Pawnee City Public School

October-November 2026 Newsletter

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From Mr. Evans, Superintendent

The Shared Responsibility of School Safety

September was National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. The week of October 18–24 is America's Safe Schools Week. Both of these observances provide a time to reflect on the shared responsibility of keeping schools safe. In today's world, where violence in schools, workplaces, and even places of worship has become more frequent, school safety must remain a top priority.

Experts agree that while technology and security measures help, the most effective tool in preventing school violence is strong, trusting adult-student relationships. Every student should know at least one adult they can go to if they're worried about their safety or someone else's.

Here are some important reminders about maintaining safe schools:

- **Everyone plays a role.** Most violent acts are preceded by warning signs. If you see or hear something concerning, report it. It's far better to make a report that turns out to be nothing than to stay silent and regret it later.
- **Avoid spreading rumors.** If you learn of a potential threat, contact school officials or police right away. Spreading speculation—especially online—only makes things worse.
- **Talk with children.** Speak with them regularly about kindness, respect, bullying, and standing up for others. These conversations matter. Even more important, model the behavior you expect from them.
- **Respect safety procedures.** Pawnee City Schools require visitors to be buzzed in. Please follow these procedures, even if they feel inconvenient. And if you notice safety steps being ignored, report it.

Every year, we're reminded how violence has reshaped our communities. America's Safe Schools Week is a powerful call to stay alert, stay connected, and—above all—take care of each other.

From the HS Principal and AD, Mr. Derek Niss

We believe that every student deserves the opportunity to learn, grow, participate, and be part of our school community. One of the most important ways we can provide those opportunities is by getting our students through the doors and into classrooms each day. When a student is at school, they are not only receiving academic instruction. They are building relationships with teachers and classmates, participating in discussions, asking questions, working through challenges, participating in activities and athletics, and developing the habits and skills that will serve them well after high school. So much of what happens at school cannot simply be recreated by completing a worksheet or making up an assignment at home.

We also recognize that life happens. Students get sick. Families have appointments, emergencies, and other circumstances that occasionally require a student to miss school. We understand that, and we are not expecting students to attend school when they are genuinely unable to do so. There is more to life than school. However, school is an opportunity for students to commit to something, work towards goals, and grow in many different ways as people.

The concern comes when absences begin to add up. A few days often becomes a pattern. Nebraska defines chronic absenteeism as missing 10% or more of the school year for any reason—including excused absences. Missing roughly two days of school per month can put a student into the chronic absenteeism category.

Nebraska law requires schools to monitor attendance, investigate potential violations, communicate with families, and provide services to address barriers to attendance. When a student reaches 20 days of absence, truancy reporting to the county attorney is the next step. Our goal is not to get to that point. Our goal is to work with families long before attendance becomes a legal issue.

Nebraska uses chronic absenteeism data as part of its accountability system, AQuESTT. AQuESTT provides a rating for our school each year. We have worked hard to reach the highest rating that can be achieved, “Excellent”. Getting your children to school each day is one of the ways that you can directly impact our school’s rating from the state! More importantly, regular attendance creates daily opportunities for students to learn and grow, allows staff to identify when students may need additional support, and gives all of us—students and staff alike—the opportunity to show up, perform at our best, and get better each day.

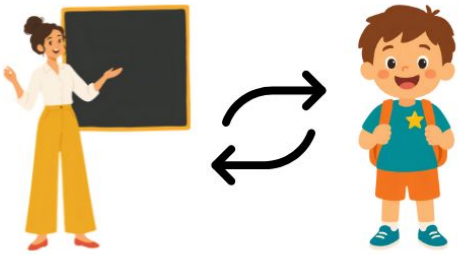
Everything is training for something. Show up. Do the work.

Respectfully,

Derek Niss
MS/HS Principal, AD

HOMECOMING WEEK: OCTOBER 12-16

Monday: Teacher Swap Day





Tuesday: Anything But a Backpack Day

Wednesday: Dress a Mess Day







Thursday: Soccer Moms and BBQ Dads Day

Friday: PC Spirit Day



Friday Activities: Pep Rally: 2:45 PM at the Courthouse. Coronation: At the conclusion of the football game against Sterling. Dance: 9:00 PM - 11:00 PM

From the Office:

Writing Checks

When writing checks to the school for items such as preschool tuition, lunch accounts, computer fees, and/or class/activity dues, ***please*** make out ***separate checks***. These each go into different accounts.
Thanks in advance for your help!

Census: We Need Your Help!

Nebraska Law requires that the Board of Education take an annual census. If you have recently moved to our area and have a child between the ages of 0-18 or have recently (within the last 18 months) given birth to a child, please help us update our records by calling the school at 402-852-2988 or 402-852-2411.
Thanks again for your help!

SOMETHING NEW!!
Regular School Hours Have Changed -
Monday through Friday

School will begin at 8:00 a.m. for all students in grades Pre K through 12, and classes will end at 3:30 p.m. every day (with the exception of early outs, late starts, etc.).



