

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTICE is hereby given, that on TUESDAY, the 12TH day of MAY, 2026, an election will be held at the following polling places in the voting districts of Red Willow County, Nebraska:

Voting Districts:

- Bartley
- Beaver
- Indianola
- Northwest
- Southwest
- Ward One - Precinct 1
- Ward One - Precinct 2
- Ward One - Precinct 3
- Ward Two - Precinct 1
- Ward Two - Precinct 2
- Ward Three - Precinct 1
- Ward Three - Precinct 3
- Ward Four - Precinct 1

Polling Places:

- Bartley Town Hall
- Danbury Community Center
- St. Catherine's Hall
- Community Building - Fairgrounds
- McCook Christian Church
- McCook KC Hall
- MCC East Campus
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church
- 4-H Building - Fairgrounds
- Community Building - Fairgrounds
- McCook Christian Church
- Cornerstone Church
- Evangelical Free Church

The polls will open at 8:00 a.m. (CDT) and close at 8:00 p.m. (CDT). Said election will be for nominating candidates to various offices.

NAME OF OFFICE:	NUMBER TO BE ELECTED:	PARTISAN OR NON-PARTISAN:	TERM:	FILING FOR OFFICE:
United States Senator	1	P	Six Years	Eric Mortimore [R] Pete Ricketts [R] Todd Knobel [R] Mac Stevens [R] Debb Axtell Schultz [R] William J. Forbes [D] Earl Starkey [LMN] Mike Marvin [LMN]
Representative in Congress - District 3	1	P	Two Years	David P. Huebner [R] Adrian Smith [R] Becky Kelly Stille [D] David J. Else [LMN]
Governor	1	P	Four Years	Sheila J. Korth-Focken [R] Gary L. Rogge [R] Jim Pillen [R] Jacy Todd [R] Sal Holguin [R] John Walz [R] Lynne Walz [D] Larry Marvin [D] Rick Beard [LMN] James J. Charvat III [LMN]
Secretary of State	1	P	Four Years	Bob Evnen [R] Scott Petersen [R] Lee M. Cimfel [D] Sarah J. Slattery [D]
State Treasurer	1	P	Four Years	Joey Spellerberg [R] Dan Ebers [D]
Attorney General	1	P	Four Years	Mike Hilgers [R] Jocelyn Brasher [D]
Auditor of Public Accounts	1	P	Four Years	Mike Foley [R]
County Clerk	1	P	Four Years	Penny Cooper [R] Leanne Miller [R]
County Commissioner - District 1	1	P	Four Years	Ted Gans [R] Joseph Robinson [R]
County Commissioner - District 3	1	P	Four Years	Michael Pochop [R] Charles Fritsche [R]
County Sheriff	1	P	Four Years	Dalton Downing [R] Milton Blaine Varney [R]
Member of the Legislature - District 38	1	N/P	Four Years	Melanie Knight Tim Anderson Wes Wilmot Jon Capps Janell Anderson Ehrke
Member of the State Board of Education - District 7	1	N/P	Four Years	Elizabeth Tegtmeier
Hitchcock County Schools District No. 0070 Members of the Board of Education	3	N/P	Four Years	Loren Wagner Lyndsay Lashley Joe Shanle Lacey Alig Blake Shuler Sydney Pollmann Linnette Kisker
City of McCook Council Members	3	N/P	Four Years	Gene Weedin Kaleb Taylor Chelsey Eng Nick Umscheid Dean McCoy Joel Arterburn Rose Weskamp Dennis Berry

AUTO-ADVANCE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2026

*County Assessor	1	P	Four Years	Lori A. Stevens [R]
*County Attorney	1	P	Four Years	Paul M. Wood [R]
*Clerk of District Court	1	P	Four Years	Lori J. O'Dea [R]
*County Surveyor	1	P	Four Years	Doug Terry [R]
*County Treasurer	1	P	Four Years	Crystal Dack [R]
** Mid-Plains Community College Board of Governors - District 1	1	N/P	Four Years	Kimberly A. Korgan
** Middle Republican Natural Resources District Board of Directors - Subdistrict 1	1	N/P	Four Years	Andy O'Dea
** Middle Republican Natural Resources District Board of Directors - Subdistrict 2	1	N/P	Four Years	Jay A. Schilling
** Middle Republican Natural Resources District Board of Directors - Subdistrict 3	1	N/P	Four Years	Shane Rippen
** Middle Republican Natural Resources District Board of Directors - Subdistrict 4	1	N/P	Four Years	Kevin Fornoff
Nebraska Public Power District - Subdivision 4	1	N/P	Two Years	Kirk Olson
** McCook Public Schools District No. 0017 Members of the Board of Education	3	N/P	Four Years	Michael P. Langan Nathan Hudson Scott Barger Tasha Blomstedt
** Southwest Public Schools District No. 0179 Members of the Board of Education	3	N/P	Four Years	Jason Neseth Jenni McConville Kyle Teel Jason Kloopping
**Cambridge Public Schools District No. 0021 Members of the Board of Education	3	N/P	Four Years	Virgil Banzhaf Trevor L. Kubik Garrett Burke Chad Johnson Drew Cramer
** City of Indianola Mayor	1	N/P	Four Years	Travis VanPelt
** City of Indianola Council Members	2	N/P	Four Years	Travis Herrman Harry Marks

[R] Republican [D] Democratic [L] Libertarian [LMN] Legal Marijuana NOW

*LB56 was passed and signed by the Governor on February 18, 2014. This law affects the county races that will appear on the 2026 primary election ballots. When only one person files for office, and no write-in affidavit is received by March 2, the race will not appear on the primary ballot. The one person filing will be declared nominated and will advance to the General election.

**Pursuant to law, where filings do not exceed two candidates for each vacancy, candidates are duly declared nominated in the Primary Election and their names will appear on the ballot for the General Election.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of March, 2026.

(SEAL)



Penelope Cooper

Red Willow County Clerk

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