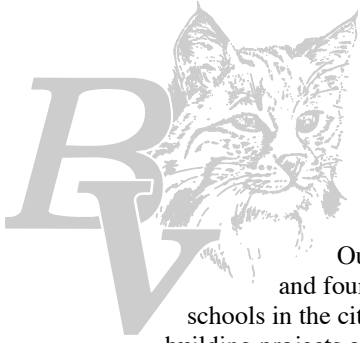


**“Home of the Lynx”**

**BRANDON VALLEY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 49-2**

*Spring 2024*



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 5,000 students today making it the fourth largest school district in South Dakota. The three districts larger than Brandon Valley include Sioux Falls, Rapid City, 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 two elementary schools in Brandon, and two elementary schools 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 served our growing student population:

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>
2017	<i>Opening of the Brandon Valley School District Maintenance Shop</i>
2017	<i>Brandon Valley Middle School STEM Lab addition &amp; Entrance/Music Room remodel/addition</i>
2021	<i>Opening of the new Inspiration Elementary School</i>
2023	<i>Brandon Valley High School Classroom Addition</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. 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 over 600 staff. This includes 315 teaching staff, 270 classified staff and 18 administrators. There are more than 2,100 students bused daily.

Students have a full range of extracurricular choices in athletics, music, speech, and drama, and Brandon Valley is well known around the 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 Brandon Valley Performing Arts Center has brought the drama program performances to a superior level. Spring musicals sell out multiple 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 strong viable 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.

**Dr. Jarod M. Larson**  
*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 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

2023-2024 Enrollment .....682  
 Average Class Size (K-4) .....23  
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%  
 Administrator .....Merle Horst, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....11  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....45

## Technology

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

## Special Attributes

Title I Resources  
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program  
 ELL ~ English Language Learners Program  
 Response to Intervention ~ reading instruction  
 Early Childhood Special Education Program  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 Jr. Kindergarten  
 Boys & Girls Club ~ After School Care  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services  
 Seesaw

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music

## Community Involvement

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

## Academics

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

## 2022-23 SD State Assessments in Reading and Math

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <i>District</i>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	45%	<b>73%</b>	28%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	47%	<b>75%</b>	28%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	51%	<b>69%</b>	18%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	48%	<b>75%</b>	27%



# 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

2023-2024 Enrollment .....564  
 Average Class Size (K-4) .....25  
 Average Attendance Rate.....94%  
 Administrator ..... Kristin Hofkamp, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....15  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....36

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information*  
 Dedicated Computer Lab  
 Mobile Tablets and iPad Carts  
 High-Speed Internet Access and Wireless Access  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

## 2022-23 SD State Assessments in Reading and Math

	State SD	BV District	% Above State Avg.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading	45%	73%	28%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading	47%	75%	28%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Math	51%	69%	18%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	48%	75%	27%

## Special Attributes

Response to Intervention ~ reading instruction  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 Boys & Girls Club ~ Before and After School Care  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music

## 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

*During the 2017-18 school year, Robert Bennis Elementary was recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School.*

# 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 prepares and celebrates each student to succeed in a changing world.

## General Information

2023-24 Enrollment .....499  
 Average Class Size (K-4) .....23  
 Average Attendance Rate.....99%  
 Administrator ..... Susan Foster, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....13.5  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....28

## Technology

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

## 2022-23 SD State Assessments in Reading/Math

	State <u>SD</u>	<i><b>BV</b></i> <i><b>District</b></i>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b>	45%	<b>73%</b>	28%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b>	47%	<b>75%</b>	28%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b>	51%	<b>69%</b>	18%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b>	48%	<b>75%</b>	27%

## Special Attributes

Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program  
 Walk to Read ~ leveled reading instruction  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 Jr. Kindergarten  
 Boys & Girls Club Ignite ~ After School Care  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services ~ PBIS

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music

## 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 2017-18 school year, Fred Assam Elementary was selected as a National Title I Distinguished School. This recognition is due to the success of our educational programs and progress made by our students.*

*Fred Assam Elementary School was selected as an Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School ~ 2023.*



# Inspiration Elementary School

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Inspiration Elementary was opened in the fall of 2021 on the east side of Sioux Falls within the Brandon Valley School District. The building is designed to serve the educational needs of Junior K through 4th grade students focused on meeting the individual needs of each student and creating learning environments that result in success. 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 Brandon Valley School District.