Pawnee City School

Apply 2 College Day



October 29, 2026 from 9:30-3:15 pm in the gym

Schedule of Events

9:30-10:00 Freshman visit college/career fair

10:15-10:45 Sophomores visit college/career fair

11:00-11:30 Juniors visit college /career fair

11:45-12:15 Seniors visit college/career fair

12:15-12:50 LUNCH (Seniors & Reps Only)

1:00-2:00 FAFSA presentation (Seniors and parents)

2:00-2:45 College Applications & FAFSA completion (Seniors and parents)

2:45-3:15 Senior Celebration (Seniors and parents)

Over 20 Representatives from colleges, military, and career opportunities!

Lunch is included for Seniors!
BE SURE TO BRING YOUR
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER


PAWNEE CITY TITLE 1
TURKEY BINGO
Night
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2026
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Pawnee City Cafeteria
Popcorn Provided
TITLE 1 PRESENTATION
PRIOR TO BINGO



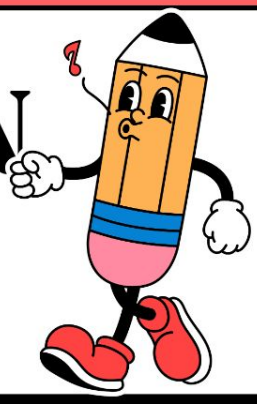
VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11, 2026
10 AM
PAWNEE CITY SCHOOL GYM

Meal to follow for veterans and their families.
Please call the school office to reserve
your meal by Nov. 1
402-852-2988

KINDERGARTEN

with Mrs. Lang



A LOOK INTO OUR CLASSROOM







WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

The school year is off to a great start! We have an amazing group of Kindergarteners who are excited and ready to learn, grow, and have fun together. Here's a look at some of the exciting things we will be learning and working on over the next few months!

Reading

- Letter names and sounds
- Blending and segmenting words
- Encoding and decoding words
- Exploring our five senses
- Plant lifecycle
- Different cultures

Math

- Solid shapes
- Three-Dimensional Shapes
- Length, height, weight, and volume
- Comparing numerals

SPECIAL GUEST - MARY AND JASON





Noteworthy News from Mrs. Dieckgrafe

The school year is off to another successful start! I am very excited to share that the 8-12 choir enrollment is up this year with 33 wonderful students singing. Coincidentally, the 6th and 7th grade choir also has 33 members this semester. I look forward to some great performances this year. Of note, the choirs will NOT be performing on the Fall Concert this year. I will be out on maternity leave. The first opportunity to see the HS choir perform will be Mon., Nov. 9 in Sterling for the Pioneer Conference Vocal Clinic. See below for this semester's performance schedule for the K-12 vocal department.

Little Caesars: Thank you to my parents and students for making this year's fundraiser another success! I understand our sale was early and therefore fast and furious this year, and I appreciate your willingness to sell and deliver! The vocal department raised a good amount of money to put towards costs in the vocal department as well as to enable students to attend a show at the Orpheum next semester.

Orpheum: Details about signing up/payment for the Orpheum show will go home in December. Parents, watch for a form from your student.

Maternity Leave: Please note, beginning mid-September through mid-November, I will be going on maternity leave. I will not be available by phone and will not be checking emails or Rooms messages regularly. If there is a concern please contact the high school office who can then contact me in case of emergency.

If you would like to see all concert dates or see what my expectations are, please see my handbook on our website. Menu → Sports & Activities → Choir. You can also email me at ldieckgrafe@pawneecityschool.net with any questions throughout the year.

2026-27 Concerts
Nov 9: Pioneer Conference Vocal @ Sterling, Concert @ 7PM (8-12 Choir)
Nov 11: Veterans Day, 10:00 AM (6-12 Choirs), in the PCPS Gym
Dec 7: Elementary Christmas Concert, 7:00 PM, K-5 (including 5th band)
Dec 13: Vespers, 3:00 PM, 6-12 Band and Choir



Band Notes by Mrs. Veleba



What a GREAT start to the 2026-2027 school year! The 7-12 band has already marched in the Falls City Cobblestone Parade (new to us this year) and the Richardson County Fair Parade since school started, and now we're getting ready for the following performances:

- **Tuesday, Oct. 20** - Fall Concert at 7:00 p.m. for 5-12 bands (Choirs will NOT be singing on this concert.)
- **Wednesday, November 11** - Veterans Day Program in the gym - 10:00 a.m. for 8-12 band and 6-12 choir
- **Monday, December 7** - Elementary Christmas Concert at 7:00 p.m. - including 5th grade band and 4th grade recorders, as well as singers in grades K-5
- **SUNDAY, December 13** - Middle and High School Christmas Concert at 3:00 p.m. for 6-12 bands and choirs - There will be a cookie and punch reception following this performance. Each family will be asked to bring one dozen cookies/treats for the occasion.

As always, I want to say thanks to everyone, especially the Fine Arts Boosters, for their support of the band program and the music program in Pawnee City! We hope to see everyone at all of our upcoming events.

6th-8th English

Students are doing well adjusting to our new curriculum! They are still reading stories and doing quite a bit of writing, so that has remained the same. However, they are also working on adding more detail to their writing and figuring out different ways to describe characters, settings, and events. The 8th graders even wrote their own skits, with some groups acting them out for the class!

While there are always adjustments at the beginning of a new school year, most students have handled the changes with ease. It has been fun to see them settle into our new routines and continue to grow as readers and writers.

