



NOC Maverick baseball players clean up tree limbs after ice storm hits. NOC Tonkawa was without power for Tuesday and Wednesday. Classes were cancelled due to lack of power. (Photo by: John Pickard/Northern Oklahoma College)

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## Fall musical "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" set to start November 12

The Northern Oklahoma College Division of Fine Arts is presenting the smash hit comedy musical, "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" on Nov. 12-15.

The performances, directed by NOC Musical Theatre Instructor Chad Anderson, are in the Kinzer Performing Arts Center at NOC Tonkawa. Showtime is 7:30 p.m.. Thursday – Saturday and 2 p.m.. Sunday.

The musical comedy is based on the book by Joe DiPietro, music by Jimmy Roberts.

Seating is limited as NOC is practicing social distancing, face masks are required.

Admission is free, children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Parental guidance is suggested for adult themes and language.

The event is also available via live stream at <http://www.noc.edu/noc-events-streaming>.



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### Northern Encounter continues

Northern Oklahoma College will be hosting high school students for Northern Encounter on all three campuses over the next two months.

The following is the Northern Encounter schedule:

NOC Enid –Dec. 2

NOC Tonkawa – Dec. 9

NOC Stillwater –Nov. 18

There will be two sessions, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

High school juniors and seniors interested in NOC will have an opportunity to hear from admissions, financial aid, testing and scholarship departments as well as the different degree programs, clubs, organizations and housing opportunities. Prospective students will also experience campus tours.

The students will receive a free t-shirt along with brochures with information for all three Northern Oklahoma College campuses.

Contact Terri Sunderland at 580.548.2353, Blair Turney at 580.628.6444, and Diana Watkins at 580.628.6905 for additional information. Students may pre-register at [www.noc.edu](http://www.noc.edu).

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## Area copes with power outage

by Sierra Perkins

On Monday, Oct. 25, as everyone was preparing for Halloween, a major drop in temperature caused icy weather and power outages; going from nice days in the 60's and 70's to frigid weather in the 30's and 40's. The icy rain that came after the temperature drop, completely covered trees and power lines.

Most Ponca City residents lost power because of major damage to electrical lines from falling tree limbs. Many people were out of power for at least two days; hotels were completely full as people did not have heat or warm water at their own house.

Tree limbs could be seen blocking roads and piled in yards all over town but thankfully most of the big

debris was picked up quickly.

The Tonkawa campus of Northern Oklahoma College was out of power for a couple days. Some dorms and buildings took a day longer to get power back than the other buildings on campus.

Sydni Case, a student living on campus stated that, "The power in Threlkeld Hall was only out for half a day but the other buildings were without power for an extra day."

As we venture further into winter weather, preparation is advised. People should make sure that their cars have a warm blanket and a set of jumper cables, always check the weather before making plans and carry a coat wherever they go.

## Dakota Wickham assists students at University Center

by Jessie Atkins

Dakota Wickham is the student services director at the University Center in Ponca City, Oklahoma. She is very knowledgeable when it comes to getting the classes set up for ITV classes.

Students can always count on their classes being ready to go on time when she is around. With all the changes that have happened since the pandemic there are more things on her plate when she goes to set up the classes. She must make sure that the desks are wiped off and then she can go and connect the class.

Wickham said, "when the University Center opened back up after being shut down, I didn't know if I could get all the tables cleaned and the classes connected in time."

Wickham added that the classes this semester has changed. "The instructors are not handing out as much paperwork that must be turned in," she said. I do not have the papers to scan in and get to the instructors."

She also said that the way the classes are doing tests is different this semester.

"Some instructors are putting the tests online and not having the UC proctor them, other are telling the students to set up a time that the UC can proctor the tests," she added.

Wickham's interests away from work include playing video games.

She said, "I consider myself as a geek because I likes different animated stuff, and I like to play video games."



