



# Brookings School District

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## 1. Projects / Safety Assessment Issues

We have been in conversation with the city regarding “No Mow May”. We hoped to work in tandem with the City of Brookings and their plans, as we have a partnership with them for the mowing responsibility on most of our school properties. After discussing the concept of not mowing through the entire month of May, it was evident that we would not be able to participate on a large scale. The process of reclaiming these grasses to a manicured position before the June 6<sup>th</sup> deadline would not be possible. However, the BSD will be participating with a fairly large area that is located just west of the Bus Garage and south of the Brookings High School!

## 2. Transportation

I was able to be a part of a conference in Sioux Falls that was hosted by the National Weather Service. The focus of the meeting was the “Integrated Warning Team”. Understanding in greater detail the process and language used for alerting the public during severe weather events was an important take away for me. I was able to meet and make relationships with many different entities involved with weather safety. Overall, it was good to hear from other professionals that deal with weather hazards and the frustrations that many people can face when trying to keep the public safe, especially after the winter we just had!

Again, thank you for serving on the Brookings School District Board.

Respectfully,

**Nate Loehr**

Director of Transportation, Buildings and Grounds

“Safety, Care & Cost”