

BNAS Board Report September 2026



Lodge Poles:

We have two lodges in the BNAS department. Both of them are 24 feet high and we have never had large enough lodge poles to pitch them due to lack of facilities but now we are proud to have 42 lodge poles, each long enough to pitch our lodges. In early September we purchased two sets of lodges poles from Walter Running Crane. Jo Ann Powell, Korrina Kennedy, Walter, and myself unloaded them into our fenced area.



Parent Meeting for Bullshoe BNAS:

BNAS hosted a parent meeting on September 3 to discuss reciprocal expectations of the immersion classes. Meeting was well attended by over 30 people, including grandmother, young parents, students, and staff. Excitement for more meet ups was prevalent and parents were eager to express their willingness to donate their time and labor for future collaborations.

Blackfoot Language:

More materials are continued be developed. The BNAS instructor coach is determined to help make things cohesive and user friendly for all BNAS staff. More powerpoint type lessons are being created with audio and video. In addition, the method ASLA has been highly utilized throughout the district and we are busy printing more image sets for all our staff. ASLA help facilitate an immersive environment that makes language instruction functional and logical. Efforts to instill a universal district writing system is still in place.

