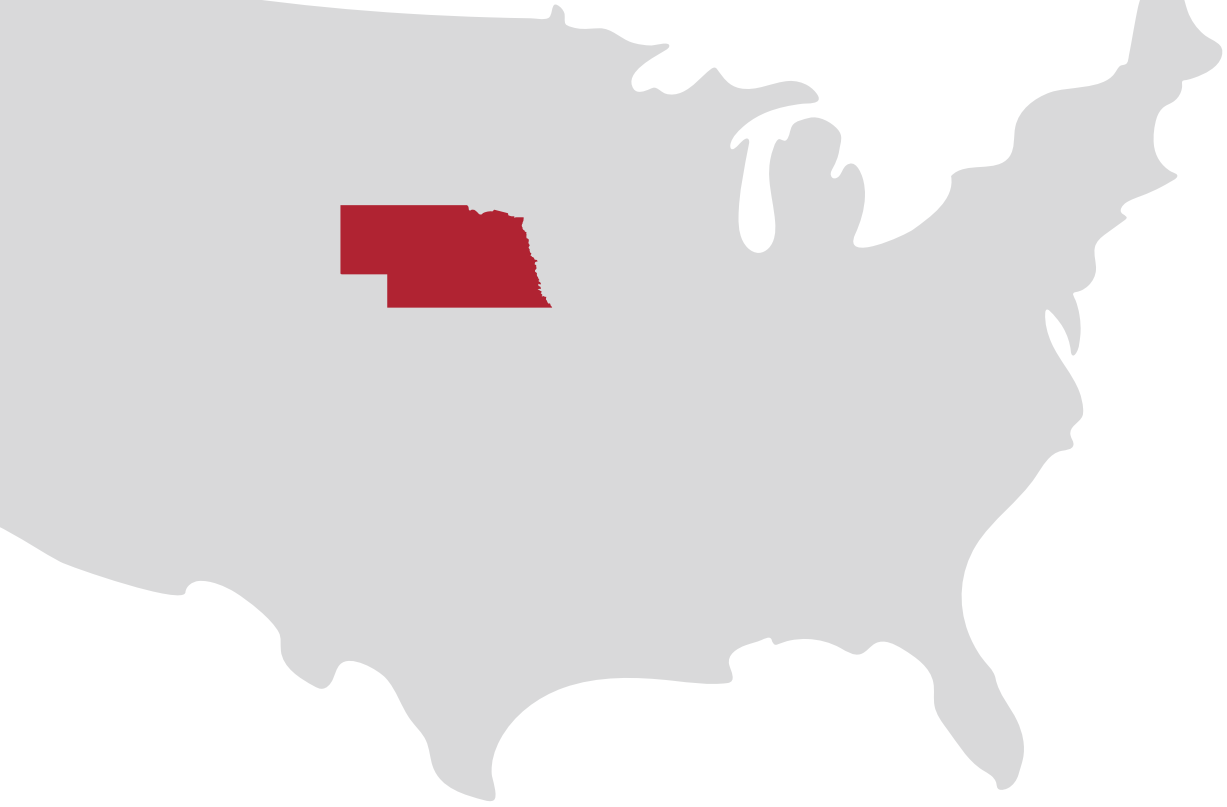


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2026
VOTER GUIDE

DOUGLAS COUNTY

General Election Day - November 3, 2026

2026 Douglas County Voter Guide – General Election

How to get started:

1. **Print off your sample ballot by visiting your county election commission website https://www.votedouglascounty.com/**

2. **Fill out your sample ballot using the voter guide. *Remember:***
   a. Not every race listed below will be on your ballot.
   b. If a race allows you to select multiple candidates but only one is a strong choice, select only that candidate.

3. **Take your completed sample ballot with you to vote on Tuesday, November 3rd. (In-person early voting starts on October 5th).**

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★★★ DOUGLAS COUNTY ★★★

☑ U.S. SENATE (6-YEAR TERM)

PETE RICKETTS - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
Resident of Omaha, NE. Appointed to the seat in 2023 by Governor Jim Pillen to replace Ben Sasse. Ricketts previously served as the governor of Nebraska from 2015 - 2023.	
Abortion: Cosponsor of the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act; supported Ballot Initiative 434 in 2024, which prohibited abortion in Nebraska after the first trimester with exceptions for medical emergency and pregnancies as a result of sexual assault or incest. **Gender Issues:** Supports The Fairness for Girls ballot initiative to keep boys out of girls' sports.	**Immigration:** Cosponsor of the SAVE Act which would require photo ID in elections; Cosponsor the Equal Representation Act to stop counting illegal immigrants in the census. **Foreign Policy:** Supports the U.S. continuing to put pressure on Iran through measures like sanctions to prevent them from developing a nuclear weapon.

DAN OSBORN - INDEPENDENT	
Resident of Omaha, NE. Navy veteran. Former industrial mechanic at the Omaha Kellogg's plant. Former union president (led the 2021 Kellogg's strike in Omaha). Former 2024 senate candidate. Endorsed by the Nebraska Democratic Party.	
Abortion: Opposes national measures to ban abortion **Foreign Policy:** Opposes current U.S. operations in Iran	**Immigration:** Opposes the southern border wall and views it as a "symbol of racism"

MIKE MARVIN - LEGAL MARIJUANA NOW
Resident of Omaha, NE. Former Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of Public Employees. Suspended his campaign on August 21st and endorsed Dan Osborn.

ROBIN RICHARDS - NEBRASKA WORKING PEOPLE	
Resident of Ralston, NE. Current chair of the new Nebraska Working People Party. Current Ralston School Board member. Former write-in candidate for Nebraska Legislature District 12.	
Abortion: Believes that we should not criminalize medical procedures.	**Social Services:** Plans to support child tax credits; wants to expand disability services (particularly for children in rural parts of the country).

CHUCK CONBOY - AMERICA FIRST	
Resident of Papillion, NE. Former president of the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 271.	
Border: Advocates securing and permanently sealing the southern border. **Social Security:** Advocates to protect and preserve Social Security for current and future retirees; opposed	to cutting benefits. **Foreign Policy:** Opposed to the current U.S. conflict with Iran.