## General Information

2023-24 Enrollment .....320  
 Average Class Size (K-4) .....22  
 Average Attendance Rate.....96%  
 Administrator ..... Tanya Palmer, Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....15  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....26

## Technology

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

## 2022-23 SD State Assessments in Reading and Math

	<u>State</u> <u>SD</u>	<u>BV</u> <u>District</u>	<u>% Above</u> <u>State Avg</u>
<u>Avg.</u>			
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	45%	<b>73%</b>	28%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	47%	<b>75%</b>	28%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	51%	<b>69%</b>	18%
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	48%	<b>75%</b>	27%

## Special Attributes

Boost-Up  
 Accelerated Reader ~ computerized reading program  
 ELL ~ English Language Learners Program  
 Walk to Read ~ leveled reading instruction  
 IXL  
 Seesaw  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 Nursing Services  
 Counseling Services  
 Boys & Girls Club ~ After School Care

## Fine Arts

Vocal Music

## Community Involvement

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

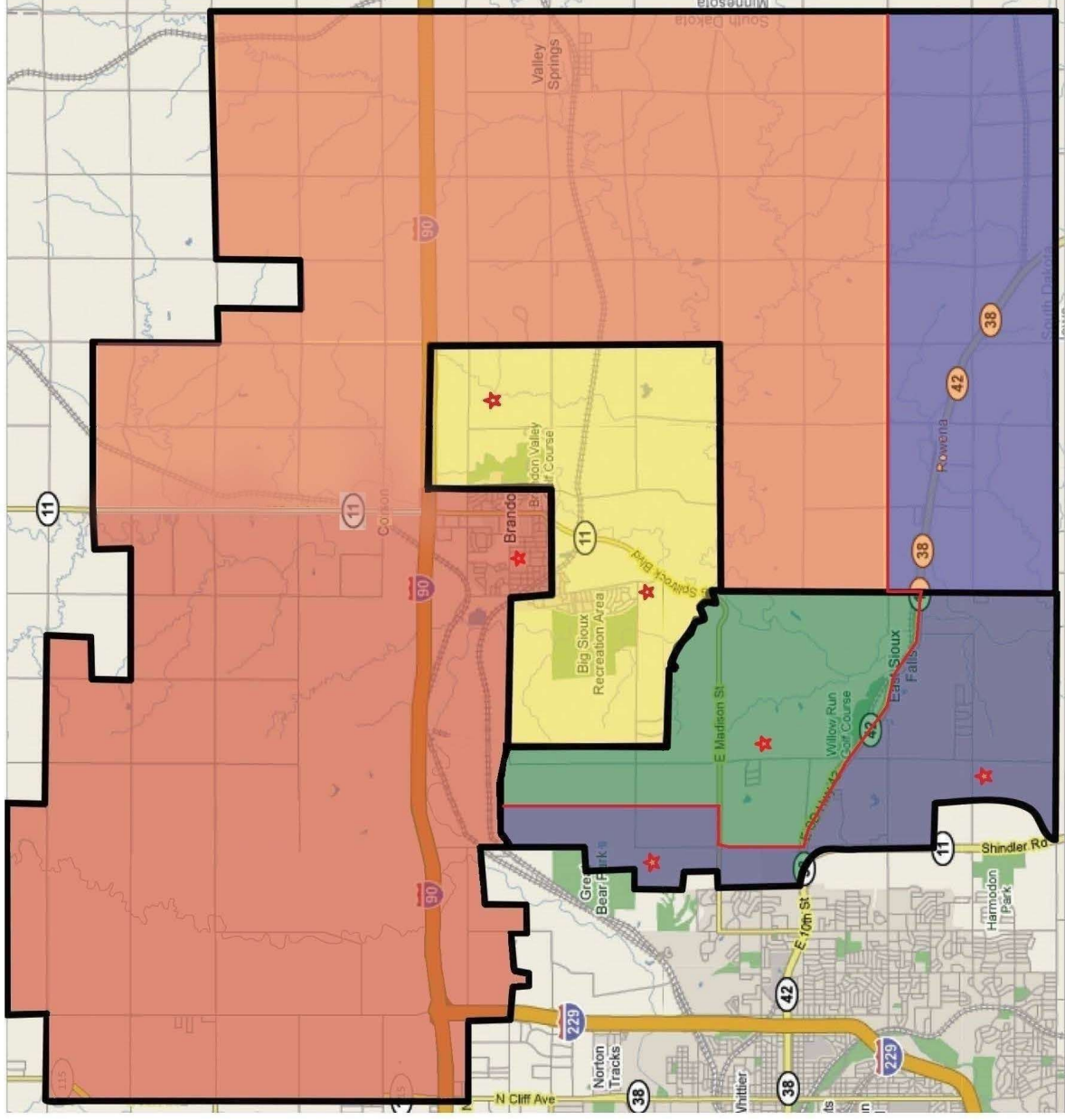
## Academics

Math  
 Social Studies  
 Physical Education  
 Computer  
 Spelling  
 Art

Science  
 English  
 Health  
 Reading  
 Written Expression  
 Library

# District Elementary Boundaries Effective 2024-25 School Year

*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.*



- IE - Inspiration Elementary
- FAE – Fred Assam Elementary
- BE – Brandon Elementary
- RBE – Robert Bennis Elementary



# Brandon Valley Intermediate School

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Brandon Valley Intermediate School opened in the fall of 2015. We are home for the district’s 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade student body 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 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to learn in a unique and creative environment that has components of both elementary and middle school settings.

## General Information

2023-24 Enrollment .....787  
 Average Class Size .....25  
 Average Attendance Rate.....95%  
 Administrators.....Nick Skibsted, Principal  
 Rick Pearson, Assistant Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....14  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....53

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 1 to 1 Devices for students – Chromebooks  
 Mobile iPad Labs  
 High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in each classroom

## Community Involvement

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)  
 Junior Achievement

## 2022-23 Smarter Balanced Test Results

(Data based on all students assessed)

	State <u>SD</u>	<i>BV</i> <u>District</u>	% Above <u>State Avg.</u>
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	49%	<b>70%</b>	.....21%
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Reading</b> .....	45%	<b>73%</b>	.....28%
