

Public Notice of 2026 Primary Election

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 12th day of May, 2026 at the usual polling places in the County of Nemaha, Nebraska, an election will be held. The polls will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Said election will be for nominating candidates to various offices. Listed below are candidates whose names shall appear on the Primary Ballot.

Note: 4 year term unless otherwise indicated.

SENATE TICKET	
For United States Senator 6 Year Term	
Eric Mortimore	Republican
Pete Ricketts	Republican
Todd Knobel	Republican
Mac Stevens	Republican
Debb Axtell Schultz	Republican
William J. Forbes	Democratic
Cindy Burbank	Democratic
Earl Starkey	LMN
Mike Marvin	LMN
CONGRESSIONAL TICKET	
For Representative in Congress District 3 2 Year Term	
David P. Huebner	Republican
Adrian Smith	Republican
Becky Kelly Stille	Democratic
David J. Else	LMN
STATE TICKET	
For Governor	
Sheila J. Korth-Focken	Republican
Gary L. Rogge	Republican
Jim Pillen	Republican
Jacy Todd	Republican
Sal Holguin	Republican
John Walz	Republican
Lynne Walz	Democratic
Larry Marvin	Democratic
Rick Beard	LMN
James J. Charvat III	LMN

STATE TICKET CONTINUED	
For Secretary of State	
Bob Evnen	Republican
Scott Petersen	Republican
Lee M. Cimfel	Democratic
Sarah J. Slattery	Democratic
For State Treasurer	
Joey Spellerberg	Republican
Daniel Ebers	Democratic
For Attorney General	
Mike Hilgers	Republican
Jocelyn Brasher	Democratic
For Auditor of Public Accounts	
Mike Foley	Republican
COUNTY TICKET	
For County Commissioner District 3	
Michael J. Weiss	Republican
Kim Buchmeier	Republican
Marvin D. Bohling	Republican
Philip Gerdes	Republican
For County Attorney	
Angelo M. Ligouri	Republican
Seth W. Hawkins	Republican

NONPARTISAN TICKET	
CITY TICKET	
For Mayor of Auburn	
Chris Erickson	Gary Nerison
Stephanie Holmes	Allen E. Lindon

City of Peru
Recall

Shall Theresa Westfall be removed from the Office of Member of the City Council of the City of Peru, Nebraska?

Yes, for such removal
 No, against removal

Qualified Electors voting in favor of any proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "Yes, for such removal" following such proposition, and qualified electors voting against any proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the word "No, against such removal" following such proposition.



In compliance with Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 32-811, some races will not appear on the Primary Election Ballot as the number of candidates filing does not exceed twice the number of vacancies; these candidates are declared nominated and advance to the General Election. Therefore, the races listed below will not appear on the Primary Ballot.

COUNTY TICKET	
For County Commissioner District 1	
Michael K. Hall	Republican
For County Clerk	
Diane L. Johnson	Republican
For County Treasurer	
Jana J. Gerdes	Republican
For County Assessor	
Mallory A. Lempka	Republican
For Clerk of District Court	
Mary M. Mellage	Republican
For County Sheriff	
Brent Lottman	Republican
For County Surveyor	
Jeff Boden	Republican
NONPARTISAN TICKET	
Southeast Community College For Board of Governors - District 2 Brandon Gunther	
Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors	
Subdistrict 7	Eric Wilke
Subdistrict 8	Dick James
At Large	Tracy Ensor
Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors 2 Year Term	
Subdistrict 8	Klark Knipe
Nebraska Public Power District Subdivision 1 6 Year Term Mary Harding	

SCHOOL TICKET	
For School District 29 School Board Member Vote for 3	
Ryan M. Jones	Laura M. Osborne
Beth Kernes Krause	Kevin Reiman
Katy Billings	
For School District 23 School Board Member	
Chester Bohling	Mitch Neddenriep
For School District 111 School Board Member	
Brent B. Shanholtz	Robert Elson
For School District RC56 School Board Member	
Cassandra A. Goff	Teresa L. Olberding
Anthony S. Johansen	
For School District 70 School Board Member	
Neal A. Kanel	Heath Finke
David A. Mezger	Ashley Shupp
For School District 50 School Board Member	
Kim Wellensiek	Don Gaden
Scott D. Straka	Elisa Prado

CITY TICKET	
For Member of Auburn City Council 1st Ward Logan C. Merz Shawn Clark	
For Member of Auburn City Council 2nd Ward Brian Lavigne	
For Member of Auburn City Council 3rd Ward Nathan R. Seitz Dawna Hall	
For Auburn Airport Authority 6 Year Term Kendall Neiman Cody Bradley	
For Member of Peru City Council At Large Philip Wernhoff Brent Brown	

I, Diane Johnson, County Clerk of the County of Nemaha, do hereby certify that the foregoing named persons have fulfilled requirements of law and each is entitled to have his or her name placed on an official ballot for the office as designated above.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2026.