☑ U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

District 2

BRINKER HARDING - REPUBLICAN	
First elected to City Council in 2017. He is the former Chief of Staff for former Omaha Mayor Hal Daub. Currently works as a commercial real estate broker.	
Abortion: Pro-life. **Gender Issues:** Supports keeping boys out of girls' sports. **Immigration:** Supports finishing the border wall; Supports	ICE's efforts to deport criminal illegal immigrants. **Foreign Policy:** Supported U.S. actions in Venezuela to capture Nicolas Maduro; Supported U.S. actions in Iran to remove Ali Khamenei.

DENISE POWELL - DEMOCRAT	
Business owner and Co-Founder of the Omaha-based PAC, Women Who Run Nebraska (supports campaigns for progressive women).	
Abortion: Supports expanding access to abortions; received endorsement from EMILYs List (abortion rights group). **Immigration:** Opposed the illegal immigration deportation efforts of ICE in Minneapolis;	Opposes the SAVE Act which would require photo ID in elections. **Foreign Policy:** Opposes current U.S. operations in Iran; Opposed the U.S. operation to capture Nicolas Maduro.

ERIC MICHAEL FOREMAN - LIBERTARIAN	
Resident of Omaha. Currently works in property management and maintenance	
Law Enforcement: Advocates for aggressively prosecuting crimes involving child abuse, trafficking, exploitation, and violent harm; Wants to empower county sheriffs to their constitutional authority. **Social Services:** Believes many social services are	more effective if led by local organizations and community-based solutions; Believes government assistance should encourage pathways toward independence, community involvement, and personal responsibility.

☑ GOVERNOR

JIM PILLEN - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
Resident of Columbus, NE. Elected Governor in 2022. Business owner, rancher, and veterinarian. Former University of Nebraska Regent.	
Abortion: Signed LB574 into law which established a 12-week abortion ban in Nebraska. **Gender Issues:** Signed LB575 into law which banned gender mutilation surgeries for minors and prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports.	**School Funding:** Supports opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students **Taxes:** Advocates for increasing state aid to schools and implementing spending caps on local governments to help reduce property taxes.

LYNNE WALZ - DEMOCRAT

Resident of Fremont, NE. Former teacher and Nebraska State Senator for District 15

Abortion: Voted against LB574 in 2024 which established a 12-week abortion ban in Nebraska.
Gender Issues: Voted against LB574 and LB575 in 2024 which banned gender mutilation surgeries for minors and prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports.
School Funding: Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.

RICK BEARD - LEGALIZE MARIJUANA NOW

Resident of Omaha, NE. Business owner

School Funding: Proposes lowering the levies by legalizing marijuana and taxing sales to help fill the gaps in the budget to fund schools.
Taxes: Proposes lowering the levies by legalizing marijuana and taxing sales.

BRETT LINDSTROM - AMERICA FIRST

Resident of Omaha, NE. Former Nebraska State Senator for District 18. (Jan. 2026: withdrew from Republican primary race for Congress. July 2026: announced bid for Nebraska Governor as registered Independent. Sept. 2026: filed to run for Governor as registered America First)

Abortion: During his 2022 run for governor his stance was: pro-life without exceptions.
School Funding: Proposes having the state carry a larger share of core education funding; advocates working toward reducing the local property tax rate from $1 to $0.50 cents and moving toward the state funding 50% of core educational funding

☑ ATTORNEY GENERAL

MIKE HILGERS - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

Resident of Lincoln, NE. Elected Attorney General in 2022.
Former State Senator for District 21. Founded his own litigation law firm.

Abortion: Defended Nebraska's 12-week limit on abortion.
Gender Issues: Defended Nebraska's ban on gender mutilation surgeries for minors against the ACLU and Planned Parenthood.
Immigration: Sued the Biden Administration to stop them from giving taxpayer benefits to illegal immigrants.
Elections: Sued to hold ballot initiative organizers accountable when fraud was uncovered; Filed a lawsuit against dark-money groups funneling money from foreign nationals seeking to pass liberal ballot initiatives.

JOCELYN BRASHER - DEMOCRAT

Resident of Omaha, NE. Former Assistant Attorney General. Current Deputy Dodge County attorney.
Endorsed by Secular Democrats of Nebraska.

Immigration: Committed to ensuring immigration enforcement in Nebraska complies with constitutional requirements and due process.
Children: Wants to form a task force to combat crimes against children.
Medical Marijuana: Promises to work swiftly to guide patient access to medical cannabis.

☑ AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

MIKE FOLEY - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

Resident of Lincoln, NE. First elected Nebraska State Auditor in 2006. Former State Senator and Lieutenant Governor. Recently uncovered a suspicious $2.5 million no-bid contract between Governor Pillen's office and a consultant, questioned the use of Tax Increment Financing for the Omaha Streetcar project, and alleged Bellevue officials tampered with the public property auction process.

JOHN KNIGHT - AMERICA FIRST

Resident of Clay Center, NE. Current secretary for the America First party. Professional engineer and senior program manager. Wants to prioritize rigorous and independent financial and performance audits of state agencies, oversight of economic development subsidies such as tax increment financing, and transparently publishing audit findings and the data in plain language.

☑ SECRETARY OF STATE

SCOTT PETERSEN - REPUBLICAN

Resident of Omaha, NE. Business owner.

Election Integrity: Wants to restore trust in election systems; advocates for bringing control of elections back to the county level.	**Ballot Initiatives:** Supports a bill that would ban pay-per-signature for ballot initiatives.

SARAH SLATTERY - DEMOCRAT

Resident of Plattsmouth, NE. Chef and small business owner. Filed the petition paperwork that resulted in the recall of Terri Cunningham-Swanson from the Plattsmouth School Board for trying to remove sexually explicit books from the school libraries.

Election Integrity: Advocates for same-day voter registration. **Business Growth:** Advocates for standardized licensing processes and the adoption of cloud-based licensing software.	**Ballot Initiatives:** Supports a bill that would ban pay-per-signature for ballot initiatives.

PAUL RUMBAUGH - NEBRASKA WORKING PEOPLE

Resident of Omaha. Has experience working in roles for sales, customer experience, and operations in technology, telecommunications, and software with a focus on risk management and mitigation.