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	39%	<b>63%</b>	.....24%
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade <b>Math</b> .....	40%	<b>66%</b>	.....26%

## Special Attributes

Counseling Services  
 ELL ~ English Language Learners Program  
 ICU ~ Homework Completion Program  
 Nursing Services  
 Power Hour ~ After School Homework Help  
 Spelling Bee  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 PBIS ~ Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports:  
 Tier I and Tier II supports  
 Character Initiative ~ The LYNX Way

## Extracurricular Opportunities

Art Club  
 STEM Club  
 Chess Club  
 Piano Club  
 Reading Club

## Fine Arts

Chorus  
 Instrumental Music  
 Orchestra  
 Jazz Band

## Academics – Core

Math  
 Science  
 English/Reading  
 Social Studies

## Academics – Encore

Art  
 General Music  
 STEM Lab  
 ELL ~ English Language Learners  
 Computer  
 Physical Education



# Brandon Valley Middle School

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Brandon Valley Middle School is home to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the school district. The middle school provides a challenging curriculum that meets and exceeds state standards. Classes are taught by an experienced staff who challenge 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

2023-24 Enrollment ..... 725  
 Average Class Size ..... 27  
 Administrators ..... Dr. Amanda Nelson, Principal  
 ..... Adam Rothenberger, Assistant Principal

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience ..... 14  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff ..... 43  
 School Counselors ..... 2

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline, and scheduling*  
 1:1 Student Chromebooks, Three Computer Labs  
 High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access  
 SMARTBoard™ Technology in classrooms  
 STEM Lab: *Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics*

## 2022-23 Smarter Balanced Test Results

	State SD	BVMS	% Above State Avg
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA	51%	67%	16%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA	49%	68%	19%
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	41%	57%	16%
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	38%	58%	20%

## Extracurricular Opportunities

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

## Fine Arts

Chorus	Music Lessons
Orchestra	Jazz Band
Holly Blvd Harmony Choir	Concert Band
Percussion Ensemble	

## Special Attributes

Accelerated Programming  
 Art Club  
 Best Buddies  
 Board Games Club  
 Chess Club  
 Counseling Services  
 ELL: English Language Learners Program  
 Nursing Services  
 Power Hour: After school tutoring  
 PTSO: Parent-Teacher-Student Organization  
 RAD: Random Acts of Diffusion  
 READ 180/System 44: Reading Enhancement Program  
 SADD/TATU: Students Against Destructive Decisions/Teens Against Tobacco Use  
 School Play/Musical  
 Special Education Services  
 Student Council  
 Tier II: Social Skills Program  
 Yearbook

