

Bob Goheen

For 28 years Bob Goheen served as the director of bands at Brandon Valley High School in Brandon, South Dakota. Under his direction the concert bands, jazz bands, and marching band consistently received awards and superior ratings at music competitions in the tri-state area. Under his guidance the Brandon Valley High School marching band performed and competed in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Kansas City, Missouri, Orlando, Florida, Portland, Oregon, Hollywood, California, Washington, D.C., and New York City at the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade. The Brandon Valley Symphonic Band was invited to perform at the South Dakota Bandmasters Conference four times under his direction.

Educated at Minnesota State University in Mankato, Minnesota, Mr. Goheen received his Bachelor of Science degree in music education (1972) and his Master of Music degree in percussion performance (1976). Before coming to Brandon Valley he taught for ten years in Minnesota in the Granada-Huntley, Westbrook, and Jackson school districts. In 2000 he was recognized by the School Band and Orchestra Magazine as one of 50 influential band directors who have made a difference in the United States. Past awards include the 1993 Phi Beta Mu Music Fraternity's Outstanding Band Director Award, the 1998 Brandon Valley School's Teacher of the Year Award, the 2010 Phi Beta Mu Distinguished Service Award, the 2011 South Dakota Music Educators Association Distinguished Service to Music Award, and induction into the South Dakota Bandmasters Hall of Fame.

Mr. Goheen currently holds memberships in the Phi Beta Mu music fraternity and the South Dakota Bandmasters Association where he served as president from 2003-2005. Since retiring in 2010 he has been active as a clinician and adjudicator, working with elementary, middle school, and high school students throughout the tri-state area. He also works for South Dakota State University as a student teacher university supervisor in the Teaching, Learning, and Leadership Department. Bob and his wife Mary are the proud parents of two sons and two grandchildren.