Election Integrity: Criticizes Scott Petersen for his belief that there was fraud in the 2020 election in Nebraska; opposed Nebraska giving its voter data to the Department of Justice; opposes implementing a Winner-Take-All system in Nebraska.	**Business Growth:** Wants to increase modernization for registering new businesses.

BOB KRIST - AMERICA FIRST

Resident of Omaha. Retired U.S. Air Force. Former Nebraska State Senator for District 10. Former Democratic nominee for Nebraska Governor.

Election Integrity: Disagrees with Nebraska handing over voter data to the federal government; wants to increase transparency, maintain rigorous safeguards, support county officials, modernize the office, and restore confidence in elections.	**Ballot Initiatives:** Does not support ending pay-per-signature for ballot initiatives.

☑ STATE TREASURER

JOEY SPELLERBERG - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

Appointed to the Treasurer's office in November 2025. Resident of Fremont, NE. Former Mayor of Fremont. Current business owner. Wants to prioritize increasing transparency of government spending, ensuring taxpayers receive a strong return on state investments, and aggressively returning unclaimed property to its rightful owners. Wants to also strengthen the state's savings programs and expand financial literacy.

DANIEL EBERS - DEMOCRAT

Resident of Lincoln, NE. Former candidate for U.S. House of Representatives in District 3. Wants to make the office more efficient and ensure the office clearly addresses people who have unclaimed property so that it can be returned to them.

☑ STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

District 8

LOU ANN GODING - REPUBLICAN

Resident of Omaha. Former president of the Omaha Public School Board. Currently serves as treasurer of the Omaha Land Bank Board.

Curriculum: Wants to ensure proficiency in math and reading; wants to prioritize apprenticeships; Advocates for financial literacy programs.
Parental Involvement: Wants to protect parental rights in their child's education; Advocates for public access to budgets and reporting.
Gender Issues: Supports prohibiting men from playing girls' sports and using women's restrooms/locker rooms.

SHERRYE HUTCHERSON - INDEPENDENT

Resident of Omaha. Current Executive Vice President of Bellevue University. Endorsed by the Nebraska State Education Association and the Nebraska Democratic Party.

Curriculum: Wants to focus on literacy and graduation.
Parental Involvement: Believes families must be able to provide input on how their children are educated.
School Choice: Does not support school choice legislation that would enable parents to choose the school that best suits their child's needs.

☑ STATE LEGISLATURE

District 4

BRAD VON GILLERN - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the Legislature in 2022. Former President and CEO of Lueder Construction.

Taxes: Advocates for capping local government spending.
School Funding: Supports opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.
Abortion: Supported LB574 which established a 12-week abortion ban in Nebraska.
Gender Issues: Supported LB575 which banned gender mutilation surgeries for minors and prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports.

CINDY MAXWELL-OSTDIEK - INDEPENDENT

Current small business owner. President of Better Ballots Nebraska which advocates for free state IDs for voter registration, protecting voting by mail, implementing ranked choice voting, and open primary elections. Endorsed by the Nebraska Democratic Party.

School Funding: Supported the 435 ballot measure in 2024 that repealed opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.
Abortion: Supported the 439 ballot measure in 2024 that would have created a fundamental right to abortion in the state constitution; Endorsed by Campaign for a Healthy Nebraska, which works to protect abortion access in Nebraska.

District 6

PATRICK LEAHY - DEMOCRAT

CEO of First Star Recycling. Previously worked for former U.S. Senator Ben Nelson. Major in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Economy: Wants to address the state workforce shortage and find better solutions for the large number of young workers leaving Nebraska; Advocates for more affordable childcare options.
Environment: Advocates promoting good practices that help protect finite resources.
School Funding: Wants to keep public dollars going to public schools, not private entities.

NATE OSTDIEK - DEMOCRAT

Master's student at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Taxes: Advocates for public reporting requirements for companies receiving tax incentives in the state.
School Funding: Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.
Abortion: Believes the government should not interfere with a person's choice to have an abortion.

District 8

ERIN FEICHTINGER - DEMOCRAT	
Policy Director for the Women's Fund of Omaha. Former member of the Metropolitan Community College Board of Governors for District 2.	
School Funding: Advocated against opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students. **Abortion:** Believes the government should not interfere with a person's choice to have an abortion.	**Gender Issues:** Advocated against LB575 which prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports and prevented boys from using girls' bathrooms.

JOSHUA M LIVINGSTON - DEMOCRAT	
Family law attorney. Former Deputy County Attorney	
Taxes: Advocates alleviating budget constraints by enacting revenue resources like medical marijuana and gambling. **School Funding:** Advocated against opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.	**Abortion:** Advocated for the 439 ballot measure in 2024 that would have created a fundamental right to abortion in the state constitution. **Gender Issues:** Advocates for the right to same-sex marriage.

District 10

REBECCA RENS – REPUBLICAN	
Former President and Co-Owner of a concrete construction company. Former professor of Business, Dissertation Chair, and Online Program Developer for multiple universities.	
School Funding: Supports opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students. **Abortion:** Pro-life and believes in the inherent value and right to life for the unborn; wants to bring more support	for foster and adoptive families. **Gender Issues:** Advocates for keeping boys out of girls' sports and for keeping boys out of girls' locker rooms and bathrooms.

CINDY JOHNSON - DEMOCRAT	
Member of the Douglas/Sarpy County Learning Community Coordinating Council representing District 1. Owned and operated her own audiology practice. Spent 15 years evaluating and treating the hearing patients at Children's Nebraska Hospital. Teaches Hearing Science to Speech Language Pathology students at UNO.	
Abortion: Supports creating a right to abortion in the Nebraska Constitution; Endorsed by Planned Parenthood Advocates of Nebraska.	**School Funding:** Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.

District 12

MERV RIEPE - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
Elected to the Nebraska Legislature in 2022 (served a previous term from 2014-2018). Former senior administrator at Bergan Mercy Hospital, Children's Hospital, and Lutheran Medical Center. Former member of the Ralston Board of Education.	
Taxes: Supports property tax reform that does not shift the burden to higher sales taxes. **School Funding:** Supports opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students **Abortion:** Refused to vote for LB626 (2023) which	would have prevented abortions in Nebraska if there is a fetal heartbeat.**Gender Issues:** Refused to vote for LB575 (2024) which prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports and prevented boys from using girls' bathrooms; Supported LB 574 (2023) which banned gender mutilation procedures for minors.