We have also started discussing the middle school dance for this fall! Students are currently leaning toward October, so stay tuned, more information will be coming soon!

Mrs. Farwell

September 2026

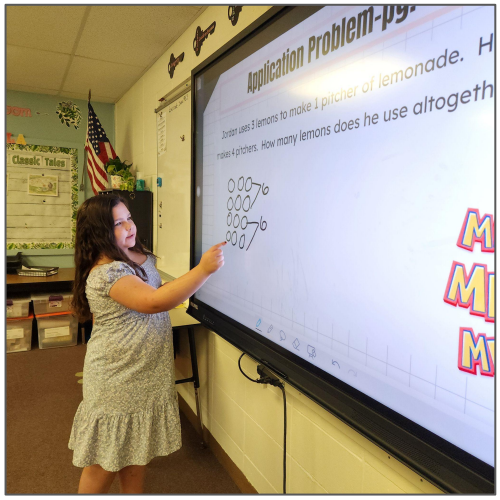
Hello From 3rd Grade!

We are off to a great and busy year full of learning. Students have read a variety of great books in our curriculum and have engaged in various reading activities. We have talked a lot about character development and themes. In Math, students are improving their multiplication skills, learning a variety of ways to solve problem, and do a great job of explaining their thinking! Science is all about Traits & Inheritance, and Social Studies has been about Maps.

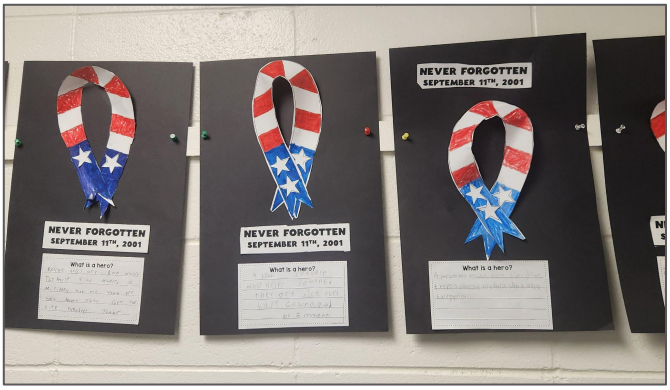
To honor September 11th, students spent the week learning about this important part of US history. Students decorated a ribbon and wrote about what is a hero.

We have made a couple trips to the public library. (A Favorite!) The next big adventure is a field trip to the Southeast NE Ag Literacy Festival! I look forward to sharing photos from our trip in the next newsletter.

With Best Wishes,
Mrs. Hoffman









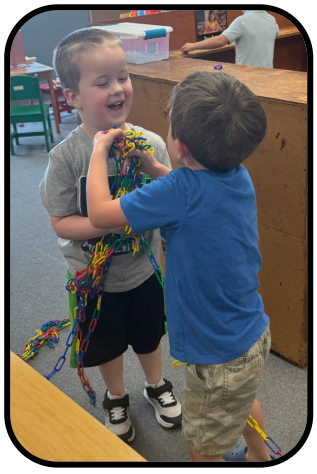
Preschool News

We have been very busy learning so many things in preschool!

- ★ Classroom routines and procedures
- ★ How to use classroom materials
- ★ How to be a kind friend
- ★ Solving problems

Our favorite parts of the day include:

- ★ Process art - developing our creative abilities using art materials in an open-ended way.
- ★ Work time - exploring our classroom centers with friends while learning through play.
- ★ Outside time - discovering nature, including mud puddles, dirt, rocks, praying mantis, grasshoppers, and even a toad!
- ★ Story time - We love listening to stories on the carpet. Our favorites include Groovey Joe Ice Cream and Dinosaurs, Pete the Cat, the Pigeon books, Knufflebunny, and We Don't Eat Our Classmates.









Fourth Grade News
By Miss Gyhra

It’s the most wonderful time of the year!

Homecoming & Halloween make for the most fun memories in the classroom. Fourth grade is always a proud supporter of Homecoming and we love dressing up to show our school pride. Enjoy those pictures as they come!

In the classroom, we are aiming to improve the control over our bodies, impulses, and emotions. These are great skills to have for life! Being a strong communicator and someone who can be flexible with the natural bends of life are both great qualities to have. We want to have our kindest, calmest demeanors when interacting with others as much as possible. The process of getting there is messy, but a worthwhile journey!

We are moving right along in all subjects, enjoying our new reading especially. Our current unit is about Knights and the Middle Ages. In science, we are investigating a new topic. We will explore the eye structures of geckos to determine how they see and how that helps them survive. Math is challenging us with unit conversions and area & perimeter.

We are as busy as it gets! Check in with us in the next newsletter to see some images of us at work & play.

Miss Coffey's Second Grade

What are we learning in the second grade classroom?!

Math-
-Fluency with addition and subtraction within 100
-Concepts and measuring with rulers and meter sticks

CKLA Skills
-Tricky word spellings
-"The Cat Bandit" books
-Reading comprehension from selected passages

Social Studies
-Neighborhoods
-The class got to draw a picture of Pawnee City. They split up into groups and covered the different parts of town!