## Academics – Core

MathEnglish/Language Arts  
 Science  
 Social Studies

## Academics – Encore

Art  
 STEM Lab  
 Career Education  
 Broadway & Beyond  
 Rock: Through the Ages  
 Physical Education  
 Family & Consumer Science (FACS)  
 ELL: English Language Curriculum  
 Pottery  
 Computer  
 Lynx Learning  
 Guitar  
 Health  
 Peer PE

# Brandon Valley High School

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Website: <https://brandonvalley.k12.sd.us/bvhs/>



Brandon Valley High School is a grades 9-12 state-accredited school serving more than 1,400 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 75 percent of our graduating seniors go on to some form of higher education with an additional 4% entering the military. Traditionally, over 60 percent of our students participate in one or more extra-curricular activities.

The staff averages over 16 years of teaching experience with over half holding master's 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. Based on state and national test results, BVHS consistently ranks as one of South Dakota's top performing Class AA high schools. Our students have access to some of the finest facilities in the region. In addition, Brandon Valley High School is a one-to-one school with all high school students being issued a MacBook Air laptop.

Brandon Valley High School was originally constructed in 1967 with major additions/renovations occurring in 1974, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2016 and 2023. The state-of-the-art 800 seat theater/auditorium complex is used by students throughout the district for various fine-arts performances, along with numerous community events/performances. The joint city/county/school library provides our students and the public with access to a wide range of materials and technology. The outdoor 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 for more information.





# Brandon Valley High School

## General Information

2023-24 Enrollment .....1,406  
 Average Class Size .....24  
 5-Year Average Attendance Rate ..... 93%  
 Administrators: Mark Schlekeway, *Principal*  
 Mitzi Moore, *Associate Principal*  
 Jordan Paula, *Associate Principal*  
 Bill Freking, *Activities Director*

## Faculty Information

Average Years of Experience .....16  
 Average Years of Experience at BV .....11  
 Number of Certified Teaching Staff .....64

## Technology

Family Access: *Parent portal to grades, lunch account information, discipline & scheduling*  
 MacBook Air laptop for every student  
 High-Speed Internet and Wireless Access

## Community Involvement

Athletic Booster Club  
 Band Booster Club  
 Fine Arts Booster Club  
 Senior Parent Organization

## Special Attributes

Special Education Services  
 College Credit, Advanced Placement,  
 Dual Enrollment, Honors Courses, PLTW Courses  
 Internship, Paid Internship Programs  
 Career & Technical Academy of Sioux Falls: *BV is affiliated with the Sioux Falls School District to provide career and technical curriculum for students.*

## BVHS Class of 2023 (304 Graduates)

### ACT Test Results

BVHS Average .....23.30  
 'AA' Average.....21.90  
 State Average.....21.00  
 National Average .....19.50

### Additional Data

Average GPA .....3.18  
 Highest Honor Graduates (3.9-4.0 GPA).....64  
 High Honor Graduates (3.8-3.89) .....20  
 Honor Graduates (3.7-3.79) .....18  
 BVHS Graduation Rate..... 97%  
 Class AA Graduation Rate ..... 87%  
 State Graduation Rate ..... 84%

## 2023 State Testing Results – Smarter Balanced

	<u>BVHS</u>	<u>'AA'</u>	<u>STATE</u>
Smarter Balanced Math.....	66%	41%	43%
Smarter Balanced ELA .....	83%	68%	50%
Smarter Balanced Science.....	65%	56%	43%

## Academics Program for the Graduating Classes of 2024-27

### The 22 credits required include:

English.....	4.0 credits
Speech .....	0.5 credit
Social Science.....	3.0 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 .....	5.0 credits

## Extracurricular Opportunities

### Athletics

Baseball  
 Basketball–Boys & Girls  
 Bowling–Boys & Girls  
 Competitive Cheer & Dance  
 Cross Country–Boys & Girls  
 Football  
 Golf–Boys & Girls  
 Powerlifting–Boys & Girls  
 Sideline Cheerleading  
 Soccer–Boys & Girls  
 Softball  
 Volleyball  
 Track & Field–Boys & Girls  
 Wrestling–Boys & Girls