CHRISTY KNORR - DEMOCRAT	
Hospice nurse and Community Advocate.	
Ballot Initiatives: Advocates for the implementation of medical cannabis, paid sick leave, and increased minimum wage. **School Funding:** Advocated against opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.	**Abortion:** Advocated for the 439 ballot measure in 2024 that would have created a fundamental right to abortion in the state constitution; endorsed by Planned Parenthood Advocates of Nebraska.

District 18

TAYLOR ROYAL - REPUBLICAN	
Partner at Royal Wealth Partners. Former candidate for Omaha mayor and Nebraska State Treasurer.	
Taxes: Wants to modernize Nebraska's tax code; Advocates for looking internally at state and local operations to raise revenue and reduce spending.	**Abortion:** Believes that the value, dignity, and protection of life begins at conception. **Gender Issues:** Believes that men do not belong in girls' bathrooms or competitive sports.

JESS GOLDONI - DEMOCRAT	
Businesswoman and artificial intelligence strategist. Co-founder of Nebrask.ai.	
Taxes: Advocates for lowering property taxes and funding schools by finding new revenue streams; wants to modernize how Nebraska grows its tax base. **School Funding:** Supports the new state commission to	review school finance. Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students. **Abortion:** Pro-life; Believes that life begins at conception. .

District 20

JOHN FREDRICKSON - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)	
First elected to the State Legislature in 2022. Mental health professional. Teaches social work for students at Columbia University.	
School Funding: Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students. **Abortion:** Voted against LB574 which established a 12-week abortion ban in Nebraska.	**Gender Issues:** Voted against LB574 and LB575 which banned gender mutilation surgeries for minors and prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports.

CHRIS ANDERSON - REPUBLICAN	
Consultant advising aerospace organizations. Air Force veteran.	
Taxes: Believes government should treat revenue from tax collection as an obligation to support those who paid it and deliver a product (schools, basic government services, police, etc.) to them at the best value. **School Funding:** Advocates for school choice; Supports	the new state commission to review school finance. **Abortion:** Pro-life. **Gender Issues:** Advocates for keeping boys out of girls' sports and for keeping boys out of girls' locker rooms and bathrooms.

District 36

RICK HOLDCROFT - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
First elected to the State Legislature in 2022. U.S. Navy Veteran. Former aerospace executive.	
Elections: Introduced legislation to strengthen election integrity by expanding the number of ballots that are hand-counted and setting parameters for the approval of vote tabulating machines. **School Funding:** Supports opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.	**Abortion:** Voted for LB574 which established a 12-week abortion ban in Nebraska. **Gender Issues:** Voted for LB574 and LB575 which banned gender mutilation surgeries for minors and prevented biological boys from competing in girls' sports.

DARIN TOMPKINS - DEMOCRAT	
Leader at a Nebraska animal health vaccine manufacturing plant.	
School Funding: Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students;	wants to prioritize state funding towards supporting our public schools.

☑ PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

District 2

DENNIS MCCANN – REPUBLICAN	
Resident of Omaha. Previously led the Omaha-Douglas County 911 system.	
911 System: Advocates for employing the latest technology to ensure coordination and consolidation when proven to be efficient and cost-effective.	**Property Rights:** Pledges to uphold private property rights and support fair and reasonable compensation arrangements.

WENDY DEBOER - DEMOCRAT	
Former State Senator for District 10. Former professor at several colleges and universities.	
911 System: Introduced and passed requirements for 911 outages to be reported to the Public Service. Commission and investigated more quickly.	**Broadband:** Prevented cuts to broadband programs after identifying an error in the budget and discovering unspent funding could not be repurposed.

☑ UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA BOARD OF REGENTS

District 2

JILL WOLFE - REPUBLICAN	
Former dietitian at St. Luke's Hospital and Columbus Community Hospital. Founded Midwest Medical Transport Company with her husband.	
Curriculum: Wants to defend academic freedom, students' rights, and stop political agendas from taking over the classroom.	**Budget:** Believes spending at the university needs to be approached with a business sense.

ELIZABETH BUTLER - INDEPENDENT	
Member of the Papillion-La Vista School Board. Current City Clerk for Omaha. Member of the Sanitary Improvement District 301 Board of Trustees.Endorsed by the Nebraska Democratic Party.	
Curriculum: Advocates for collaboration with industries to ensure programs and research initiatives align with global trends and workforce demands.	**Budget:** Wants to carefully budget for projects while curbing unnecessary spending. Advocates for pursuing more federal grants, donors, and private partnerships.

District 4

SUSANNE SHORE - DEMOCRAT.	
Wife of Senator Pete Ricketts. Former Dean of Students in Residential Life at the University of South Dakota. Registered nurse	
Curriculum: Wants to align academic programs with real workforce needs; Wants to partner with employers and nonprofits to expand experiential learning and applied research opportunities.	**Budget:** Would prioritize education and research funding.

JUSTIN SOLOMON - DEMOCRAT	
Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Integrated Life Choices. Former UNL Student Regent. Former employee at UNMC. Former campaign manager for Bob Whitehouse, Former Nebraska Board of Regents member for District 4.	
Curriculum: Advocates for a Rapid Response curriculum framework that enables the University to partner with statewide employers to launch certificate programs and specialized training.	**Budget:** Promises to oppose unnecessary tuition hikes and champion frictionless transfer pathways.

☑ METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

AT LARGE

KRISTIN DUPREE – DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)
First elected to the MCC board in 2022. Community Advocate and actuary. Has prioritized ensuring that MCC remains affordable and serves the diverse needs of its student population. Works to identify new partnerships with non-profits and local businesses to provide hands-on learning opportunities.

PAUL ANDERSON – INDEPENDENT
Former candidate for OPS school board (2024), Nebraska Treasurer (2022), Omaha City Council (2021), U.S. House of Representatives (2020), and many other offices. No additional information found.

☑ DOUGLAS COUNTY ATTORNEY

DON KLEINE - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
First elected as County Attorney in 2006. Former Chief of the Criminal Bureau for the Nebraska Attorney General's Office. Former Chief Deputy Douglas County Attorney.	
Alternative Sentencing: Helped pioneer Nebraska's first problem-solving courts.	**Detention:** Worked with state senators to lower the age a juvenile can be charged as an adult to 11.