CKLA Knowledge
-Tall Tales, fairy tales, and fortune
-The class got to dress up as a tall tale or fairytale character!
-The class got to make flapjacks from the tall tale, Paul Bunyan.
-Ancient Greece

Social Emotional Learning-
-Kindness
-Respect-stop, support, report

Important Dates Coming Up:

September-
Teacher Conferences- 23rd and 24th
No school-25th

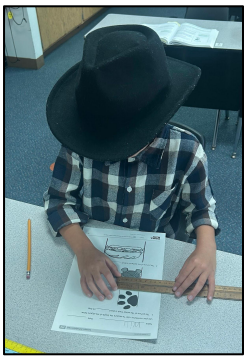
October-
No school-19th, 30th

November-
No school-18th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 30th

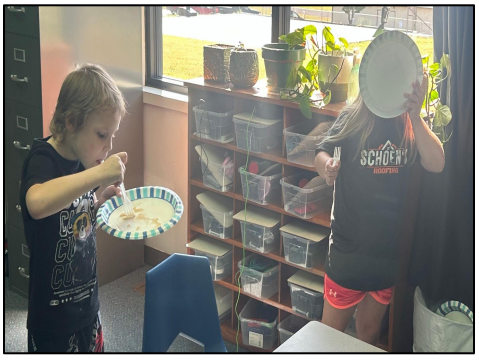








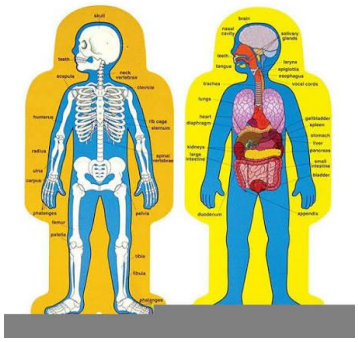




First Grade News

It has been a fun, fast first couple of months. Everyone has become accustomed with the routine and seems to have adjusted well. We have 24 little bodies in this room and they have been amazing. They are very mature for being at the beginning of 1st grade. It is great to see them communicate correctly with partners or groups.

We did a Unit on Fables and Tales. They enjoyed trying to figure out the lesson in each one. We also learned a lot of new vocabulary words and spent time acting out the stories. It was a lot of fun!



We have moved on to informational text and are now learning about the Human Body. They have made guesses of how many bones and muscles we have in our body. We made a Science Notebook with sentences about what we have learned and pictures of organs, systems, and how they work together to be a network. They had Dr. Niss come to talk to them about the human body. They were so excited that he allowed them to see inside his ear. That was definitely a highlight!

We will be taking a field trip to Roca Berry Farm in October. More information will be coming soon.

I feel this is going to be a great year, and I am hoping they feel the same way.

Mrs. Sejkora, First Grade Teacher

FFA & Ag Classes

- 6 FFA members attended Husker Harvest Days in September!
  - Below is Joel Strehle, Teagan Turnbull, and Lane Johnson. Attendees not pictured: Brook Tozer, Aubrey Sisco, and Sophia Sunneberg
- Upcoming FFA events:
  - Area/District Land Judging - Sept 30th
  - Chapter FFA Meeting - Oct 3rd
  - National FFA Convention - Oct 21 - 24th
  - District Livestock Judging - Oct 28th
  - Chapter FFA Meeting - Nov 4th

- Ag 7 and Animal Science students have been identifying Nebraska grasses and forbs!
- Intro to Ag students have just started land judging - they are learning how to use land based on various properties.
- SCC Welding and Ag Mechanic students are getting out into the shop to start welding.
- Agribusiness has been learning about business structures and entrepreneurship.









YEARBOOK

Elementary yearbooks are in. The book, We Are The Indians, is a great buy. Each copy is only $20. There are copies still available for purchase. Please contact Julie Pierce or the elementary office to obtain a copy.

PBIS in the Elementary

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a proactive framework aimed at promoting positive behavior in schools. Key components include:

1. **Clear Expectations**: Defining and teaching specific behavioral standards.
2. **Positive Reinforcement**: Recognizing and rewarding good behavior rather than focusing solely on negative actions.
3. **Data-Driven Decisions**: Using data to monitor behavior and improve interventions.
4. **Tiered Support**: Offering varying levels of support based on student needs.

PBIS has been shown to reduce disciplinary issues, improve behavior, and enhance academic performance, creating a positive and inclusive school environment for all students.

Pawnee City Elementary has a token system to recognize positive behavior. PC dollars are given to students by staff to recognize and give specific praise for responsible, respectful, and/or safe behavior.

Every month in the elementary, the students and staff hold a pep rally to reinforce the expectations of common areas in the school. Part of the rally is to recognize the Spotlight Students for the month and reward students for positive behavior.



Spotlight Students for the month of August



PBIS raffle prize winners for August.



