



The City of Grove will host a beam signing ceremony for Grove area residents at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at the new police station. The beam will then be placed in the roof of the building, symbolizing support for the project, which is funded by sales tax. Everyone is invited to the ceremony. A fire department beam signing ceremony will be held at a later time.

## CLEORA EMERGES AS TOP SCHOOL IN NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA

**Sheila Stogsdill**

Contributor

Once again, Cleora Schools is the only school in the far corner of the state to receive top marks. The Oklahoma state report card indicates how individual schools perform in several areas and includes student demographic information.

The 167-student population at Cleora scored significantly higher in English, math, and science than the rest of the state. The rural Delaware County school offers classes for students from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade.

After eighth grade, students transfer to Grove, Miami, Ketchum, Afton, and Fairland to finish their academic careers.

The state earned a "D" for the composite academic grade, but improvements were seen in English, math, and science scores, the report showed.

According to the state report card, 697,186 students were enrolled in Oklahoma schools during the 2024-2025 school year. The report card includes information and grades on academic achievement, academic growth, and graduation.

In Ottawa County, 5,356 students attend 22 schools; in Craig County, 2,365 students attend 13 schools; and in Delaware County, 6,246 students attend 20 schools.



## OSDE releases 2025 Public School Report Card

The Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) has published the 2025 Public School Report Card, now available at Oklaschools.com. The report provides a statewide snapshot of how public schools are serving students in academic performance, growth, and opportunity, offering educators, families, and communities the data needed to support student success.

### Overall Highlights

- 1,734 public schools received report card grades, up from 1,723 last year.
- A small number of schools did not receive a grade due to insufficient student enrollment for required metrics.
- Compared to 2024, three fewer schools received an "F," though overall grades declined slightly, with more schools earning D's.
- English Language Arts showed progress, and graduation rates improved.

### Performance Indicators

- Academic Achievement: 26% of students met proficiency targets in ELA and math; 30% in science ("D").
- Academic Growth: 56% of students demonstrated growth, up 3% from last year.

- ELPA Progress: 34% of English learners are on track to meet language acquisition goals ("B").

- Postsecondary Opportunity: 54% of 11th and 12th graders participated in early college and career experiences ("B").

- Chronic Absenteeism: 81% of students maintained good attendance ("D").

- Graduation Rate: Four-year graduation rate rose to 82.2% for the class of 2024 ("D"), below the 90% goal.

OSDE issued a statement thanking educators, administrators, and staff

across the state for their "dedication to data quality, which makes the report card possible and ensures families and communities have the information they need to support students."

### Policy Update

Under SB711, Chronic Absenteeism will be removed as a required measure of school success in the accountability system starting in 2025-2026, pending federal approval of Oklahoma's ESSA Plan Amendment. Attendance improvements may still be counted for bonus points.

For the full report, visit Oklaschools.com.

"Your efforts make the Oklahoma School Report Card possible and ensure that families and communities have the information they need to support student success," stated OSDE.

## LEGALS

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
WITHIN AND FOR  
DELAWARE COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

CARRINGTON MORTGAGE  
SERVICES, LLC  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

VICTOR A OTT, et al.  
Defendant(s)

**NO: CJ-2025-208  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TO: Spouse of Barbara J Ott,  
Unknown Successors of Barbara  
J. Ott, Deceased

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued by the above named Plaintiff, and that you must answer the Petition of said Plaintiff on file in said cause on or before January 21, 2026, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered, foreclosing any interest you may have in the following-described real estate (property) situated in Delaware County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

Lot Twenty-Three (23), Jackson Heights Addition, a subdivision in Delaware County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof.

for the sum for:

Reason:

Unpaid Principal Balance

Amount:

\$70,256.46

Date of Default

May 1, 2025

Interest Due From

April 1, 2025

Interest Rate(s)

3.37500 %

\*as adjusted by the Note and Mortgage

including all advances by Plaintiff, if any, for taxes, insurance premiums, or expenses necessary for the preservation of the subject property, all costs of this action, reasonable attorney's fees and costs as the Court may allow, and the costs of foreclosing your interest in the property and ordering said property sold with or without appraisal as Plaintiff may elect, all of which you will take due notice.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 14th day of November,

2025.

**Delaware County Court Clerk,  
By: Ashlynn Roberson  
DEPUTY COURT CLERK**

Don Timberlake - # 9021  
Kim S. Jenkins - # 32809  
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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF DELAWARE COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

JASON GAINES ETZEL, TRACY  
ROCHELLE ETZEL, BRENT  
JACKSON TIPTON, LESLIE  
IVANN TIPTON, JARED LEE  
FUSER, and MINDI JEAN  
FUSER, Plaintiffs,

v.

EVERETTE FRANKLIN MARTIN  
and CARROL ROSS MARTIN,  
deceased, et al., Defendants.

