

December 2015/January 2016

# PONCA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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It does not seem possible that the first semester of the 2015-2016 school year is nearly completed. With only three weeks between the Thanksgiving and Christmas vacation, the students must finish these last weeks of the first semester with a serious approach of completing homework on time and studying for all tests including the semester tests. Again this year, we experienced improved NeSA test results from last spring. Every student needs to understand the tremendous importance of the work completed in school especially the high school students. The students' classroom work should reflect academic growth and improvement. Not every student may earn a four-year college degree or a two-year community college degree, yet, it is important to establish a dedicated work ethic needed to enter the work force.

School Lunch – We have several people with outstanding lunch bills!! The food distribution companies do not allow the school to be delinquent on our bills, so please stay current with your child's lunch bill so we can stay current with our bills.  
**Please use Power School to monitor your child's lunch bill.**

Ponca Public Schools has 30 percent of our students on free or reduced priced lunch status. Any person with a child attending Ponca Public Schools, can apply for free or reduced price lunches. If we could get our total district percentage up to 40 percent of all students on free or reduced priced lunches, we could be receiving so many more federal dollars. The free or reduced lunch status is kept confidential and no child or adult knows the status of any student. Please consider applying for free or reduced lunches.

Remember the winter weather may force the closure of school, a late start, or an early dismissal. Please watch for school announcements on the local T.V. stations. Also, any phone number(s) or email address given to the school as an emergency contact will receive a message for the SchoolMessenger Calling System with regard to the cancellation of school. Please listen to the SchoolMessenger message **first** rather than calling the school immediately as we need to keep the phone lines open for emergency usage.

### **Upcoming Events:**

December 9<sup>th</sup>: Early dismissal (Jackson at 1:55 / Ponca at 2:15) Professional Development

December 22<sup>nd</sup>: Early dismissal (Jackson 1:10 / Ponca at 1:30) Christmas Vacation

December 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – NSAA Moratorium

December 23<sup>rd</sup> - January 5<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Vacation

January 6<sup>th</sup>: First Day of Second Semester

January 22<sup>nd</sup>: NO SCHOOL – Professional Development

January 29<sup>th</sup>: NO SCHOOL – Mid-Winter Break

**HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS**

**School patrons that have purchased a gym membership....please remember that students may not use the membership FOB to enter the building without parental supervision!!**

# News from Ms. Rinas, High School Principal

December is a short month, when you count the days in the classroom, and a packed month with the start of winter school activities. We hope everyone can take time to join us for our holiday music concerts, wrestling meets and basketball games. Our first semester ends on December 22, at 1:30 p.m. Students in grades 7-12 will write semester tests on December 21 and 22. Be sure to check the school calendar and this newsletter for the semester testing schedule.

On January 23, 2016, Ponca instrumental music students will be spending their day at the Lewis and Clark Conference Music Festival. The festival concert begins at 4:30 p.m. in the Ramsey Theater on the Wayne State College campus. Everyone is invited to the concert. Your concert attendance can help Ponca Schools bring home the traveling trophy for the most community members in attendance. Because this is a conference event the admission to the concert is \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students.

Doing what is right and completing with class are the choices we make in sportsmanship. As we enter the winter activities season, everyone is reminded that we all contribute to creating an atmosphere of good sportsmanship at our sporting events. To do what is right and compete with class we must be fans that cheer for our teams and not against our opponents. We must respect the officials' decisions. We must remember that SPORTSMANSHIP is pride in our school, our community, our team and ourselves.

## High School Semester

### Test Schedule

9-12 students who have a scheduled study hall the first or last test periods may be excused with written permission from a parent/guardian.

#### WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 21)

08:10-09:10	PERIOD 1	TEST
09:15-10:05	PERIOD 2	
10:10-11:10	PERIOD 3	TEST
11:15-11:42	PERIOD 4	
11:45-12:59	PERIOD 5	TEST
01:02-01:35	PERIOD 6	
01:40-02:40	PERIOD 7	TEST
02:45-03:05	PERIOD 8	
03:20-03:40	HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS	

#### TUESDAY (DECEMBER 22)

08:10-09:15	PERIOD 2	TEST
09:25-10:30	PERIOD 4	TEST
10:40-11:42	PERIOD 6	TEST
11:42-12:09	PERIOD 5/FIRST LUNCH	
12:09-12:36	PERIOD 5/SECOND LUNCH	
12:39-01:30	PERIOD 8	TEST

# News from Mr. Hayes, Elementary Principal

The holiday season has arrived and it is a busy time of year. We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Although it is a busy time of year, the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester is approaching very quickly. The semester ends on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students need to remain focused on academics and finish the semester with a strong academic performance. We will begin the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of MAP Testing the week of Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> please make sure your child gets plenty of rest.

