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POLK COUNTY SCHOOL REPORT

Following is a report of the schools of Polk county for the school month ending December 3, 1909:

Number of schools reporting on time	62
Number of schools failing to report on time, districts No. 22, 41	41
Number of pupils remaining at last report	3496
Number of pupils registered new during the month	81
Number of pupils registered secondary during the month	23
Number of pupils readmitted during the month	152
Total number of pupils on register during month	2692
Number of pupils dropped during the month	277
Number of pupils remaining at time of this report	2416
Number of days taught during the month	18
Whole number of days attendance	41441
Whole number of days absence	2354
Whole number of times late	540
Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy	1322
Average number of pupils being longed	2433
Average daily attendance	2302
Per cent of attendance	94.5
Number of visits by parents	84
Number of visits by members of school boards	47

The following schools were placed on the roll of honor for the county for having made a per cent of attendance of 95 or more:—Zena, Dallas, Red Prairie, Bridgeport, Monmouth, Airle, Bethel, Perrydale, Gooseneck, Cochran, Rickreall, Oak Point, Independence, Brush College, West Salem, Buena Vista, Spring Valley, Pop Corn, Harmony, Upper Salt Creek, Lincoln, Etna, McTimmonds Valley, Greenwood, Fir Grove, Oakdale, Teals Liberty, Pioneer.

The following were placed on the roll of honor for the county for having had no tardies during the month: Smithfield, Valley View, Seroggins, Gooseneck, Brush College, Harmony, Lincoln, Etna, McTimmonds Valley, Greenwood, Fir Grove, Oakdale, Teals Liberty, Pioneer.

The attendance last month has not been as good as was the month before but owing to the snow and high water it has been much better than one could expect and if all work for as good attendance the rest of the year as all have thus far, we will reach the 95 per cent for which we are working.

There have been many more visits by both parents and members of the school boards this month than before. This is what all school people are asking for and if all parents and school officers, also others interested in the schools will visit them more much better work will be secured from both pupils and teachers.

All must continue to work for better sanitation, and work all the time as it is desired that Polk county be the Blue Ribbon county for school sanitation.

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D. W. Sears, Secretary.
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Dated this 3 day of December, 1909.

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