



Brookings School District

Empowering all learners to embrace and be inspired to realize their potential

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TO: Board of Education
FROM: Stacey VanBeek
RE: Administrative Report
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Business Services updates:

A Great Place to Learn

- Every day I find myself learning something new about the district or an easier or different way to accomplish my everyday tasks.

A Great Place to Work

- I am continually in awe of the people I work with. Daily, I see administrators, teachers, and other staff going above and beyond for the district and our students. The best interest of the masses is always kept in mind, and I am so grateful to work in such a forward-thinking district.
- The auditors were onsite October 9 for our annual audit and I continued to work with them remotely on October 10. The audit team was happy with our reporting methods and all the information we provided electronically ahead of time made the audit flow smoothly.

A Great Place to Collaborate

- I attended the 58th annual Fall SDASBO (South Dakota Association of School Business Officials) conference in Oacoma September 24-26. It is always a pleasure to meeting with colleagues from around the state to learn from each other, as well as attend all the sessions from the SD DOE, KSB Law, and other experts across the area.
- With enrollment being up over last year, I look forward to working with the administration and the finance committee to see where we can supplement our 2024-2025 budget to be most effective and provide additional needed services for our students.

A Responsible District

- Keith Fodness and I are in continual conversations about what the immediate needs of the district are, in regards to facilities upkeep and future projects. We will begin to work with other administration to fine tune the long-term Capital Outlay plan, aligning expenditures with the greatest needs.
- As I prepare monthly reports I am keeping a close eye on expenditures and reaching out to principals if I see something out of the ordinary or that needs to be addressed.