With the winter season upon us, we are asking parents to make sure their children have the following items with them at school: **boots, hat, coat, snow pants, and gloves.** Please dress students appropriately for a normal winter school day; flip-flops, shorts, spaghetti-strap tops, and no socks are not appropriate attire for winter weather. The students go outside for recess on most days and winter clothing items are essential.

Basketball season is upon us and we want to remind parents students must sit down at the games. If students are allowed to run around it creates a dangerous situation for players, referees, students, and spectators. Please make sure your child is seated and watches the games. If your child is asked to sit down more than once during a game they will be required to sit with their parents. Please realize the safety of everyone in the gym is of the utmost importance.

Many different teams and individuals have reserved the gym for various activities in the next few months. Please remember to respect school property and supervise everyone that enters the building during your scheduled time. The school equipment will not be available during these times. Please bring your own equipment for practices and activities.

### Dates to mark!

- Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> Elementary Concert 7:00pm at Ponca School
- Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Pre-K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> Elementary Concert 7:00pm at Ponca School
- Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester
- Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> School Resumes, start of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

**HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

# Notes from the High School Guidance Office....

On Monday, December 7, 2015, at 6:00 P.M., a representative from Education Quest Foundation (Omaha, Nebraska) will present a financial aid workshop for students in grades 9-12 and their parents. The meeting will be held in the Commons Area of Ponca School. While the first part of the session will include general financial aid information for all grade levels, the second part of the meeting is specifically designed for seniors and their parents. Since financial aid is a critical component of post secondary education, any student considering training beyond high school, would benefit from this meeting. Discussion will include how to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA). Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. **SENIORS & PARENTS: This is an excellent local opportunity for you to learn about the FAFSA process.**

## 7-12 Parents:

Be sure to check the 7-12 Guidance icon on the school's webpage. We will be posting information on college, scholarship, and career opportunities on this page. Additionally, there will be articles of interest regarding personal and career information for your children. You will want to check it weekly. Thanks!

**PARENTS:** Are you looking for great summer academic camps for your kids in grades 8-11?

Check out the: "Big Red Summer Academic Camps" @ the following website! [www.bigredcamps.unl.edu](http://www.bigredcamps.unl.edu)

## Practice ACT Test scheduled at Ponca High School

A practice ACT Test will be given to voluntary juniors on Saturday morning, January 16, 2016.

The test is an actual ACT assessment which includes the following sections: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and Writing.

--Registration is scheduled from 7:30 A.M to 8:00 A.M.

--Testing begins at 8:00 A.M. and should be completed by 1:00 P.M.

Juniors need to pre-register for the **practice ACT** test by Thursday, January 7, 2016, at 3:45 P.M. Students pre-register in the high school guidance office. Testing will take place in Mr. Christensen's Room at Ponca High School. The test will be proctored by Mrs. Hassler.

Those students completing the practice test will then have an opportunity to review their results with the English, Math, and Science teachers this spring. This opportunity is provided as all P.H.S. juniors are encouraged to register for an actual ACT test.

This is a terrific opportunity for our students to learn how to prepare for this college entrance exam. It is great practice! Parents...make sure your junior son or daughter has registered for the practice ACT test! Contact the high school guidance office today (402) 755-5702.

### NEXT ACT Testing Date:

Packet Registration Deadline....January 8, 2016

Testing Date.....February 6, 2016

## HOBY Leadership Workshop

It is time for Ponca School to nominate two outstanding sophomore leaders to participate in the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership (HOBY) Workshop scheduled for June 3 – June 6, 2016, at Hastings College in Hastings, Nebraska.

As the nation's foremost youth leadership development organization — with more than 345,000 alumni — HOBY invites schools from every state in the nation to select a young student (sophomore) to attend a three-day interactive conference on leadership. During the conference students are introduced to distinguished leaders of business, technology, education, arts, science, media, and non-profit. HOBY participants enhance their leadership skills and discover that they are not alone in their desire to lead and to make their schools and communities better places.

Ponca High School sophomores are indeed fortunate as the participation in the conference is sponsored by the Bank of Dixon County. The BDC pays the \$545 registration fee for the two students and also provide one \$50 stipend to help defray travel expenses to the conference.

All sophomores are given an application to complete. Those students who return the completed application by the deadline are eligible for selection. A panel of P.H.S. teachers review and score the applications. The top two (highest scoring) applicants are then nominated to attend the conference. Ponca School can select two nominees and one alternate.