### Fine Arts

Art  
 Marching Band  
 Jazz Band  
 Symphonic Band  
 Wind Ensemble Band  
 Concert Choir  
 Lynx Choir  
 Chamber Choir  
 Orchestra  
 Chamber Orchestra  
 Fall Play  
 One-Act Play  
 Spring Musical  
 Oral Interpretation

### Miscellaneous

Art Club/Creative Minds  
 Best Buddies  
 Biology Club  
 Cinema Club  
 Collision  
 Digital Media Productions  
 Drama Club  
 FCA  
 FFA  
 First Priority  
 HOSA  
 Math NHS  
 NHS  
 Peer Helpers  
 Quiz Bowl  
 SADD/TATU  
 SALSA  
 Spanish Club  
 Special Olympics  
 Student Aides  
 Student Council  
 Trapshooting  
 Yearbook



# 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 recent renovation was the installation of Field Turf in the fall of 2018 and new scoreboard/sound system at the stadium complex in 2020. Our 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	2021, 2007, 1998, 1997
Girls Basketball	2019, 2009, 1999, 1998
Competitive Cheer	2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012, 2007
Girls Cross Country	2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2014, 2012
Boys Cross Country	2020, 2014, 2011, 2009
Dance	2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012
Football	2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2008, 2006, 2000, 1999, 1997, 1996
Boys Golf	2014, 2012, 2011
Boys Soccer	2019
Girls Soccer	2022, 2021
Boys Tennis	2021, 2019
Girls Tennis	2019, 2014
Boys Track & Field	2023, 2022, 2018, 2017, 2014, 2013, 2012
Girls Track & Field	2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014
Volleyball	2021
Wrestling	2023, 2022, 2021, 2020

*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.*

## Metro Conference Championships

Girls Basketball	2017
Girls Cross Country	2023, 2022, 2014
Dance	2022, 2021, 2020, 2019
Girls Soccer	2020, 2019
Girls Track & Field	2021, 2019, 2018, 2015, 2014
Boys Track & Field	2022
Volleyball	2015
Wrestling	2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017

## State Championships

Boys Basketball	2019, 1998
Girls Basketball	2019, 2011
Boys Bowling	2010
Girls Bowling	2004
Competitive Cheer	2017, 2016, 2007
Girls Cross Country	2023, 2017
Dance	2023, 2022, 2021, 2014
Football	2020, 2018, 1998, 1990, 1989, 1988, 1985, 1984
Boys Golf	2014
Girls Soccer	2020
Boys Track and Field	1986, 1985
Girls Track and Field	2021, 2018
Wrestling	2023, 2022, 2021



