


Sample Ballot, General Election, November 5, 2024

Otoe County, Nebraska	State of Nebraska	Publication Ballot
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<p style="text-align: center;">PRESIDENTIAL TICKET</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For President and Vice President of the United States Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donald J. Trump President } Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> JD Vance Vice President</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kamala D. Harris President } Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tim Walz Vice President</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chase Oliver President } Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mike ter Maat Vice President</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Cornel West President } Legal Marijuana NOW</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Melina Abdullah Vice President</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jill Stein President } By Petition</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Samson Kpadenou Vice President</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____ President</p> <p>_____ Vice President</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">STATE TICKET</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For Public Service Commissioner District 01 - Six Year Term Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dan Watermeier Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Southeast Community College For Board of Governors - District 02 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kathy Boellstorff</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">UNITED STATES SENATORIAL TICKET</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For United States Senator Six Year Term Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Deb Fischer Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dan Osborn By Petition</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COUNTY TICKET</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For County Commissioner District 04 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> James M. Parsons Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Southeast Community College For Board of Governors - At Large Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Neal Stenberg</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">For United States Senator Two Year Term Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Pete Ricketts Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Preston Love Jr. Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">For County Commissioner District 05 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Danny E. Crownover Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Craig V. Bolz Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lower Platte South Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 02 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Alexander Dierks</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Seth Hawkins</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">For Member of the State Board of Education District 02 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Maggie Douglas</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Linda Vermooten</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NONPARTISAN TICKET</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For Member of the Legislature District 01 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dennis Schaardt</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert Hallstrom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 02 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> D. Todd Boellstorff</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">For University of Nebraska Board of Regents District 05 - Six Year Term Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rob Schafer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gary L. Rogge</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 03 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Orval Gigstad</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 04 Two Year Term Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Patricia Coates</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 04 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dan Hodges</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 05 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Randall Fox</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nemaha Natural Resources District For Board of Directors - Subdistrict 04 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dan Hodges</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>

NONPARTISAN TICKET	SCHOOL TICKET	SCHOOL TICKET
<p>Educational Service Unit No. 4 District 06 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Cheri Wirthele</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Elmwood-Murdock Public Schools District 97 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeff Backemeyer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dick Romshek</p>	<p>For Norris Public School District 160 - Ward 3 School Board Member Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michelle Malcom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jim Devine</p>
<p>Educational Service Unit No. 4 District 08 Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gary Schaffer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Ellie M. Sampson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tami Graham</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Norris Public School District 160- Ward 5 School Board Member Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gary Kubicek</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>SCHOOL TICKET</p>		
<p>For Nebraska City Public Schools - District 111 School Board Member Vote for up to FIVE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lisa Chaney</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jim Nemecek</p> <p><input type="radio"/> John Hodges</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sally Schreiner</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Johnson County Central Public Schools District 50 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jon Schmid</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Scott D. Straka</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sarah Weber</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Daniel L. Jones</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Freeman Public Schools- District 34 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Chad Harms</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Eldon L. Ideus</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tiffany Buhr</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Alan John Wiese</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>Syracuse-Dunbar-Avoca Schools - District 27 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brianne Neemann Wilhelm</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tyler Kreifels</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Amy Wemhoff</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kathryn Szczepaniak</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Aaron Lessmann</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Sterling Public Schools - District 33 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Julie A. Saathoff</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Russell A. Trauernicht</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Johnson-Brock Public Schools - District 23 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brian Meyer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Blayne Behrends</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Phalisady Bowhay</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bryan Wakulinski</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>For Conestoga Public Schools - District 56 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Candace Kelley</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Allison Welch</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeremy Stone</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Waverly Public Schools District 145 - Ward 2 School Board Member Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Larry Adams</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Palmyra Public Schools - District OR1 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tim Cheney</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brandon Desh</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jaimi L. Calfee</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jim Tate</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Vicki K. Hillman</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>For Conestoga Public Schools - District 56 School Board Member Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rhonda L. Burbach</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brooks Ballard</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Norris Public School District 160 - Ward 1 School Board Member Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rhonda L. Burbach</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brooks Ballard</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>

