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Ponca City Public School District Saddened Over the Loss of Another Member of their Student Family

“It is with great sadness I am reporting another loss to our school family, Aidan Hundley, on September 9, 2019,” said Ponca City Public School Superintendent Shelley Arrott. “Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Hundley family and friends at this incredibly difficult time.”

“Our counselors, district therapists, and school psychologists have met with individual students as well as groups of students collectively and have been a continued presence at the high school since the loss of Braydon Rutz last week, continued Arrott. “We have taken many steps as a school community to move forward. We are bringing in state agencies to work with our local agencies and school officials to devise a plan to educate staff, parents, and patrons to support students and work toward recovery. Action has been taken to bring our community, parents, law enforcement, support agencies, clergy, and staff together as a team to support our students and educate everyone about how to recognize and report the signs of mental stress.”

The school district will continue to have counselors, therapists, and psychologists available to sites throughout the day and during activities to support all students and staff through this difficult time. Any interested student or staff member may also contact Kirk Hollis, district therapist, at 580-718-3827.

Information about the funeral will be provided when it is available. The Hundley family has extended an invitation to friends and family to feel free to contact them.