MAKAYLA DANNER - DEMOCRAT	
City of Omaha prosecutor and adjunct professor at UNO.	
Community Engagement: Wants to hold town halls to promote transparency and explain how the justice system works. **Detention:** Opposed lowering the age juveniles can be charged as an adult to 11, wants to expand diversion programs for non-violent juvenile offenders.	**Prosecution:** Wants to prioritize prosecution of violent offenses while expanding programs aimed at addressing root causes of crime.

☑ DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District 6

TIM DONAHUE - REPUBLICAN	
Current Waterloo Chief of Police since 2008.	
Budget: Believes county government must clearly demonstrate where funds are going while ensuring essential services are properly maintained. **Public Safety:** Wants to find real enforcement solutions for speeding and neighborhood street racing.	**ICE Contract:** Would look into establishing a contract with ICE to temporarily house illegal immigrants in county facilities if it was profitable for the county (right now the county would lose money on the deal).

JOHN MCCANN - DEMOCRAT	
Nurse. Former candidate for County Commissioner in 2022.	
Budget: Believes the "rainy day" fund should only be accessible for specific reasons and not for budget shortfalls. **Public Safety:** Wants to make mental health services accessible for everyone who lives and works in Douglas County.	**ICE Contract:** Would not accept a contract with ICE to temporarily house illegal immigrants in county facilities.

☑ DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

AARON HANSON – REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)	
First elected to the Sheriff's office in 2022. Former Omaha Police Department officer who served as a K9 Unit Handler, Uniform Patrol Sergeant, Gang Unit Sergeant, and Supervisor of the OPD Fugitive Unit and Metro Omaha Fugitive Task Force.	
Community Engagement: Launched the Community Action Team and Special Operations Group to apprehend repeat offenders, combat violent crime, crack down on street racing, and address mental health and homelessness.	**Public Safety:** Reduced overall theft by 26%, reduced assaults by 4.5%, and reduced construction crime by 56%; Added three deputies to the Young Adult, Drug, and Veteran Problem-Solving Courts.

MARK MARTINEZ - DEMOCRAT	
Adjunct Criminal Justice Instructor at UNO. Former Omaha Police Department officer who served as Sergeant supervising a Unit of Officers in the Uniform Patrol Bureau, Lieutenant managing a Unit in the Criminal Investigations Bureau (Narcotics/Gang Units), Captain of the Southeast Precinct, and a Deputy Chief. Former Crime Lab Technician. Former United States Marshal for the District of Nebraska.	
Community Engagement: Wants to expand outreach, transparency, and collaborative programs to build trust; Advocates for investing in prevention, mentorship, and partnership programs that keep young people safe and on track.	**Public Safety:** Advocates for reducing crime by supporting effective investigations, evidence-based enforcement, and smart, coordinated operations; Wants improved training, wellness, and accountability so deputies can serve safely and professionally.

☑ BENNINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

KARA NEUVERTH - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)
Appointed by the Bennington School Board members to fill a vacancy on the board in July 2025. Director of Media Relations at Boys Town. Supported the 2025 bond issue to fund the construction of a second high school.

TIMOTHY L CLARK - REPUBLICAN
Current President of the Bennington Community Foundation. Current president of i3 Bank in Bennington. Supported the 2025 bond issue to fund the construction of a second high school.

TRENT FREDERICKSEN - INDEPENDENT
Assistant Dean of Students at UNO.

CHRIS FAUCHER - INDEPENDENT
Resident of Bennington since 2006. Current IT Analyst for Nebraska Medicine. Wants to link new capital spending directly to an aggressive principal paydown strategy. Advocates for technology upgrades to stream high-quality board meetings and welcomes broader public participation options.

DIANA HETTENBAUGH - INDEPENDENT
13-year Bennington resident. Current Physical Therapist. Member of the Pine Creek Elementary PTO. Campaigned in support of the passage of the 2025 bond issue to provide funding for a new high school. Advocates for fiscally responsible growth, opportunity for every student, and retention of qualified teachers and staff.

☑ DOUGLAS COUNTY WEST SCHOOL BOARD

KELLY HINRICHS - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2018. Current school board president. Founder of Hinrichs Chiropractic.

JAMES J TOMANEK JR. - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. Current school board treasurer. Wants to offer educational and life skills opportunities to students while maintaining the small-town school values. Advocates for safe and secure school facilities for students and staff where all access points are secure.

JENNIFER MAYOTTE - REPUBLICAN

Professional experience in high education, healthcare, and financial leadership. Has taught Tinikling through the elementary gym-music program, served in the school kitchen and supported the PTSA. Advocates for strong, thoughtful curriculum, supporting teachers with resources they need, preparing kids for success beyond graduation, responsible financial planning, and listening to the community.

ALISON JOHNSON - REPUBLICAN

Resident of Valley. Occupational Therapist. Current Secretary of the DC West Parent-Teacher-Student-Association. Serves as a volunteer coach for various youth sports offered through the local YMCA and DC West Youth Sport Organization. Advocates for strategic planning, financial responsibility, and strong community engagement.

JAMES WURTZ – REPUBLICAN

Cattle Production Manager for Imperial Wagyu Beef. 2024 candidate for DC West Board of Education.

☑ ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

MARK WORTMAN - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. Former teacher and football coach. Currently serves on the Elkhorn Public Schools Board Policy Committee, Negotiations Committee, and Common Ground Advisory Committee. Does not plan for dramatic changes to the district policies.

ANGIE OHLRICH - DEMOCRAT

Former teacher and current teacher assistant.

EMILY POESCHL - DEMOCRAT

Leads strategic brand marketing communications at Mutual of Omaha. Current member of the University of Nebraska at Omaha Alumni Association Board. Director of the Delta Gamma Foundation. Current Board Chair of Saving Grace Perishable Food Rescue. Opposes the use of shock gloves in schools. Advocates that the role of school boards is to set strategy, steward taxpayer dollars, and ensure accountability, not to manage daily school operations.