CITY TICKET	VILLAGE TICKET	VILLAGE TICKET
<p>For Mayor City of Nebraska City Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bryan Bequette</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Timothy Morgan</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Dunbar Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lorna Anderson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mike H. Doty</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Scott Richardson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Terry G. Weible</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Unadilla Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dale A. Stoner</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Scott Hincker</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jason Schomerus</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>For Parks and Recreation Commissioner City of Nebraska City Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Patrick Wehling</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Lorton Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Judy Neemann</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeri Rowen</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>RURAL FIRE DISTRICT TICKET</p> <p>Unadilla Rural Fire Protection District Budget and Levy Override</p> <p>Shall the Unadilla Rural Fire Protection District be allowed to levy a property tax not to exceed 1.4561 cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation in excess of the limits prescribed by law, beginning with the 2025-2026 fiscal year and lasting through and including the 2029-2030 fiscal year for the purposes of general operations and capital asset purchases and to increase the budgeted restricted funds by \$10,000.00, representing a 50% increase to the allowable growth percentage?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>For Public Works Commissioner City of Nebraska City Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ronald A. Osovski</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Otoe Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Wyatt W. Hutchison</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Lori McElhenie</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ralph Edwards</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION</p> <p>Initiative Measure 434</p> <p><i>A vote "FOR" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to provide that, except when a woman seeks an abortion necessitated by a medical emergency or when the pregnancy results from sexual assault or incest, unborn children shall be protected from abortion in the second and third trimesters.</i></p> <p><i>A vote "AGAINST" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution in such manner.</i></p> <p>Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to include a new section which provides: "Except when a woman seeks an abortion necessitated by a medical emergency or when the pregnancy results from sexual assault or incest, unborn children shall be protected from abortion in the second and third trimesters."</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against</p>
<p>For Nebraska City Airport Authority Six Year Term Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Palmyra Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>REFERENDUM ORDERED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE</p> <p>Referendum Measure 435</p> <p><i>A vote to "RETAIN" will keep in effect Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402 enacted in 2024 by the Nebraska Legislature. Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402 provides for \$10 million annually to fund education scholarships to pay all or part of the cost to educate eligible students attending nongovernmental, privately operated elementary and secondary schools in Nebraska.</i></p> <p><i>A vote to "REPEAL" will eliminate the funding and scholarship provisions in Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402.</i></p> <p>Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402, enacted by the Nebraska Legislature in 2024, provides for \$10 million annually to fund education scholarships to pay all or part of the cost to educate eligible students attending nongovernmental, privately operated elementary and secondary schools in Nebraska.</p> <p>Shall Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402 be repealed?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Retain</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Repeal</p>
<p>For Mayor City of Syracuse Vote for ONE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Deborah Dettmer</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>For Talmage Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeffrey Bestwick</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Joyce Kinnison</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	
<p>For Member of City Council City of Syracuse Vote for up to TWO</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Wesley Halvorsen</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert Johnson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>Village of Talmage - To Impose a Sales and Use Tax</p> <p>"Shall the governing body of the Village of Talmage, Nebraska impose a sales and use tax of 1% upon the same transactions within the Village on which the State of Nebraska is authorized to impose a tax pursuant to the Nebraska Local Option Revenue Act, as amended, which tax shall continue in perpetuity, unless repealed by the Chairperson and the Board of Trustees or by the voters of the Village of Talmage, the proceeds of which sales and use tax shall be used for any lawful municipal purposes which may include, but not be limited to, the financing of capital improvement projects, which capital improvement projects may include the cost of rebuilding and upgrading the infrastructure within the Village.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR said sales tax</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST said sales tax</p> <p>Electors desiring to vote in favor of the question shall blacken the oval opposite the words "FOR said sales tax" and electors desiring to vote against the question shall blacken the oval opposite the words "AGAINST said sales tax."</p>	
<p>VILLAGE TICKET</p> <p>For Burr Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gretchen E. Cooper</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donald L. Schmit</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Greg Sell</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>		
<p>For Douglas Village Board of Trustees Vote for up to THREE</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bernard Masek</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Joe Moller</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>		