Meet & Greet

Wednesday, October 21st

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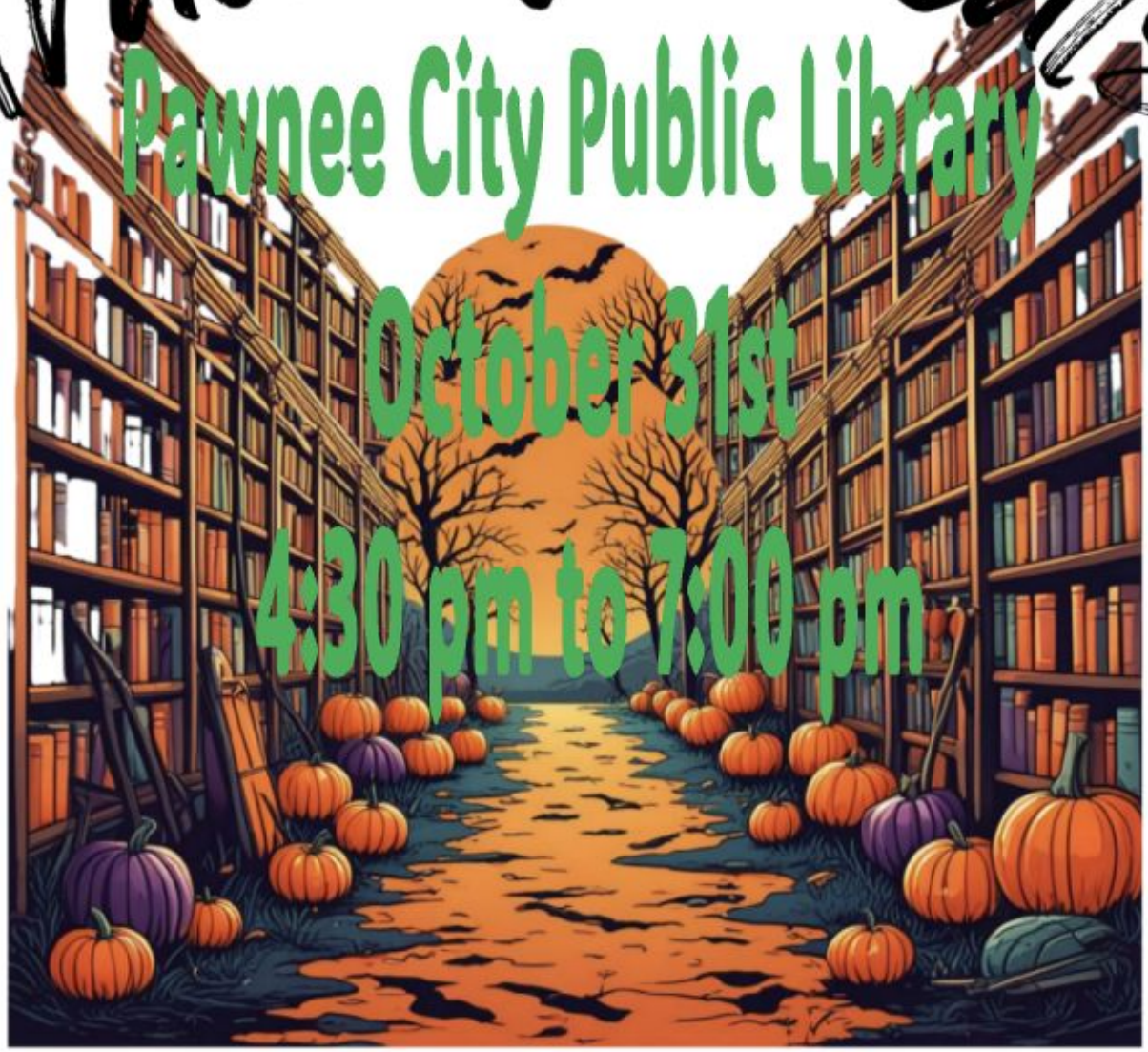
Pawnee City Public Library

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

This is an opportunity to meet candidates running for local and county offices.

Scan code for The Pawnee Republican's Facebook page to watch "live"

Trail of Treats



This year for Halloween the Pawnee City Public Library will be hosting "Trail of Treats." Local Organizations along with the Library are excited to see all ghosts, goblins, princesses, superheroes, whatever may come through the door. (Once again, it will be indoors.)

It is always a TREAT to see you!

Reading is a Gift!

At Your Pawnee City Public Library

The Pawnee City Public Library is once again sponsoring a program in coordination with the school which brings holiday cheer to our students by helping them with gifts for their family. Students who are engaged in reading books will have the opportunity to choose gifts for their household members.

Students will need parental permission to participate in this program. Please fill out a registration form and return it to the school OR Pawnee City Public Library.

If you have questions, please contact the Pawnee City Public Library.

402-852-2118
or
plibrary2@gmail.com

One registration form per family.

All programs sponsored by the Pawnee City Public Library are FREE.



Pawnee City Public Library

Last Name _____

Reading is a Gift Program Registration

School _____

Reading is a Gift Program

2026

Please fill out one registration per family. Include all participating students.

First Name	Grade

Address

Phone (home)

(cell)

Email:

(work)

Publicity Release 2026

The Pawnee City Public Library conducts activities which may be publicized through local news media. On occasion we may want to use the names and/or photographs of activity participants for newspapers, newsletters, calendars, brochures, or our library web pages or Facebook. Photographs published on the web would not identify participants by name.

Please check one of the following statements:

☐ I ***give*** permission for my child(ren)'s name(s) and photograph(s) to be used by the Pawnee City Public Library.

☐ I ***do not*** give permission for my child(ren)'s name(s) or photograph(s) to be used by the Pawnee City Public Library.

Print *Name of Parent/Guardian*

Signature *of Parent/Guardian*

All programs sponsored by the Pawnee City Public Library are FREE.