**Case No. CV-2025-00165  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TO: The unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of Everette Franklin Martin, deceased, and Carroll Ross Martin, deceased, and all other persons claiming any right, title, or interest in the following described real property:

Lot Three (3), Block Three (3) in Leisure Shores, Delaware County, Oklahoma  
Property ID: 25N22E-12-0-00427-003-0003

You are hereby notified that Plaintiffs Jason Gaines Etzel, Tracy Rochelle Etzel, Brent Jackson Tipton, Leslie Ivann Tipton, Jared Lee Fuser, and Mindi Jean Fuser have filed a Petition in the District Court of Delaware County, Oklahoma, Case No. CV-2025-00165, claiming title by adverse possession to the above-described real property.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 14th day of November,

The Petition alleges that Plaintiffs have been in actual, open, notorious, exclusive, hostile, and continuous possession of said property since June 30, 2018, have paid all taxes thereon, and have made substantial improvements to the property.

You are further notified that unless you answer the Petition on or before January 31, 2026, the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be rendered accordingly, quieting title to said property in the Plaintiffs.

Brent Tipton  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING  
AN APPLICATION FOR A  
NEW PERMIT TO SUPPLY  
RECLAIMED WATER**

This is notice that Grand Lake Public Works Authority, 27761 S. Hwy 125 Afton, OK 74331, has filed an application on December 3, 2025 for a permit to supply reclaimed water from a facility located at 27761 S Hwy 125 Afton OK 74331. The supplied Category 4 reclaimed water will be used for Golf Course Irrigation located at 24N 23E Sections 4, 5, 8, 9, 16 in Delaware County OK. If further information is needed, please contact Grand Lake Public Works Authority, 27761 S. Hwy 125, Afton OK 74331, (918)257-5833. The application may be reviewed at the Grand Lake Public Works Authority, 27761 S. Hwy 125 Afton, OK 74331.

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**DISTRICT COURT OF  
DELAWARE COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF DON LAVERNE  
BURCHAM, DECEASED**

**No. PB-2025-104  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
IN AND FOR  
DELAWARE COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

In the Matter of the Estate of  
JANA RAY KIMBALL, deceased.

**Case No. PB-2025-38  
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL  
ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,  
LEGATEES, AND DEVISEES,  
DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION  
AND DISCHARGE**

Notice is hereby given that Kristy Lynn Beamish and Kerry Lee Jolly, the duly appointed and qualified Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Jana Ray Kimball, deceased, have filed in this Court a Final Account of the administration of said estate and a Petition for Determination of Heirs, Legatees, and Devisees, Decree of Distribution and Discharge; hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of the District Court

of Delaware County, Oklahoma for the 30th day of December, 2025, at the hour of 1:30 o'clock p.m., at the Courtroom of said Court, in the County Courthouse at Jay, Delaware County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said Final Account should not be settled and allowed, heirs, legatees and devisees determined, said estate distributed and the Co-Personal Representatives discharged.

/s/ David Crutchfield  
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT  
COURT

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Representatives**

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## PUBLIC AUCTION

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025**

**Address: 59300 E. 170 RD. • FAIRLAND, OK 74343**

**Directions: From the East Side of Fairland, OK @ the Jct of Hwy 60 &**

**170 Rd, Turn West on 170 Rd. Go 2/10 mi. Turn Right (N) to**

**Auction Property. Pasture Parking**

**We'll Be Running 1 AUCTION ALL DAY!**

**BASS BOAT, TRAVEL TRAILER, POLARIS, PICKUPS,  
CARS, BUGGY, TRACTOR, IMPLEMENTS, TRAILERS,  
GENERATOR, WOOD SPLITTER, TOOLS, TOOL BOXES,  
TACK, FUEL + WATER TANKS, ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES,  
GRILL AND SMOKER, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND MORE!**

**OWNERS**

**JAY and VELDA MILLER**

**MENNO and EDITH EICHER**

**PUBLIC  
AUCTION  
FAIRLAND, OK**

**AUCTION**

**9:36 AM**

**STARTS @ 9:36 AM**

**LIVE ONSITE and ONLINE for**

**LOTS 2-45 @ 11:01 AM**

**www.chuppsauction.com**

**Lunch will be served by the Grand Lake Mennonite Church.**

**All proceeds will be donated to the medical needs for 2 children in the Community.**

**Auctioneer's Note:** The Millers & Eichers are downsizing and selling surplus items not needed. Don't miss this sale! Follow us on Facebook for updates or visit our website for pictures at [www.chuppsauction.com](http://www.chuppsauction.com)

**TERMS: Cash - Pay Day of Auction - Most Credit Cards Accepted - Check with Proper ID - Concession  
NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS. ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS DAY OF SALE SUPERSEDES PREVIOUS ADVERTISING.**

**CHUPPS AUCTION & REAL ESTATE**

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