BILL ARMBRUST – DEMOCRAT

Owner of Armbrust Farms. Community Activist. Former 2016 candidate for Nebraska legislature District 39.

☑ GRETNA PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

MARK HAUPTMAN - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. Current Board Treasurer. President of H&H Lawn & Landscape. Member of the Gretna Days Committee and Gretna Chamber of Commerce.

GREG BEACH - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. Senior Vice President - Director of Construction Lending at Core Bank.

BLAKE TURPEN - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. Director of Capital Sales for PROCEPT BioRobotics. Has advocated for being a voice of fiscal responsibility and common-sense conservative values. Has expressed support for requiring students to participate in school sports programs based on their gender at birth.

CHRISTOPHER CONROY - REPUBLICAN

Executive Vice President of Sales at Insurance Agency Marketing Services. Former 2024 candidate for Gretna Public School Board.

☑ MILLARD PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

MIKE KENNEDY - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2003. Attorney and founder of Kennedy Law Firm. President of the Omaha Public Library Board. Supported the Millard Public School Bond Issue in 2025 to fund facility improvements and educational programs. Helped establish the Early College Program at Millard South High School. Supports resource officers and strong safety measures.

LISA SCHOENBERGER - INDEPENDENT

First elected to the school board in 2022. Current Vice President of the school board. Communications Director for OpenSky Policy Institute (worked against Nebraska establishing opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students). Supported the Millard Public School Bond Issue in 2025 to fund facility improvements and educational programs. Wants to leverage programs and community partnerships to scale career academies to help students find gainful employment.

STACY JOLLEY - DEMOCRAT

First elected to the school board in 2018. Current Treasurer of the school board. President of the Nebraska Association of School Boards. Accounting Assistant at Suiter Swantz IP. Supported the Millard Public School Bond Issue in 2025 to fund facility improvements and educational programs.

BRANDON MICHAEL DIEDERICH - REPUBLICAN

No additional information found.

☑ OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

Subdistrict 2

BRI FULL - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)

First elected to the school board in 2022. She has a background as a policy advisor and community advocate/organizer. She advocates for equitable student achievement. Supports the goal to get every student reading on grade level by 2030. Advocates for addressing disproportionate student discipline for students of color and Special Education students. Supported student walkouts protesting ICE.

JAMAR DORSEY, SR. - DEMOCRAT

Current Director of High School Programs for Avenue Scholars Foundation. Board President for 100 Black Men Omaha. Chief Operating Officer for Capture Developmental and Community Services.

Subdistrict 4

SHAVONNA HOLMAN - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)

Current Coordinator of the M.A. Program and Associate Professor of Educational Administration at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. Member of Nebraska's School Financing Review Commission. Former OPS teacher and Vice-Principal. First appointed to the board in 2017. Will continue advocating for fair funding for OPS and opposing efforts that divert resources away from students, educators, and schools that depend on them.

KENNETH L ANDERSON - REPUBLICAN

Former member of the Omaha Public School board from 1991-1994. Former candidate for Douglas County Board in 2024. Currently works in software development and information technology. Supported LB730 (2026) which would have required schools to designate bathrooms and locker rooms based on birth sex.

☑ RALSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

CARRIE HOUGH - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

Current Ralston School Board President. Current Lead Technical Recruiter for Capstone IT. Member of the Ralston Public Schools Foundation.

MARY ROARTY - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)

Current Ralston School Board Vice President. Current Level II Director with Fiserv in their Client Care Organization. Member of the Ralston Public Schools Foundation.

ELIZABETH KUMRU - INDEPENDENT (INCUMBENT)

Current Ralston School Board Secretary. First elected to the Ralston Public School Board in 2019. Retired writer and editor in public relations for the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Owner of Prime Auto.

LOUIS GILMORE - INDEPENDENT

Current Administrative Assistant at Curnes Financial Group. Current Assistant Swim Coach at Gross Catholic High School. Member of the Ralston Public Schools Foundation.

☑ LEARNING COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Subcouncil 1

ROXANNE DOCKTER - INDEPENDENT

Knowledge Management Deputy Project Manager. Promises to advocate for equitable access to programs. Wants to ensure that District 1 voices are represented consistently and thoughtfully. Wants to bring thoughtful leadership rooted in both strategic systems experience and community focus.

JASON BOYD - INDEPENDENT

Dean of Students at Blackburn High School. Retired Omaha Firefighter.
Endorsed by the Douglas County Democratic Party.

Subcouncil 3

CORWIN KELLER - REPUBLICAN

Owner of Ideal Heating and Air Conditioning. Believes that programs must be accessible, effective, coordinated, and accountable to truly serve families. Wants to bring fiscal responsibility, accountability, and a family-focused perspective to the council.

SUZIE FOGARTY - DEMOCRAT

Community Outreach Coordinator for Lutheran Family Services' Smart Gen Society who focuses on facilitating workshops that promote responsible digital citizenship and inclusivity. Holds a Master's degree in Social Justice and Equity in Education. Wants to build relationships with community organizations to support families.

MAGGIE DUFFY - INDEPENDENT

Current substitute teacher. Former Omaha Public School teacher. Small business owner and grassroots community organizer. Member of Women's March, an organization focused on mobilizing the power of feminists. Advocates for increasing student engagement through family engagement and early childhood education that follows proven best practices and align appropriately with a child's developmental age. Participated in the "No Kings" protest in June and has attended events with Democrat candidates.

Subcouncil 5

TONYA WARD - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)
First elected to the council in 2014. President and Founder of Energy Rescue.

SARAH DRAGON - DEMOCRAT
School Counselor for Omaha Public Schools. Opposes opportunity scholarships that help provide school choice for students.

MAYRA PIEDRAHITA - DEMOCRAT
Veteran. Advocates for building trust and partnership with families. Wants to build a community where everyone feels a sense of belonging and shared responsibility.

LINDA VERMOOTEN - REPUBLICAN
Former Department Chair and Professor of the Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health program at Grace University. Former Counselor and small business owner. Former 2024 candidate for the Nebraska Board of Education. Supports programs that help children enter school ready to learn. Advocates for helping parents stay engaged and involved in their children's education. Wants to ensure taxpayer resources are used wisely and transparently.
Current member of Lord of Hosts Church.