Come have your picture
taken with Santa at your
Pawnee City Public Library on December
12th from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.
A digital file of your pictures will be emailed to you.
While here enjoy a Christmas movie and make a
craft to take home!
All programs sponsored by the library are FREE.



PAWNEE COUNTY HOLIDAY ANGEL TREE

Christmas is just around the corner!

Pawnee City Hall will sponsor the Angel Tree again this year.

Households that have children ages 18 and under may qualify to receive gifts to help make the season a little brighter.

Applications may be picked up at Pawnee City Hall (605 G Street) starting Oct. 26 between 8:00 am. and 4:30 pm. and must be returned by Nov. 20. For more information, please stop by or call the office at (402) 852-2781.

Thank you!

Pawnee City Clerks



2026-2027 Yearbook Order Form

CHRISTMAS SPECIAL!!

Don't miss the chance to get a free name stamp from Walsworth. Turn in this form WITH payment before we leave on December 18 for Christmas break, and the $4.50 name stamp will be FREE!!

- Payments can be made online, in cash, or by check (made out to Pawnee City Public School).
- Cash/check payments should be submitted with order forms.

Name of person ordering (please print): _____

_____ I would like to order a 2027 yearbook for the cost of $45

_____ I want my yearbook **personalized** for FREE with the following name (please print):

Complete the following information only if you are a current Pawnee City SENIOR or an adult ordering a yearbook:

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,
The Pawnee City Public School Yearbook Staff

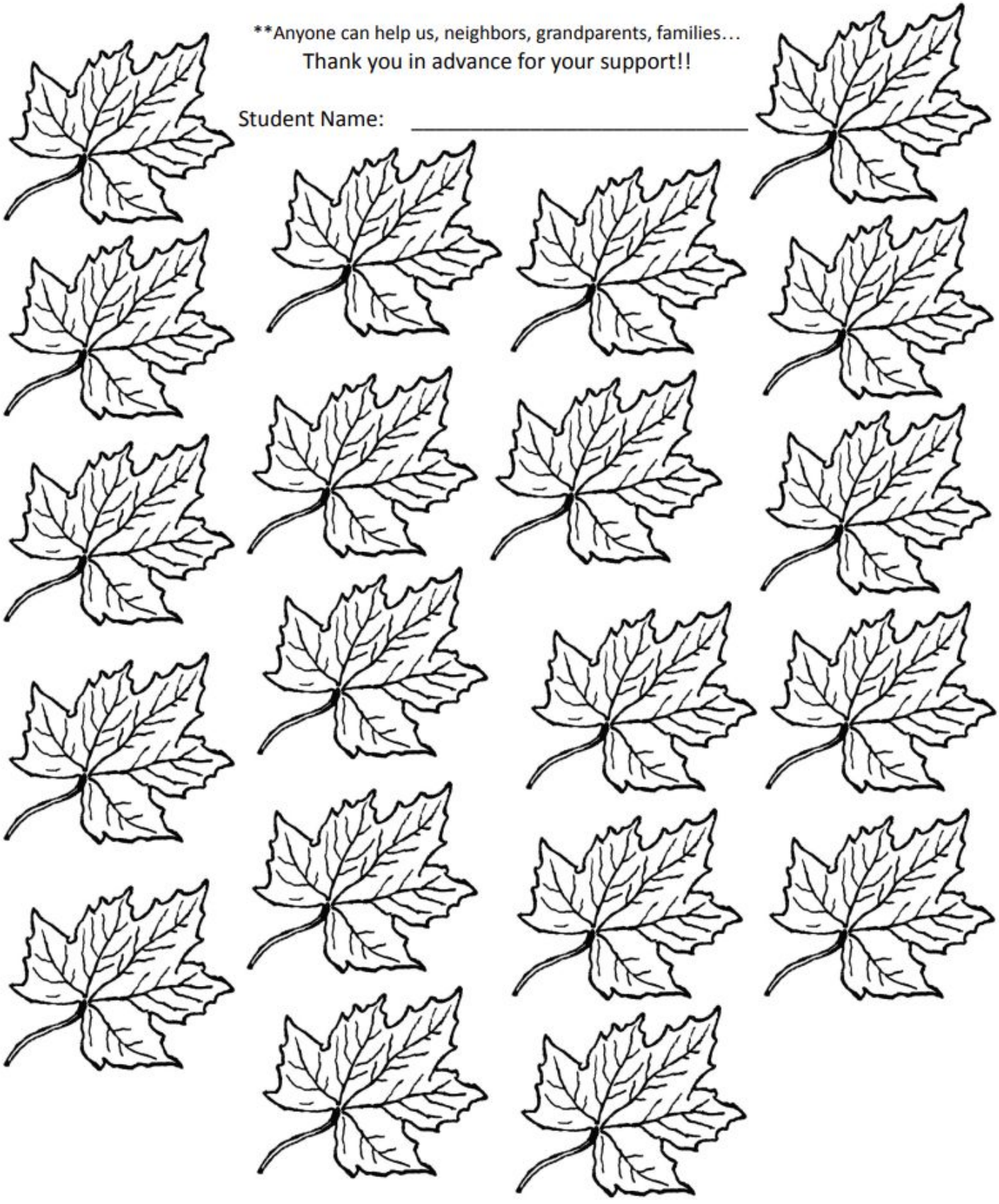
(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY) *DATE* _____ *amount paid* _____ *check #* _____ *cash* _____

Best Choice Labels for School

We need your help……help us collect UPC symbols off of any
of your Best Choice products and send them to school with your school!

