

MAY 12, 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION LOCAL CANDIDATES & QUESTIONS

Incumbents filing deadline - February 17, 2026 (NOTE: An Incumbent is anyone holding any elected office)

Non-incumbents filing deadline - March 2, 2026

NOTE: Names of individuals listed below that have a (*) in front of their names are the current office holders (Incumbents) - when/if they file for re-election to their office they are currently holding - city, zip and the date/time columns will be completed.

Posted 1.12.2026 2:35 p.m. Updated 1.23.2026 11:25 a.m.

Name	City	Zip	Date & Time Filed	Phone #
County Tickets				
For Clerk of District Court - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Patty J McEvoy - Republican	Wahoo	68066	1/5/2026 8:17 AM	402-443-9389
For County Assessor/Register of Deeds - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Rhonda J. Andresen - Republican	Wahoo	68066	1/5/2026 9:25 AM	402-443-6437
For County Attorney- Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Jennifer Dionne Joakim - Republican	Valparaiso	68065	1/5/2026 9:56 AM	402-202-2941
For County Clerk - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Dee Anne Nice - Republican	Wahoo	68066	1/5/2026 8:01 AM	402-443-6768
For County Sheriff - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Chris Lichtenberg - Republican	Cedar Bluffs	68015	1/7/2026 2:11 PM	402-480-1432
For County Surveyor - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Jerry Charles - Republican	Mead	68041	1/5/2026 11:06 AM	402-443-6955
For County Treasurer - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Amber G. Scanlon - Republican	Wahoo	68066	1/5/2026 12:21 PM	402-443-6906
For Member of the Board of Supervisors District 1 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*David N. Lutton - Republican	Ashland	68003	1/20/2026 12:30 PM	402-944-3383
For Member of the Board of Supervisors District 3 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Bill Reece - Republican	Wahoo	68066	1/13/2026 10:56 AM	402-416-5471
For Member of the Board of Supervisors District 5 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*John Smaus - Republican	Prague	68050	1/20/2026 1:03 PM	402-525-3898
For Member of the Board of Supervisors District 7 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Frank Albrecht - Republican	Valparaiso	68065	1/6/2026 11:55 AM	402-540-9864
Saunders County Lottery Question				
SHALL the County of Saunders establish a Lottery as permitted under the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act for the purpose of community betterment as defined in the Act?				
Yes (For Such lottery)				
No (Against such lottery)				
City Tickets				
City of Ashland				
For Mayor City of Ashland -Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
Jim Pinkman	Ashland	68003	1/6/2026 10:39 AM	402-440-9681
*Jim Anderson	Ashland	68003	1/7/2026 11:43 AM	531-207-4394
For Member of Ashland City Council Ward 1 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Jerry Lofberg				
Caleb Alcorn	Ashland	68003	1/16/2026 8:36 AM	402-326-9829

City Tickets - Continued

City of Ashland - Continued

For Member of Ashland City Council Ward 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Michelle Libal					
Chad Hart	Ashland	68003	1/12/2026	12:45 PM	402-440-2742

City of Wahoo

For Mayor City of Wahoo - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Jerry Johnson	Wahoo	68066	1/7/2026	11:04 AM	402-277-0807
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For Member of Wahoo City Council Ward 1 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Carl Warford					
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For Member of Wahoo City Council Ward 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Shane Sweet	Wahoo	68066	1/21/2026	8:55 AM	402-203-3431
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For Member of Wahoo City Council Ward 3 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Stuart Krejci					
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For Member of the Wahoo Airport Authority - Vote for ONE - 6 Year Term

*R. Michael Lawver					
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City of Yutan

For Mayor City of Yutan - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Matt Thompson					
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For Member of Yutan City Council East Ward - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Brett Lawton	Yutan	68073	1/20/2026	3:59 PM	402-570-7274
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For Member of Yutan City Council West Ward - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Kyle Schimenti	Yutan	68073	1/16/2026	12:31 PM	402-669-0148
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School Tickets

Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools Dist. #1

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

Adam M Novotny	Ashland	68003	1/5/2026	11:00 AM	402-709-7112
*Kylie Heflin	Ashland	68003	1/6/2026	9:30 AM	402-499-5340
Donnie Laughlin Jr.	Ashland	68003	1/6/2026	9:31 AM	402-305-8860
*Karen Stille	Ashland	68003	1/6/2026	9:32 AM	402-416-3264
*Russ Westerhold					
Alexis Fudge	Ashland	68003	1/12/2026	3:50 PM	308-470-1390

