



Easy to find

Ponca is on Arkansas Highway 43 in Newton County, a quarter-mile north of the Arkansas Highway 74 intersection.

Open five days a week

10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Closed Tuesday and Wednesday
**Hours may change with seasons;
call to check.*



**Ponca Elk
Education Center**

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**Conservation
through education**

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Don't miss the opportunity to see elk in their natural habitat along Arkansas Highways 43 and 21 in Boxley Valley. You'll have greater success at dawn and dusk when the elk frequent the grassy fields along the highways. Be alert! It is common for elk to cross highways.

Be sure to stop by the Center for the latest sightings and area information, or just to relax and enjoy the exhibits and activities for all ages. **Admission is free!**



Interpretive

An exhibit room, complete with full-body mounts of elk in natural settings and an Arkansas black bear, helps you explore and enjoy the environment. Visitors find hands-on displays of hides, skulls and other interesting artifacts, a geology display, interactive computer quizzes, as well as a birding window to view the many species of birds that frequent the feeders.

Educational

Groups may schedule time for use of the facility for a customized program. All educational materials and supplies are provided free of charge. Call for details and scheduling.

Enjoyable

Relax in rustic log rockers or benches on a shady wraparound deck overlooking Ponca Creek while observing some of the area's flora and fauna. A lazy trail along the creek offers a closer look, while nearby picnic tables, covered pavilion and large grassy area provide room for fun and games.



For an educational and fun souvenir, shop our gift corner for books, videos, shirts and more. Hunting and fishing licenses also are available.

The center is within easy access to some exceptional camping, canoeing, swimming and fishing on the Buffalo National River, along with some of the finest hiking trails in the state. Cabin and canoe rentals are available.

The Ponca Elk Education Center is operated by the Education Division of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.