**Ponca sophomores received the applications on Friday, November 20, 2015, and completed applications are due to Mrs. Hassler by Wednesday, December 9, at 3:40 P.M.** Late applications will not be accepted. Parents please encourage your son or daughter to apply for this great leadership opportunity.

Reference Website: [www.hoby.org](http://www.hoby.org)



# P.H.S. Student Council Elves will be at it again!

It's that time of year again...**Holiday Cake Raffle time!** For several years now the Student Council Elves have hosted a decorated holiday cake raffle at a home basketball game prior to Christmas. The money raised at the cake raffle is donated to the *Student Council's Special Use Endowment of the Ponca Community Educational Foundation*. **This year our goal is to raise \$500 for our endowment.**

## Here's where we need your help...

- Make plans to attend the doubleheader basketball games on Thursday, December 10, 2015, when the Ponca Indians host the Randolph Cardinals in the Ponca School Gymnasium. Games begin at 4:45 P.M.
- Fans will be able to purchase tickets for \$1.00 a piece or 6 tickets for \$5.00 starting at 5:00 P.M.
- We will have 20 holiday cakes ready to be raffled (Half of the cakes will be raffled during halftime of the varsity girls' game and the other will be raffled during halftime of the boys' varsity game.)

Once the drawing has taken place, then the elves (with the help of the student council sponsors) will "gift wrap" the holiday cakes using decorated cellophane paper. At the conclusion of the games, the winners will then get to take a gift wrapped holiday cake home.

Thank you very much ahead of time for helping make our holiday cake raffle a success!

**PS....You will want to attend the games to see "Santa and Mrs. Claus" ask their "elves" to display the holiday cakes at halftime of each of the varsity games**



## Elementary Cheer Camp



Ponca High School Cheerleaders are planning an Elementary Cheer Camp  
Friday, January 22, 2016 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration will begin at 8:45 a.m.

The girls will perform at the Ponca vs. Bancroft-Rosalie game that evening.



## WINTER 2015-2016 Season Athletic Passes

Passes are good for all Ponca home regular season athletic events for the WINTER 2014-2015 Season.

Students	\$25.00	Adult	\$35.00
	Family		\$80.00

The passes cannot be used for conference tournament events.

Passes can be purchased during school hours 8:00am to 4:00pm in the business office at Ponca School.

**Senior Citizen Passes Available...**

As in the past we have senior citizen passes available for those patrons of the district who are over 65.

The passes are free of charge and are good for any activities at the school.

Bob Hayes, Athletic Director

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**PONCA'S NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** would like to thank those who donated dried/canned goods to the National Honor Society Food Drive during the month of October.

**PONCA'S LIBRARY** would like to extend their thank you to Jamie Hamar for her book donation.

## Christmas Gifts Ideas!!!



The Ponca Athletic Boosters have some items from the recent order in stock.

If you are needing a little "Ponca Blue" for a Christmas gift,

please give Cheri Albrecht a call at (402) 632-4645.

Items include: Stadium chairs, blankets, hats, basketball shorts, stocking hats and many different clothing items.



The Ponca Public School requests your help in locating handicapped children. The school implements the Federal Handicapped Children's Act (PL 94-142) and Nebraska statute which guarantees a free appropriate educational program for all children between birth and 21 years of age. If you have students or know of any young person who meets these criteria, please contact Superintendent's office.

# Tis' the Season... Ponca Public Schools Christmas Concerts



December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ponca Elementary 3-6<sup>th</sup> grades (Ponca's West Gym) at 7:00 pm  
December 11<sup>th</sup> – Jackson Elementary PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grades (Ponca's West Gym at 7:00 pm)  
December 14<sup>th</sup> – Ponca Jr. High at 6:30 and High School at 7:30 (Fine Arts Theater)



## Junior High & High School Pep Band Schedule:

Students are to be at the school at 5:30 to prepare for pep band.

Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>



## Upcoming Honor Bands

The Lewis and Clark Honor Band will be held on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at Wayne State College!  
Concert starts at 4:30. Hope to see you all there!!

USD Quad State Honor Band (High School) – Sunday & Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>

\*Results will come out at the end of December.

Wayne State Festival of Bands (High School & Junior High) – Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

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## Strong Foundations 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Band

The Strong Foundations 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Band will be held  
on January 11<sup>th</sup> at West Middle School in Sioux City

Students selected to participate are Alyssa Swick, Addie McGill, Grace Rooney,  
Lucas Hoelsing, Zach Fernau, AJ Janssen and Chase Kastning.

Please check out Ponca's website for information regarding this event.