## Tonkawa Bookstore

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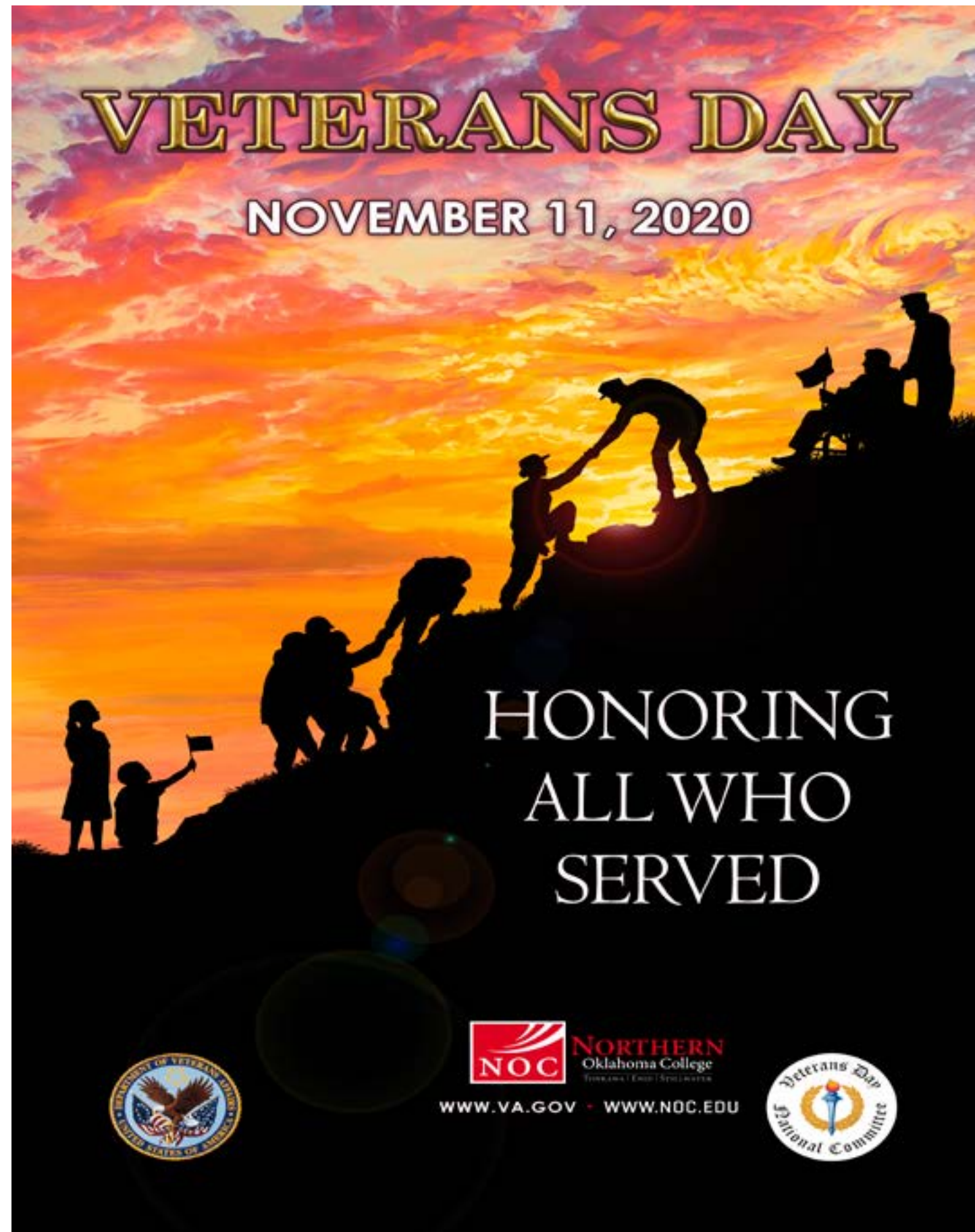
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## Weekend College new for Spring 2021

Northern Oklahoma College is partnering with the University Center in Ponca City for the newly created Weekend College for Spring 2021.

The new program offers college credit classes on Friday evenings and Saturdays. Students can earn credits for an Associate of Science degree in Arts and Sciences – General Studies within a 2-year cycle.

In addition to onsite at the University Center, all Weekend College classes are also offered through sections of NOC's Online Live, allowing students who otherwise could not attend in person in Ponca City the flexibility to participate in the program.

Classes for Weekend College meet Friday evening and all-day Saturday over three weeks. Class times are Friday from 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. – noon and 1:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

"These classes are designed to give students another option for completing an associate degree around busy life schedules when jobs, family time, and other activities may conflict with traditional day and night courses," said Dr. Pam Stinson, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

University Center Chief Executive Officer Adam Leaming is excited for the new venture.

"The UC has historically sought to serve the non-traditional student," Leaming said. "Now with NOC's weekend in person format, we can expand our portfolio of services to include a new group of students who seek that in person college experience that can have profound impacts on a person's future while at the same time allowing them to continue juggling their work and personal life."

Spring 2021 classes offered in the Weekend College format include Orientation, English Composition II, Math Applications, Introduction to Psychology, Late American History, Introduction to Oral Communication, Introduction to Health, Education & Wellness, and Introduction to Process Technology.

The program assists non-traditional students who cannot attend classes during a traditional Monday-Friday timeframe and wish to obtain an associate degree.

It also helps traditional students who desire to

accelerate their degree completion or need to fit a course in their schedule. Concurrent students are also eligible to take courses in the weekend format.

Individuals working full-time needing college credit for advancement and promotion may take advantage as well as individuals seeking a career change, individuals planning to re-enter the job market or anyone who desires to increase their learning or expertise.

Students can take from one to four classes each semester in Weekend College and can take either online classes or summer classes to get 30 credits per year, allowing them to graduate with an Associate of Arts and Science degree within two years.

Tuition and fees are the same as day courses. Financial aid and scholarships are available. Online academic advising, tutoring, and other amenities are also available for Weekend College students.

Students may enroll in Weekend College at [www.noc.edu](http://www.noc.edu), call Northern Oklahoma College at 580.628.6207 or the University Center at 580.718.5600 or email the UC at [www.ucponcacity.com](http://www.ucponcacity.com).

NOC, a public two-year community college, serves approximately 5,700 students annually on the home campus in Tonkawa, branch in Enid, NOC/OSU Gateway Program in Stillwater, online, and the University Center in Ponca City. Of these students about 60% receive financial aid and/or scholarships. Over 80% of NOC students complete their degree with zero debt.

NOC is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and offers associate degrees in three general areas: Arts, Science and Applied Science. The associate degree fulfills lower-division course work which is applicable towards a bachelor's degree.

The University Center in Ponca City was founded in 1999 with 40 students and two classrooms. Today, in its new location the UC serves approximately 250 students each semester with 16 different classrooms. The UC provides courses and programs from its two college partners, NOC and NWOSU. In addition, The UC serves students by providing financial aid assistance, academic advisement, testing services, and more.



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