☑ METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Subdivision 3

GWEN HOWARD - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)
First elected to the board in 2014. Current board Chairperson. Retired social worker and former Nebraska State Senator for District 9.

ANDREW ADAMS - DEMOCRAT
He is a member of the South Omaha Neighborhood Alliance. He also has professional connections to the Omaha Foster Care Review Board. Former candidate for Omaha City Council and the Regional Metropolitan Transit Board. He wants to expedite the replacement of lead distribution lines in South Omaha. Advocates for the use of federal funding to modernize aging distribution systems and treatment facilities.

☑ OMAHA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Subdivision 1

CHRISTIAN MAPES - REPUBLICAN
Current Director of Power Markets. Former Army Ranger and West Point graduate. Wants to strengthen OPPD's infrastructure and workforce to reduce outages, modernize the grid, and ensure dependable service. Advocates for an all-of-the-above energy portfolio of traditional, renewable, and nuclear power, paired with new technologies.

SARA KOHEN - DEMOCRAT
Former 2021 candidate for Omaha City Council. Supports OPPD's proposed pilot program to allow people to opt in to pay less for electricity if they use more of it during off-peak times. Wants to ensure data centers are paying the full cost of their operation and not being subsidized by ratepayers.

Subdivision 2

MARK GUDGEL - DEMOCRAT

Former Executive Director of the Educators Institute for Human Rights and high school teacher. Former candidate for Omaha Mayor. Current associate professor of education at the College of Saint Mary. Dedicated to advancing clean energy solutions and working toward carbon neutrality. Champions policies and new ideas that will rapidly transition the city to sustainable and renewable energy sources.

JAY IGNOWSKI - DEMOCRAT

Licensed Journeyman Electrician. President of the IBEW 22. Worked with Omaha Public Schools to support their Electrical Pathway Program. Wants to ensure modernization is driven by data and operational necessity, not political trends. Advocates moving to clean energy but wants to pursue renewable sources like wind and solar where they make financial sense without rushing unproven solutions.

☑ PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NRD

Subdistrict 4

TIM MCCORMICK - REPUBLICAN (INCUMBENT)

First joined the Papio NRD Board in 2019. Current Chairperson for the board. Current managing member of McC LLC, a local bridge and piling construction company. Actively advocating in Washington D.C. to speed up permitting processes and fund several community projects for recreation and flood control.

BARB NICHOLS - REPUBLICAN

Former 2000 member of the Papio NRD Former 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018, and 2022 candidate for the Papio NRD. Has advocated in the past for working with developers to provide much needed flood control structures. Has supported cost-share programs available to landowners for erosion and sediment control practices.

Subdistrict 6

JIM THOMPSON - DEMOCRAT (INCUMBENT)

First joined the Papio NRD Board in 2002. Previously served on the board in 1997-1998. Worked in the federal government in contracting and material management for the VA Medical Center in Omaha.

CHRISTIAN GRAY - DEMOCRAT

Current Co-Executive Director at inCOMMON and neighborhood advocate. Wants to prioritize continued investment in accessible recreation.

☑ DOUGLAS COUNTY JUDGES

Judge of the Court of Appeals

MICHAEL W PIRTLE - INDEPENDENT

Appointed in 2011 by Gov. Dave Heineman. Former Chief Judge of the Nebraska Court of Appeals. Former Director of Gross & Welch, PC LLO. 83.3% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Was one of two dissenting votes against allowing three proposals (limiting Lincoln City Council members to two consecutive four-year terms, moving the dates of city elections from odd to even years, and letting residents within a 3-mile area around Lincoln city limits vote in municipal elections) on the November 3rd ballot.

Judge of Nebraska Workers' Compensation

DIRK V BLOCK - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2016 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 100% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Elected presiding judge of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court from 2023 - 2025.

THOMAS E STINE

Appointed in 2011 by Gov. Dave Heineman. 95.8% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Served for 6 years as Civil Litigation Bureau Chief at the Nebraska Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General.

Judge of the District Court – District 4

KATIE L BENSON - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2022 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 83.8% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Deputy County Attorney in the Felony Division of the Douglas County Attorney's Office. Granted an injunction for University of Nebraska Omaha Basketball player Isaac Ondekane, allowing him one more season of eligibility.

DUANE C DOUGHERTY - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2011 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 93.3% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge.

MOLLY B KEANE - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2021 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 91.7% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Deputy County Attorney Team Leader of the Felony Division and Felony Crimes against Children and Sexual Assault Unit Supervisor at the Douglas County Attorney's Office.

MARLON A POLK - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2005 by Gov. Dave Heineman. 63.9% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Founding partner and former private attorney for Polk, Wickman & Washington PC , LLO. In 2020, the Omaha Police Officers Association advocated for his removal for his attempt to try a 17-year-old known gang member and habitual violent offender as a juvenile.

LEANNE M SRB

Appointed in 2021 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 88.9% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Douglas County District Court Referee. Issued a temporary injunction to pause the City of Omaha's 2024 executive order limiting handgun possession on most city property.

Judge of the Separate Juvenile– District 4

MATTHEW R KAHLER - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2017 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 91.9% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Partner at Finley & Kahler Law Firm, PC LLO. Member of the Nebraska Juvenile Court Judge Association and Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Case Processing Subcommittee.

Judge of the County Court – District 4

MARCENA M HENDRIX - DEMOCRAT

Appointed in 1998 by Gov. Ben Nelson. 81.3% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Douglas County Deputy Public Defender. In August of 2026 the Omaha Police Officers Association advocated for her removal for her dismissal of charges against two men accused of kidnapping two children.

JOHN E HUBER - DEMOCRAT

Appointed in 1998 by Gov. Ben Nelson. 84.4% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Douglas County Administrative Specialist and Risk Management/Labor Relations Coordinator.

MARCELA A KEIM - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2011 by Gov. Dave Heineman. 78.5% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Current Presiding Judge of the 4th Judicial District. Former Omaha Assistant City Attorney. Member of the Nebraska Supreme Court Committee on Problem Solving Courts. In 2016, she helped oppose a ban on law enforcement officers wearing firearms while serving as witnesses in trial.

SHERYL L LOHAUS - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2011 by Gov. Dave Heineman. 81.3% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Presiding Judge of the 4th Judicial District County Court. Former Director at Gross & Welch PC LLO.