**Anyone can help us, neighbors, grandparents, families…
Thank you in advance for your support!!

Student Name: _____



Donating your IRA distributions to a charity

Qualified charitable distributions (QCDs) have been permanently extended. Individuals can donate up to $100,000 per year directly from a traditional or Roth IRA to qualifying charities. This is attractive to some investors because QCDs can be used to satisfy required minimum distributions (RMDs) from an IRA without having the distribution included in their income.

Eligibility

A qualified charitable distribution may be made:

- When the IRA holder is age 70½ or older
- Directly from the IRA to a qualified charity
- From a traditional or Roth IRA

Qualified charities

Generally, a qualified charity includes most public charities that are eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions – including religious institutions, certain veterans' organizations, fraternal societies and community foundations that provide scholarships.

Limitations on distributions

Restrictions set on QCDs include the following:

- $100,000 maximum per person per year
- Distributions transferred to the charity no later than Dec. 31 of the current tax year
- Must be a direct IRA distribution from the IRA custodian or trustee to a qualified charity
- Not all charitable organizations qualify
- Applicable only for traditional and Roth IRA distributions (excludes SEP and SIMPLE IRAs)

Making a QCD provides an opportunity to make a charitable contribution that you might otherwise not have been able to make and/or receive potential tax benefits for charitable contributions that you are already making. You should consult your tax advisor and estate-planning attorney about your situation. Edward Jones, its financial advisors and employees do not provide tax or legal advice.

Key benefits

- **For those who give larger gifts** – Deductibility limits do not apply to QCDs, which means the QCD can be made in addition to other charitable contributions that may be limited by the annual maximum deductible percentage of income or phase-outs of itemized deductions.
- **For those who don't itemize deductions** – If QCDs are used as the funding source for charitable donations, the donor will receive tax benefits when there otherwise would have been none due to the use of the standard deduction.
- **For those who pay taxes on a portion of their Social Security benefits** – Income for determining the taxation of Social Security benefits is lower than if the IRA holder had taken the RMD, potentially reducing this taxation.
- **For those whose income level subjects them to tax on Net Investment Income, or phase-out of personal exemptions or itemized deductions** – A QCD made in lieu of an RMD will result in lower Adjusted Gross Income for the IRA holder, which may lessen the effect of this tax or applicable phase-outs.



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October

(All events and times are subject to change.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 4PM HS FB @ Lewiston	3 8:30AM JH VB @ Southern
4 **12PM HOME Youth Volleyball**	5 4PM JH FB @ Mead	6 **Flu Shot Clinic 7:30AM in the Pawnee City Cafeteria** 4PM JH VB @ Falls City Tourney	7	8 9AM Health Care Day @ SCC Lincoln 4PM CC @ McCool Junction 4PM JH Girls VB Triangular @ Lourdes Central Catholic w/HTRS 5PM HS VB Tri @ HTRS w/ Diller-Odell	9 **9AM PC Fire Dept. Fire Safety Presentation** 7PM HS FB @ HTRS	10 9AM HS VB @ Falls City Invite
11	12 HS VB Pioneer Conference **4PM HOME JH FB vs HTRS** 6PM School Board Meeting **Homecoming**	13 HS VB Pioneer Conference **Homecoming**	14 8AM FFA State Land Judging **Homecoming**	15 4PM HS CC Districts @ Camp Kateri Tekakwitha **Homecoming**	16 **End of 1st Qtr** **7PM HOME HS FB vs Sterling** See page 3 for the Homecoming schedule **Homecoming**	17 HS VB Pioneer Conference
18 **12PM HOME Youth Volleyball**	19 **NO SCHOOL for Students** **Teacher Inservice**	20 **7PM 5-12 Fall Band Concert**	21 **2PM HOME JH VB vs Sterling** National FFA Convention	22 National FFA Convention	23 **7PM HOME FB vs Meridian (Sr/ Parent Night)** National FFA Convention HS CC State	24 National FFA Convention
25	26 HS VB Subdistricts	27 VB Sub-District	28 FFA District Livestock Judging	29 **NO PRESCHOOL** 9:30AM Apply2College Day	30 **NO SCHOOL for Students** **Teacher Inservice** FB Playoffs 1st Round	31 VB District Finals **Happy Halloween! Stay SAFE!**

