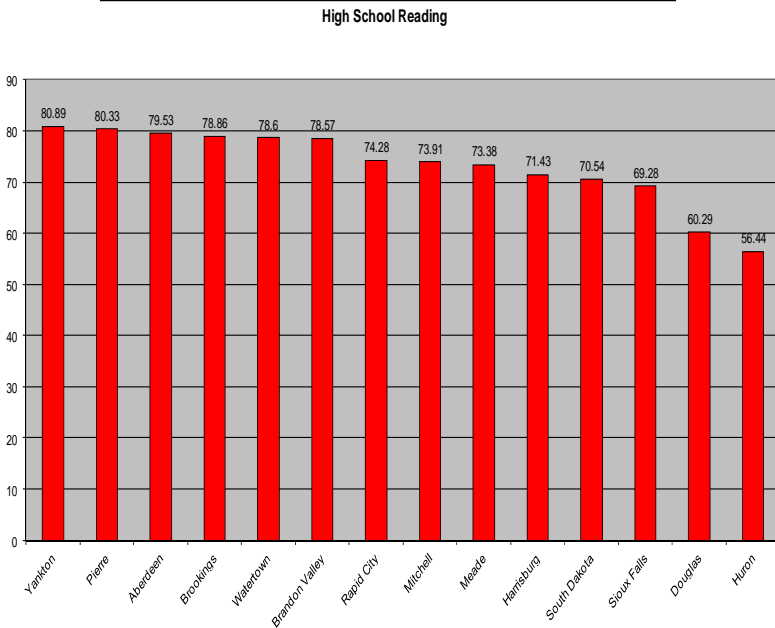
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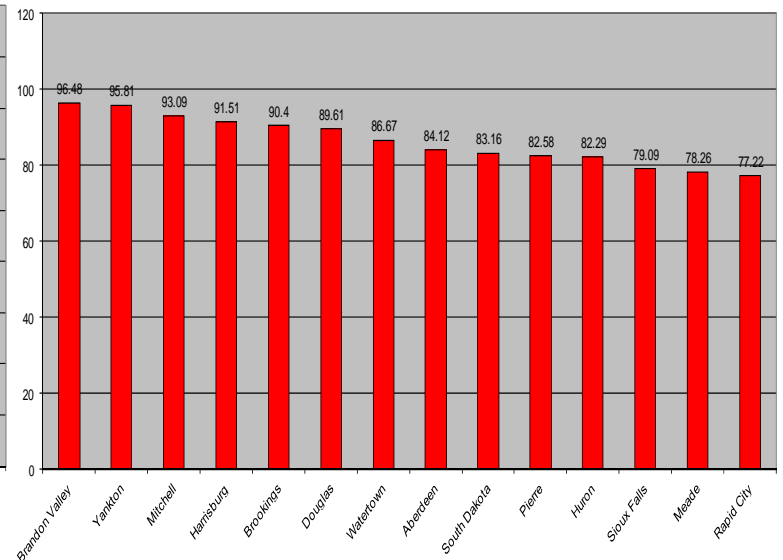
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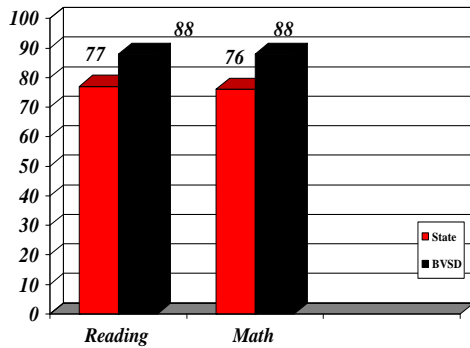


**Brandon Valley School District 49-2 was ranked #1 in “No Child Left Behind” benchmarks in Reading, Math, and Science along with our Graduation Rate and Attendance Rate as compared to AA schools in South Dakota!**

