

Brookings School District

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

DAKOTA PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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TO: Board of Education

FROM: Sarah Wiebersick, Dakota Prairie Elementary Principal

RE: Administrative Report

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★ A Great Place To Learn

- The staff started their literacy stations in ECE/PREK, with full inclusion of Alex's ECE kids. There was some work on letter ID with gross motor, social skills with the SLP, clay letters/names, and Learning Without Tears letter work. Pictures below.
- Mrs. Holm and the 3rd graders decorated coffee sleeves for Kool Beans to help spread kindness during Kindness Week. Picture below.

★ A Great Place To Work

- o In December we gifted staff "snackle boxes" which are containers with different compartments in them. We surprise them with snacks to fill their boxes to help lift everyone's spirits. This month we surprised them during the week of conferences. Staff gather in the workroom and fill their boxes for the week! Picture below.
- o Kelsey Marker was named DP and District Teacher Of The Year!
- o Carleen Holm was named DP Support Person Of the Year!

★ A Great Place To Collaborate

 Spring conferences were attended by families that requested meetings or were invited by teachers. This time is used to share academic and/ or behavioral data so we can work with families to support our learners.

★ A School District of Excellence

- o Mrs. Hove's third-grade class won the 2025 Squat Challenge brought on by Hy-Vee. Her class had one of the highest averages of squats per student, competing with over 766 classrooms across the US. Their classroom prize was a gift card for the teacher and jerseys for the learners. The building prize is a Kids Fit Assembly for all DP learners. They will provide snacks, Gatorade water bottles, and positive behavior rewards for all!
- PBIS is a district-wide incentive, and our work aligns with interventions district-wide. We just added a PBIS store for incentives for our 2nd and 3rd-grade students that parent volunteers run. Learners save their Bobcat Bucks to shop once a month. Pictures below.



Literacy Centers in PreK



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Snackle Boxes



PBIS Store



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