## Congratulations to the following Ponca Junior High students for being selected to the "Singing Youth of Nebraska Honor Choir"!

This event will be held Saturday, January 23, 2016 at the Performing Arts Center of North Platte High School, North Platte, Nebraska. These 120 gifted, seventh, eighth and ninth grade singers from across the state were selected to participate in this choir. Brett Amundsen will be the guest conductor. He has planned a varied and exciting concert for everyone to participate in.

Olivia Hrouda-8th grade-Soprano

Hailey Zimmerman-9th grade-Soprano

Claire Hoelsing-9th grade-Soprano

Maddie Riley-7th grade-Alto

Kaden Fileds-7th grade-Bass

Nathan Bauman-8th grade-Bass

Colson Watchorn-9th grade-Bass

Alternates:

Sarah Beach-7th grade-Soprano




Vanyel Greer-8th grade-Tenor






The Ponca Public School Fine Arts Department is holding auditions for  
High School and Jr. High Comedy Show  
to be held March 31<sup>st</sup> & April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Auditions will be held January 7<sup>th</sup> through January 12<sup>th</sup>. Auditions are open to all students 7-12 and include opportunities for solos, duets, small groups, dance numbers, comedy numbers, instrumental performances, and comedy acts. Contact one of the directors for additional information: Kari Lowe, Jessica Steckly, Lisa Wenger

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Varsity Wrestling  
Newman Grove Invite 9:00 am  
Reserve Boys BB @ Allen Tourney Times TBA



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Girls and Boys BB  
@ Crofton  
Boys & Girls JV @ 4:45  
Followed by Girls Varsity, then  
Boys Varsity game

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6  
**SCHOOL RESUMES**

**Start of 2nd Semester**

7  
CNOS Classic  
@ Tyson Event Center  
Girls Varsity Basketball  
@ 9:00 p.m.  
vs. A-H-S-T-W  
(Avoca, IA)

8  
Girls and Boys BB  
@ Allen  
Girls JV begins @ 4:45  
followed by Boys JV  
**Boys Varsity @ 6:00**  
**Girls Varsity @ 8:00**

9  
**Snowball Coronation 8:00 p.m.**  
**Dance 9-12 pm**  
(Decorate 1:00-3:00 p.m.)

Reserve Boys BB @  
Allen Tourney Times TBA

CNOS Classic  
@ Tyson Event Center

Boys Varsity Basketball **8:45 A.M.** vs. Wayne



10  
9th/10th Grade  
Wrestling  
Oakland Invite 4:00 p.m.  
6th Grade Honor Band @  
West Middle School

11  
Girls and Boys BB  
Home vs. Wakefield  
Boys & Girls JV @ 4:45  
Followed by Girls Varsity  
then Boys Varsity  
PCEF Meeting  
10:00 am (Annual)/11:00 am (Regular)  
Senior Class Meeting 9:00 a.m.

12  
Post Prom  
Meeting 6:00  
Ponca School

13  
Varsity Wrestling Dual  
@ Ponca vs. Wakefield 7:00  
Girls and Boys Jr. High BB  
@ Laurel 4:00 p.m.

14  
Girls & Boys BB  
Home vs. Elk Point  
Girls & Boys Reserves @ 4:00  
Girls & Boys JV begins @ 4:45  
Girls Varsity @ 6:15  
Boys Varsity @ 8:00  
Elementary Student Council Fundraiser at Games

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@ Hartington CC  
Girls and Boys BB @ Westwood (Sloan, IA)  
Girls and Boys JV @ 4:45  
Followed by Girls Varsity then Boys Varsity  
Practice ACT Test (Volunteer Jrs.) 8:00 am-1:00 pm

17  
School Board Meeting  
7:00 p.m.  
Jr. High Boys Basketball  
Home vs. Allen @ 2:45

18  
Girls and Boys BB  
@ Winnebago  
Boys & Girls JV @ 4:45  
Varsity Girls @ 6:15  
followed by Varsity Boys



19  
Reserve Boys BB  
@ Wayne 6:00 p.m.  
Conference Wrestling  
@ Plainview 1:00  
Jr. High Girls BB Home vs.  
Woodbury Central 4:00

20  
**NO SCHOOL**  
(Professional Development)  
Girls & Boys BB  
Home vs. Bancroft-Rosalie  
Girls & Boys JV begins @ 4:45  
Girls Varsity @ 6:15  
Boys Varsity @ 8:00  
Post Prom Fundraiser at Games  
Elementary Cheer Camp 9am-12pm  
Registration @ 8:45 am