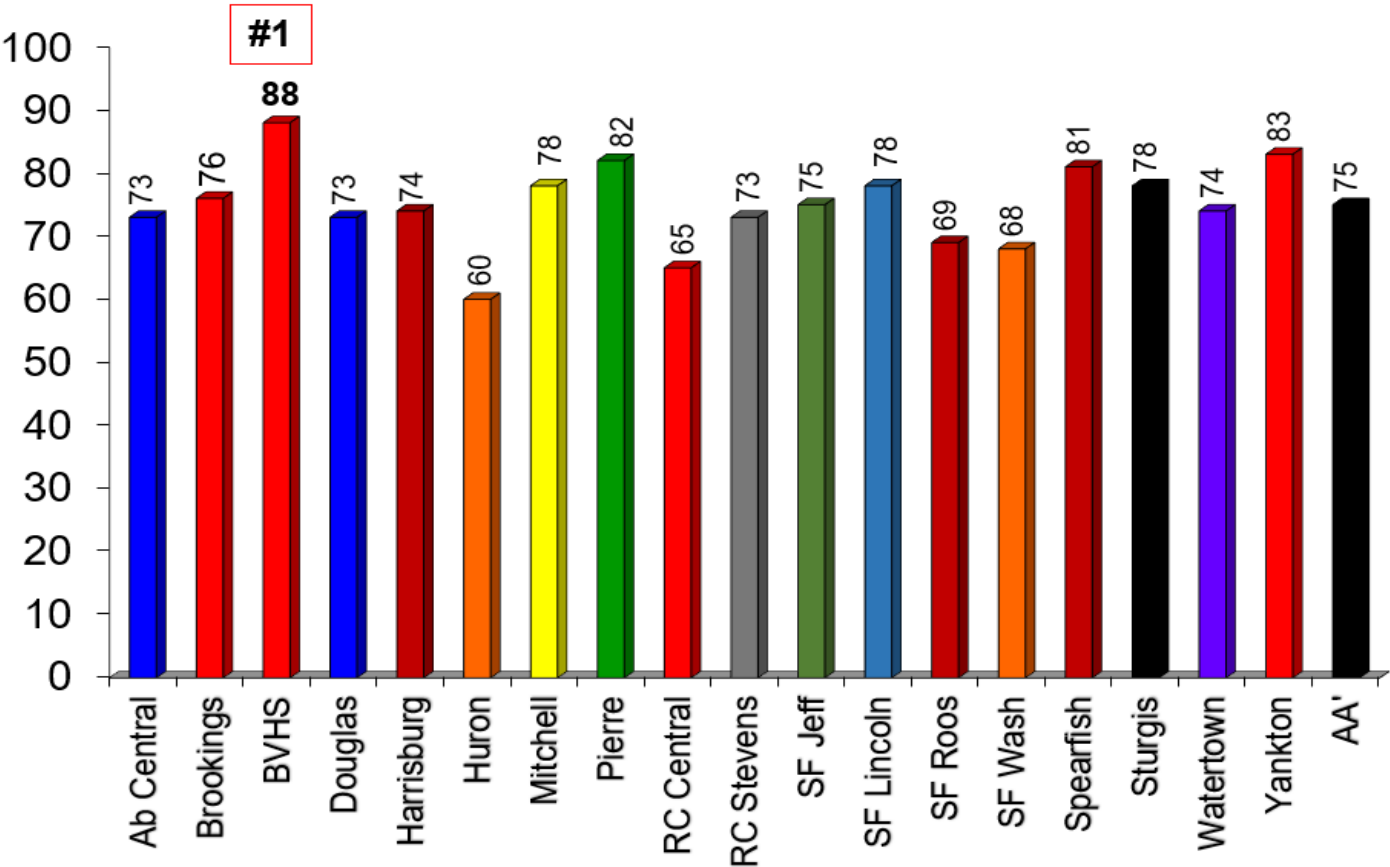
Fine Arts programs at Brandon Valley continue to flourish, with home performances being held in the state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center. The Brandon Valley Marching Lynx are a perennial power to the parade and field show circuit. The band competes and performs on a national scale every three years, with experiences in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, the Fiesta Bowl Parade and Field Competition, and the Liberty Bowl Parade. 