Yutan Public Schools Dist. #9

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Bill Hancock					
*Judy Daniell					
*Gary Hollst					

Wahoo Public Schools Dist. #39

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Brett Eddie					
*Di Pfeiffer					
*Bob Sullivan					

Mead Public Schools Dist. #72

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Brenda Halbmaier					
*Richard Kuhr					
*Kevin Popken					

School Tickets - Continued

Cedar Bluffs Public Schools #107

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Jeremy Pleskac					
*Todd Thiesen	Cedar Bluffs	68015	1/20/2026	12:45 PM	402-510-5352
*Tim Shanahan					

Raymond Central Public Schools #161

For Member of the Board of Education Ward 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Cathy Burklund					
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For Member of the Board of Education Ward 4 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Derek Matulka					
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For Member of the Board of Education Ward 6 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Mary Benes					
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Other Counties School Tickets - Candidates for the following schools, will file at the Counties listed below

Butler County - Call Butler County Clerk for candidate filings 402-367-7430

East Butler Public Schools Dist. 2R

For Member of the Board of Education North Ward - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Dylan Spatz					
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For Member of the Board of Education Middle Ward - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Sarah Strizek					
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For Member of the Board of Education South Ward - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Ryan Pekarek					
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David City Public Schools Dist. 56

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Stephanie Summers					
*Kasey Kuhlman					
*Aaron Rerucha					

Colfax County - Call Colfax County Clerk for candidate filings 402-352-8506

Schuyler Community Public Schools Dist. 123

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Rich Brabec					
*Brian Vavricek					
*Virginia Semerad					

Dodge County - Call Dodge County Clerk for candidate filings 402-727-2767

Fremont Public School Dist. 1

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Terry Sorensen Jr.					
*Sandi Proskovec					
*Mike Petersen					

North Bend Central Public School Dist. 595

For Member of the Board of Education - Vote for up to THREE - 4 Year Term

*Andy Swanson					
*Justin J. Taylor					
*Nick Emanuel					

2026 Candidate Filings at the State level for Saunders County

As seen on the Secretary of State's web site - <https://sos.nebraska.gov>

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Name	City	Zip	Date & Time Filed	Phone #
For Representative in Congress - District 2 - Vote for ONE - 2 Year Term				
Van Argyrakis - Democratic		NE		732-789-7369
Brinker Harding - Republican	Omaha	NE		402-214-4448
For Govenor - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
Sheila J. Korth-Focken - Republican	Long Pine	NE		402-312-2703
Gary L. Rogge - Republican		NE		402-274-3484
For Secretary of State - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Bob Evnen - Republican		NE		402-423-3203
Lee M. Cimfel - Democrat	Kearney	NE		308-440-9553
For State Treasurer - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Joey Spellerberg - Republican	Lincoln	NE		402-919-1805
For Attoreny General - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
For Auditor of Public Accounts - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Mike Foley		NE		402-840-7595
For Member of the State Board of Education - District 5 - 4 Year Term				
Michaela Conway		NE		402-418-0005
Angie Eberspacher		NE		402-643-8018
Southeast Community College				
For Board of Governors - District 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
Lower Platte North Natural Resources District				
For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 1 - Vote for ONE - 2 Year Term				
*Anthony Hanson				
For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 1 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*Lon Olson				
For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*John Goldsberry				
For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 3 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term				
*David Saalfeld				

Lower Platte North Natural Resources District - Continued

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 4 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Chris Yosten

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 5 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Mark Seier

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 6 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Joe Birkel

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 7 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Ryan Engel

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 8 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Jerry Johnson

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 9 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Duane Johnson

For Board of Directors - At Large - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Thomas McKnight

Lower Platte South Natural Resources District

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 1 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Gary Hellerich

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 2 - Vote for ONE - 2 Year Term

*David A. Hibler

Murray

NE

402-657-0158

Mark Patton

NE

402-224-9672

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 2 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Mark Spangler

For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 3 - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*Melissa Baker

NE

402-217-1547

For Board of Directors - At Large - Vote for ONE - 4 Year Term

*David Landis