Brandon Valley 2017 Teacher of the Year
Sarah Darling

Runners Up:
Amy Frantzen
Scott Giles

2017 Teacher of the Year candidates: (pictured left to right)
Matt Mueller-BV Intermediate School, Smart Lab
Kristin Hofkamp-Robert Bennis Elementary, 3rd Grade
Amy Frantzen-BV High School, Special Education
Sarah Darling-Brandon Elementary, 1st Grade
Scott Giles-Brandon Elementary, 4th Grade
Cynthia Schilf-BV Middle School, 8th Grade ELA & Reading
Kim Skibsted-BV Middle School, 7th Grade ELA & Reading

Teacher of the Year photo by
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Region II Teacher of the Year
Jeremy Risty

Brandon Valley School District is pleased to announce that our 2016 Teacher of the Year, Jeremy Risty (HS History Teacher), was selected as the Region II Teacher of the Year! Jeremy is now a nominee for the State Teacher of the Year, who will be selected this summer.
BRANDON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2017-2018 CALENDAR

Thurs, Aug 17
Mon, Aug 21
Tues, Aug 22
Wed, Aug 23
Mon., Sept 4
Fri., Oct 6
Mon., Oct 16 (regular dismissal)
Tues., Oct 17 (regular dismissal)
Fri., Oct 20
Wed., Oct 25
Fri., Nov 10
Wed.-Fri., Nov 22-24
Fri., Dec 22 (two hour early dismissal)
Dec 25- Jan 2
Thurs, Jan 11
Fri, Jan 12
Fri., Feb 16
Mon., Feb 19
Mon., Mar 12 (regular dismissal)
Tues., Mar 13 (regular dismissal)
Wed., Mar 14
Thurs., Mar 15
Fri., Mar 16
Thurs., Mar 29 (two hour early dismissal)
Fri.-Mon., Mar 30-Apr 2
Fri., April 13
Fri., April 27
Sun, May 20
Thurs., May 24 (two hour early dismissal)
Fri., May 25
Mon., May 28

New Staff In-service
A.M. In-service, P.M Workshop
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First Day of School
Labor Day - No School
In-service-No School
Conferences (IS/MS), 3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Conferences (Elementary/HS), 3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Comp Day-No School
End of First Quarter
Veteran's Day-No School
Thanksgiving Break-No School
Two hour early dismissal
Winter Break-No School
End of Second Quarter
A.M. Workshop, P.M In-service - Extra Paid Day
In-service
No School
Conferences (IS/MS), 3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
Conferences (Elementary/HS), 3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
End of Third Quarter
Snow Day-No School if unused
Comp Day-No School
Two hour early dismissal
Spring Break-No School
A.M. In-service, P.M Workshop-Extra Paid Day
Snow Day-No School if unused
Graduation
Last Day of School-End 4th Quarter
Workshop
Memorial Day
If you have a new student starting in the Brandon Valley School District, following are instructions for using the “New Student Online Enrollment Portal”.

If you do NOT have children enrolled in the Brandon Valley School District:
Visit our website at www.brandonvalleyschools.com
Click “New Student Online Enrollment” (located on right side of webpage)
From there, you will be instructed on how to proceed.

If you have other children already enrolled in the Brandon Valley School District:
Log onto your Family Access account at: www.brandonvalleyschools.com
   If you do not have a Family Access account, please call your school secretary or the BVSD Administration Center to set up an account.
Click on the “Skyward” tab on the left side of the screen
From dropdown menu, select “Family Access”
Log into your account
Click on the “New Student Online Enrollment” tab on the left side.
From there, you will be instructed on how to proceed.

NEW STUDENT ONLINE ENROLLMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOUR CHILD STARTS SCHOOL.

Please contact Jennifer at the Brandon Valley School District Administration Center (605-582-2049) if you have any questions.

www.brandonvalleyschools.com
Visit our district website to view information about each school in the district, school board policy, school board meeting agenda and minutes, our district calendar, and other useful information.
Outgoing Board of Education Member,
Sue Hegland

Sue Hegland has served two terms on the Brandon Valley Board of Education. Her three children and her husband are graduates of Brandon Valley High School, and she has appreciated the opportunity to be part of this exceptional district for the last six years.

Sue is passionate about literacy and she teaches and writes about the fact that our English spelling system is completely consistent, logical and meaningful. Spelling reveals deep and fascinating connections between words — connections in both structure and meaning. Uncovering those connections allows us to spell and read more easily and to understand what we read more deeply. If that seems doubtful to you, take a look at the informational website she is developing:  https://learningaboutspelling.com/

Sue is trained in Structured Word Inquiry and the Orton-Gillingham approach. She serves on the board of directors and as chair of the education committee for the Upper Midwest Branch of the International Dyslexia Association.

Thank you, Sue!

Sue Hegland has been a very valuable member of the BV Board of Education for six years. I have appreciated her input on all topics, but especially related to Curriculum and Technology. She is passionate about Dyslexia and Reading and I believe our district is in a better place having had her expertise on these topics. I wish Sue well in her future endeavors and hope that she continues to challenge the Brandon Valley School District to do what is best for our students! Thank you, Sue, for all you have done for the BV School District and the Board of Education. You will be missed.

Renee Ullom-Board of Education President

It has been an absolute pleasure working with Member Hegland over the last year. Sue is an incredible advocate for students and teachers. She has played a critical role in the development of our district’s reading protocol. Her leadership and knowledge has had a tremendous impact on student outcomes within the Brandon Valley School District. Sue - Thank you for your time, effort, and servant leadership through your tenure as a Brandon Valley Board of Education member!

Dr. Jarod M. Larson, Superintendent