21  
Varsity Wrestling Oakland Invite 9:00  
Conference Honor Band @ Wayne State  
Concert @ 4:30 pm  
Boys and Girls Jr. High BB  
Home vs. Homer 9:00 am  
Post Prom Fundraiser at Games  
Boys JV BB Irene-Wakonda Tourney 9:00  
Singing Youth of Nebraska Honor Choir  
in North Platte

24  
Jr. High Girls and Boys  
Basketball @ Crofton  
3:00

25  
Varsity Wrestling  
Laurel Triangular 6:30 p.m.  
Girls and Boys BB  
Home vs. Hartington CC  
Boys & Girls JV @ 4:45  
followed by Varsity Girls  
then Varsity Boys  
Post Prom Fundraiser at Games

26  
Girls and Boys BB  
@ Wynot JV & Varsity  
Girls JV begins @ 4:00  
followed by Boys JV then  
Varsity Girls, Boys

27  
**NO SCHOOL**  
Boys & Girls Conference  
Basketball "Play In" Game  
Times/Location TBA

28  
Wrestling Invite @ Plainview 10:00  
WSC Honor Band @ Wayne State  
Jr. High Girls BB Ponca Invite @ 9:00  
Boys JV Basketball Homer Invite 9:00 am  
Girls Conference Basketball TBA

31  
Spellapalooza  
Fine Arts  
2:00-4:00

1  
Boys Conference  
Basketball TBA



2  
Girls Conference  
Basketball TBA  
Boys Reserve BB @ Osmond 5:00

3  
Boys Conference  
Basketball TBA  
Varsity Wrestling  
Creighton Triangular 6:00 pm

4  
Girls Conference  
Basketball TBA  
JH Boys BB Home vs.  
Elk Point 4:00







5  
Varsity Wrestling Wakefield Invite 10:00 am  
Boys Conference Basketball TBA  
Reserve Boys & Girls BB @ Hinton 9:00 am  
JH Boys & Girls BB Home vs. Hartington 9:00am

Univ. of South Dakota Honor Band



# Ponca Menu

# JANUARY 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> 	5 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> 	6 Burrito Chips with Cheese Fruit and Veggie Bar	7 Pizza Beef Corn Fruit and Veggie Bar	8 Crispito Chili and Cheese Scooby Snacks 
11 Corn Dog Smiley Fries Fruit and Veggie Bar	12 Chili Cinnamon Rolls Fruit and Veggie Bar	13 Chicken Strips Baked Beans Fruit and Veggie Bar	14 Mandarin Chicken Rice Roll Fruit and Veggie Bar	15 Scalloped Potatoes w/Ham Roll Peas Fruit and Veggie Bar
18 19 Chicken Patty Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Roll Fruit and Veggie Bar	19 Super Nachos Ice Cream Cup Fruit and Veggie Bar	20 Calzone Carrots Fruit and Veggie Bar 	21 Pizza Chips Fruit and Veggie Bar	22 Pancakes Eggs Breakfast Cookie Fruit and Veggie Bar
25 Chicken and Rice Casserole Peas Roll Fruit and Veggie Bar 	26 Fiestada Apple Crisp Fruit and Veggie Bar	27 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Roll Fruit and Veggie Bar	28 Tater Tot Casserole Green Beans Fruit and Veggie Bar	29 Beef Taco Refried Beans Fruit and Veggie Bar 

Milk Served with Meal

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Meals Subject to Change

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## PONCA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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### DECEMBER 2015 AND JANUARY 2016



#### NOTICE TO PARENTS OF PONCA SCHOOL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS WHO MAY BE CONSIDERING ENROLLMENT OPTION FOR THE 2016 – 2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Parents or guardians considering the use of the enrollment options program to enroll their child/ren in another public school district in the state of Nebraska should be aware of the following date:

**May 1, 2016** - Deadline for filing enrollment option application for the 2016-2017 school year unless a waiver of dates is granted. (If the enrollment option application is filed before March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the application does not need to be taken to the school the student is leaving.)

**Limitation** - The enrollment option shall be available only once to each student prior to graduation unless:

- (a) the student relocates in a different resident school district,
- (b) the option school district merges with another district.

**Eligibility** – Eligibility will be considered for transfer students who have transferred from one school to another when there is not a change of domicile by the parents. Those students who have their transfer papers signed and filed on or before May 1 shall be eligible immediately in the fall. Those students who do not have their transfer applications signed and filed on or before May 1 shall be ineligible for 90 school days.

**Transportation** – The parents of the optioned student shall be responsible for required transportation to the option district.

If you have questions regarding the enrollment option program,  
please contact the Ponca Superintendent's Office at (402) 755-5700.