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. 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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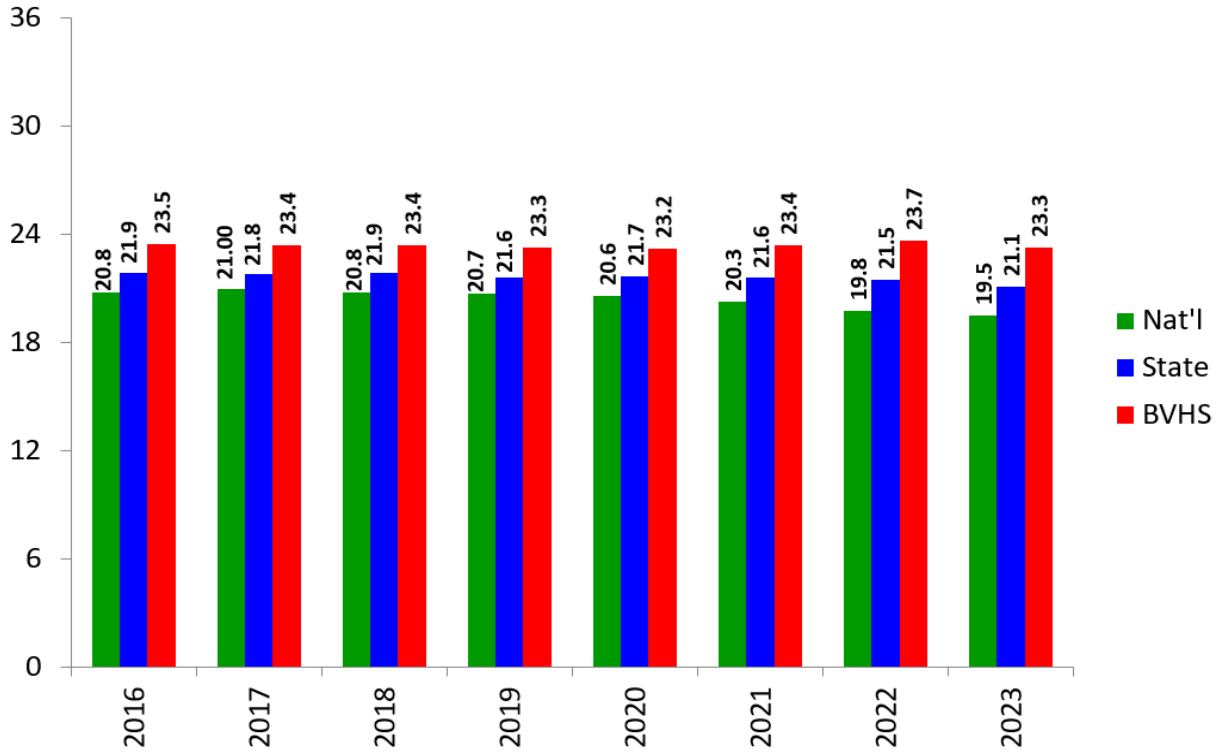
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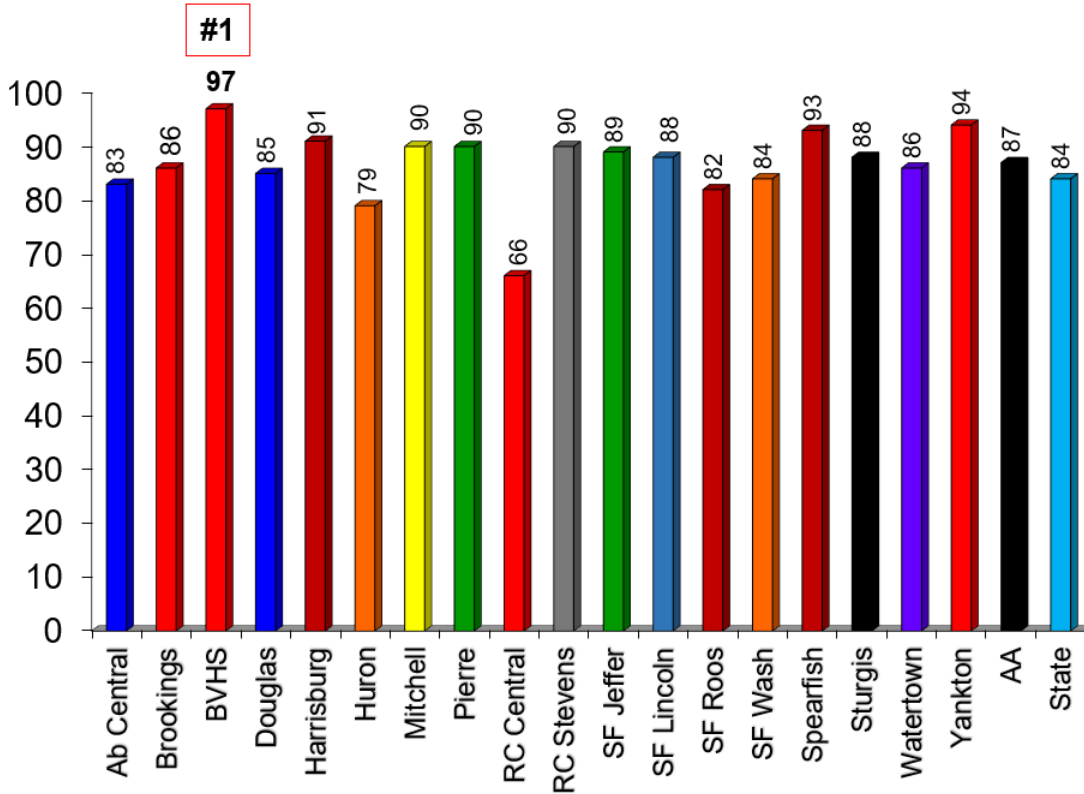
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# BVHS ACT COMPOSITE RESULTS 2016 – 2023



## 2023 On-Time Graduation Rate 'AA' HS





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