CRAIG Q MCDERMOTT - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2005 by Gov. Dave Heineman. 93.9% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Presiding Judge of the County Court 4th Judicial District. Former private practice attorney. Former volunteer for Volunteers Intervening for Equity (VIE).

STEPHANIE S SHEARER - REPUBLICAN

Appointed in 2017 by Gov. Pete Ricketts. 95.7% of Nebraska attorneys polled recommend retaining this judge. Former Associate at Reagan, Melton & Delaney, LLP.

☑ BALLOT MEASURES

Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 1 - Legislature Term Limits

A constitutional amendment to change the limit on legislative terms from two consecutive terms to three consecutive terms.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the state constitution to increase the term limit for state senators from two consecutive four-year terms (eight years) to three consecutive four-year terms (12 years).*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution, so the current limit of two consecutive four-year terms will remain in effect. State legislators will continue to be ineligible for office in the Legislature for four years after serving two consecutive terms.*

NOTE: Currently, Nebraska state senators can only serve for two terms (8 years) before they are required to sit out for one term (4 years). After they have sat out one term (4 years), they are eligible to run again. If this amendment is passed, Nebraska state senators would be able to serve for three terms (12 years) before being required to sit out for one term (4 years). After they have sat out one term (4 years), they are eligible to run again.

Initiative Measure 440 - Internet Sports Wagering

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to authorize the enactment of laws allowing persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to authorize the enactment of laws to allow persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means the Nebraska Constitution will not be amended in this manner.*

NOTE: A vote AGAINST would keep online sports betting illegal and prevent the expansion of gambling in Nebraska. Supporters of sports betting promise to use the revenue generated from legalizing online sports betting to go toward property tax relief. However, the supporters of casino gambling, which became legal in Nebraska in 2020, also promised property tax relief from its revenue, but that has yet to be seen. A vote FOR would allow for the expansion of gambling in Nebraska through Internet-based platforms.

Initiative Measure 441 - Sports Wagering Statutes

Shall statutes be enacted that: (1) Allow persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska or the operator's platform provider; and (2) Regulate such sports wagers?

*A vote "**FOR**" will enact statutes allowing persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska or the operator's platform provider, and regulating such sports wagers.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means no such statutes will be enacted.*

NOTE: A vote **AGAINST** would keep online sports betting illegal and prevent the expansion of gambling in Nebraska. Supporters of sports betting promise to use the revenue generated from legalizing online sports betting to go toward property tax relief. However, the supporters of casino gambling, which became legal in Nebraska in 2020, also promised property tax relief from its revenue, but that has yet to be seen. A vote **FOR** would allow for the expansion of gambling in Nebraska through Internet-based platforms.

Initiative Measure 442 - Fairness for Girls

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to provide: (1) Schools must expressly designate each athletic team or sport as one of the following based on biological sex: (a) Males, men, or boys; (b) females, women, or girls; or (c) coed or mixed; and (2) Athletic teams or sports designated for females, women, or girls shall not be open to students of the male sex? The amendment would apply to all athletic teams or sports sponsored by public schools or postsecondary educational institutions, and private schools or educational institutions whose athletic teams or sports compete against public schools or institutions.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to provide (1) Schools must expressly designate each athletic team or sport as one of the following based on biological sex: (a) Males, men, or boys; (b) females, women, or girls; or (c) coed or mixed; and (2) Athletic teams or sports designated for females, women, or girls shall not be open to students of the male sex. The amendment would apply to all athletic teams or sports sponsored by public schools or postsecondary educational institutions, and private schools or educational institutions whose athletic teams or sports compete against public schools or institutions.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means the Nebraska Constitution will not be amended in this manner.*

NOTE: A vote **FOR** creates constitutional protections for sex-separated athletics in Nebraska elementary schools, high schools, and colleges. This would prevent biological boys from competing in girls' sports.

Special City of Omaha Election $155,000,000 Public Facilities Bonds

Shall the City of Omaha be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds in the amount of one hundred fifty-five million and no/100 dollars ($155,000,000) plus interest payable on said bonds to be paid from the fund for principal and interest payments on the indebtedness of the City of Omaha as proposed in the notice of election which also provides that the approval of this bond issue will not incur any increases in the debt services tax levy rate of the City of Omaha over the levy increase approved in 2020?

*A vote **YES** would allow the City of Omaha to issue up to $155 million in bonds to pay for the construction of a new joint Police and Fire Headquarters in the Crossroads development. (This new headquarters would not serve as a Police precinct or Fire station).*
*A vote **NO** would prevent the City of Omaha from using bonds to pay for the construction of a new Police and Fire Headquarters in the Crossroads development.*

Special City of Omaha Election $30,000,000 Park & Recreation Bonds

Shall the City of Omaha be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds in the amount of thirty million and no/100 dollars ($30,000,000) plus interest payable on said bonds to be paid from the fund for principal and interest payments on the indebtedness of the City of Omaha as proposed in the notice of election which also provides that the approval of this bond issue will not incur any increases in the debt services tax levy rate of the City of Omaha over the levy increase approved in 2020?

*A vote **YES** would allow the City of Omaha to issue up to $30 million in bonds to pay for the completion of the Tranquility Park redevelopment at 120th Street and West Maple Road (the redevelopment would include 16 synthetic-turf fields. 12 of these fields are already under construction).*
*A vote **NO** would prevent the City of Omaha from using bonds to pay for the completion of the Tranquility Park redevelopment.*

Special City of Valley Election Proposition For Sales And Use Tax Allocation

Shall the City Council of the City of Valley, Nebraska, be authorized to allocate up to fifty percent (50%) of the revenue the City collects from its one and one-half percent (1.5%) local sales and use tax, on and after January 1, 2027, for the purpose of planning, designing, constructing, equipping, financing, and maintaining a new municipal swimming pool and related aquatic facilities?

*A vote "**YES**" would allow the City of Valley to use up to 50% of City sales tax revenue to pay for the construction of a new city swimming pool and aquatic facility while maintaining the City's current plan to replace all critical water mains in 4 years.*
*A vote "**NO**" would require the City of Valley to continue using all of the City sales tax on water improvement and wastewater improvement projects.*