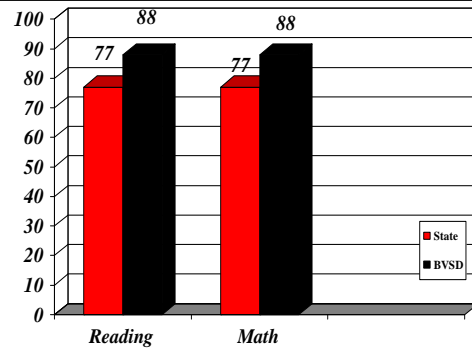
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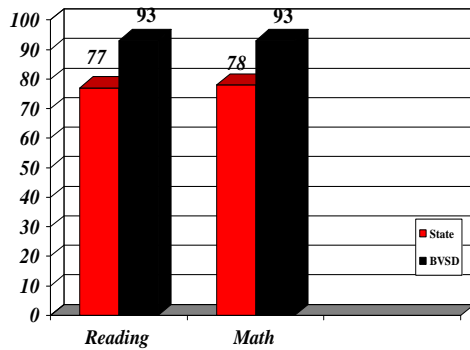
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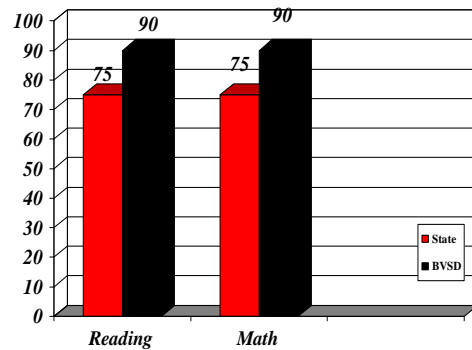
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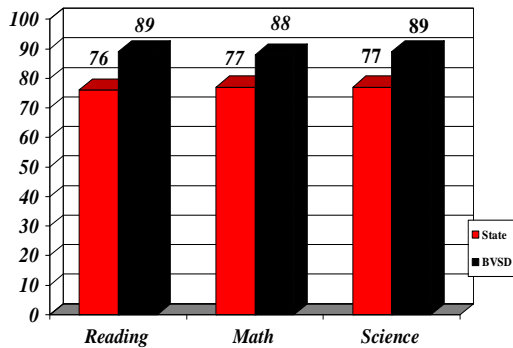
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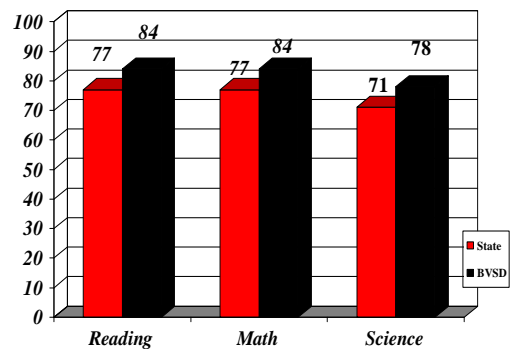
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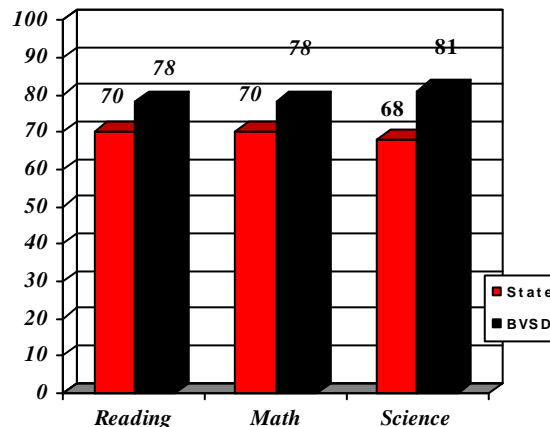
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Superintendent .....	582-2049
Business Manager .....	582-2058
Business Office Fax Number .....	582-7456
Operations Manager.....	582-2058
High School .....	582-3211
Activities Director.....	582-2886
High School Fax Number .....	582-2652
Middle School.....	582-3214
Middle School Fax Number.....	582-7206
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

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