November

(All events and times are subject to change.)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Saving Time ends - Set clocks BACK 1 hour	2	3	4 HS VB State Championships	5 **6PM Turkey Bingo in Cafeteria** HS VB State Championships	6 8AM UNL Business Visit FB Playoffs 2nd round HS VB State Championships	7 9AM One-Act @ Archbishop Bergan HS VB State Championships
8 HS VB State Championships	9 6PM School Board Meeting 7PM Pioneer Conference Vocal @ Sterling	10	11 **10AM Veteran's Day Program**	12	13 9AM One-Act @ Peru State College HS FB Playoffs-Semifinal Round	14 9AM One-Act @ York
15	16 Health Van **2PM HOME JH BBB vs HTRS**	17 Health Van	18 **NO SCHOOL** **Hosting Pioneer Conference Play Production**	19 Health Van **4PM JH BBB vs FCSH**	20 Health Van HS FB State Finals	21 **9AM One-Act PC Invite** 9AM JH BBB @ HTRS Invite
22	23	24 **NO PRESCHOOL** **1:15PM One-Act Matinee** **4PM HOME JH BBB vs JCC**	25 **NO SCHOOL** **Fall Break**	26 **NO SCHOOL** **Fall Break**	27 **NO SCHOOL** **Fall Break**	28
29 **5:30PM One-Act Public Performance**	30 **NO SCHOOL for Students** **Hosting District Play Production**	Dec 1 2PM JH BBB @ Diller-Odell	Dec 2	Dec 3 **4PM HOME BB vs Diller-Odell**	Dec 4 4:45PM BB @ Frankfort High School	Dec 5 9AM Boys Wrestling @ Conestoga High School

NOTE: "BB" stands for high school basketball and includes JV girls, JV boys, varsity girls, and varsity boys UNLESS stated otherwise

Pawnee City School 2026-27 Master Calendar

JULY 2026

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AUGUST 2026

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Student Days 14
Contract Days 18

SEPTEMBER 2026

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27	28	29	30			

Student Days 19
Contract Days 21

OCTOBER 2026

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Student Days 20
Contract Days* 22

October 16 - P/T Conf. Comp. Day

NOVEMBER 2026

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Student Days 16
Contract Days 18

DECEMBER 2026

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Student Days 14
Contract Days 14

Important Dates:

August
- 6, 7, 10 & 11 - Teacher Professional Development
- 10- Start of HS Fall Sports (FB, VB, CC & Girls Golf)
- 11 - Open House Night
- 12 - First Day of School - 12:30 PM Dismissal

September
- 7 - NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
- 14 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development
- 23 & 24 - Parent/Teacher Conf. (4:00-7:30 PM)
- 25 - NO SCHOOL P/T Conf. Comp Day

October
- 13-14 - Girls State Golf
- 16 - End of 1st Quarter
- 19 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development
- 23 - State Cross Country
- 30 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development

November
- 4-7 - State Volleyball
- 16 - Start of HS Winter Sports (BB & Wrestling)
- 18 - NO SCHOOL - Hosting Pioneer Conf. Play Production
- 20 - D6 State Football
- 25, 26, 27- NO SCHOOL - Fall Break
- 30 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development

December
- 9 - Class D State Play Production
- 10 - Class C State Play Production
- 18 - End of 1st Semester (Full Day)
- 23-27 - NSAA Moratorium

January
- 4 - Teachers Return
- 5 - Students Return (Full Day)
- 18 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development

February
- 1 - NO SCHOOL - ESU 4 Engaging Educators Conf.
- 3 & 4 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-7:30 PM)
- 18-20 - State Wrestling

March
- 1 - Start of HS Spring Sports (Track & Boys Golf)
- 3-6 - State Girls Basketball
- 10 - End of 3rd Quarter
- 10-13 - State Boys Basketball
- 11-15 - NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
- 15 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development
- 24-26 - State Speech

April
- 12 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development

May
- 4 - Last Day for Seniors ◇
- 12 - Class D District Track (No School if PC Selected as Host Site)
- 12 - Earliest Last Day of School (12:30 PM dismissal)**
- 15 - Graduation (2:00 PM) ⬭
- 20 - Latest Last Day of School (12:30 PM dismissal)** Final staff workday will follow last student day.
- 21-22 - State Track
- 25-26 - Boys State Golf

** The Last Day of School will be set at the Regular March BOE Mtg. Board meeting to equal up to 185 teacher contract days.

	Full School Day
	NO SCHOOL
	Early Student Dismissal
	Parent-Teacher Conferences
	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development
	Flex Days for Weather/Emergency Closure
	End of Quarter or Semester

JANUARY 2027

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Student Days 18
Contract Days 20

FEBRUARY 2027

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Student Days 19
Contract Days 21

MARCH 2027

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Student Days 19
Contract Days* 20

*March 11 - P/T Conf. Comp. Time
March 26 Easter

APRIL 2027

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Student Days 21
Contract Days 22

MAY 2027

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Student Days 8
Contract Days 9

JUNE 2027

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FIRST SEMESTER		**Student Days**			
Student Days:	83	Q1: 45	Q3:	45	
Contract Days:	93	Q2: 38	Q4: 40		

		TOTAL
Student Days:	85	168
Contract Days:	92	185

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Important Dates

Mon., Oct. 19	**NO SCHOOL for students - Teacher Inservice**
Thur., Oct. 29	**NO PRESCHOOL**
Fri., Oct. 30	**NO SCHOOL for students**
Wed., Nov. 18	**NO SCHOOL - Hosting Pioneer Conference Play Production**
Tue., Nov. 24	**NO PRESCHOOL**
Wed., Nov. 25	**NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving break**
Thurs., Nov. 26	**NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving break**
Fri., Nov. 27	**NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving break**
Mon., Nov. 30	**NO SCHOOL for students - Teacher Inservice**