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<p align="center">Initiative Measure 436</p> <p>A vote "<u>FOR</u>" will enact a statute which: (1) provides eligible employees the right to earn paid sick time for personal or family health needs; (2) entitles employees of employers with fewer than 20 employees to accrue and use up to 40 hours of such time annually and those employed by employers with 20 or more employees to accrue and use up to 56 hours of such time annually; (3) specifies conditions regarding paid sick time; (4) prohibits retaliation against employees for exercising such rights; (5) adopts documentation requirements; and (6) establishes enforcement powers and a civil cause of action for violations.</p> <p>A vote "<u>AGAINST</u>" means such a statute will not be enacted.</p> <p>Shall a statute be enacted which: (1) provides eligible employees the right to earn paid sick time for personal or family health needs; (2) entitles employees of employers with fewer than 20 employees to accrue and use up to 40 hours of such time annually and those employed by employers with 20 or more employees to accrue and use up to 56 hours of such time annually; (3) specifies conditions regarding paid sick time; (4) prohibits retaliation against employees for exercising such rights; (5) adopts documentation requirements; and (6) establishes enforcement powers and a civil cause of action for violations?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against</p>	<p align="center">Initiative Measure 439</p> <p>A vote "<u>FOR</u>" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to provide that all persons shall have a fundamental right to abortion until fetal viability, or when needed to protect the life or health of the pregnant patient, without interference from the state or its political subdivisions. Fetal viability is defined as the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the patient's treating health care practitioner, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus' sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures.</p> <p>A vote "<u>AGAINST</u>" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution in such manner.</p> <p>Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to include a new section which provides: "All persons shall have a fundamental right to abortion until fetal viability, or when needed to protect the life or health of the pregnant patient, without interference from the state or its political subdivisions. Fetal viability means the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the patient's treating health care practitioner, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus' sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures."</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against</p>
<p align="center">Initiative Measure 437</p> <p>A vote "<u>FOR</u>" will enact a statute that makes penalties inapplicable under state and local law for the use, possession, and acquisition of an allowable amount (up to five ounces) of cannabis for medical purposes by a qualified patient with a written recommendation from a health care practitioner, and for a caregiver to assist a qualified patient with these activities.</p> <p>A vote "<u>AGAINST</u>" means such a statute will not be enacted.</p> <p>Shall a statute be enacted that makes penalties inapplicable under state and local law for the use, possession, and acquisition of an allowable amount (up to five ounces) of cannabis for medical purposes by a qualified patient with a written recommendation from a health care practitioner, and for a caregiver to assist a qualified patient with these activities?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against</p>	
<p align="center">Initiative Measure 438</p> <p>A vote "<u>FOR</u>" will enact a statute that makes penalties inapplicable under state law for the possession, manufacture, distribution, delivery, and dispensing of cannabis for medical purposes by registered private entities, and that establishes a Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission to regulate such activities.</p> <p>A vote "<u>AGAINST</u>" means such a statute will not be enacted.</p> <p>Shall a statute be enacted that makes penalties inapplicable under state law for the possession, manufacture, distribution, delivery, and dispensing of cannabis for medical purposes by registered private entities, and that establishes a Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission to regulate such activities?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> For</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Against</p>	

New or Former Resident, Sample Ballot, General Election, November 5, 2024

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PRESIDENTIAL TICKET

**For President and Vice President
of the United States
Vote for ONE**

- Donald J. Trump
President } Republican
 JD Vance
 Vice President

- Kamala D. Harris
President } Democratic
 Tim Walz
 Vice President

- Chase Oliver
President } Libertarian
 Mike ter Maat
 Vice President

- Cornel West
President } Legal
 Melina Abdullah } Marijuana
 Vice President } NOW

- Jill Stein
President } By Petition
 Samson Kpadenou
 Vice President

President

Vice President

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