

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

**SCHOOL BOND ELECTION
GAGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0034
(FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025

Public notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Gage County School District 0034 (Freeman Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska (the "District") that at a special election to be held in said District on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

"Shall Gage County School District 0034 (Freeman Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska issue its bonds in a total principal amount not to exceed \$26,910,000 for the purposes of financing the costs of (i) certain renovations to the District's existing school building, including renovations to the kitchen, West entrance, commons, and certain classrooms, (ii) constructing one or more additions to the District's existing school building and related site improvements, including a career and technical education addition, and a classroom and preschool addition, and (iii) purchasing certain necessary equipment, furniture and apparatus for such renovations, buildings and additions; said bonds to be issued from time to time, to be sold at such prices, to bear interest at such rates, to become due at such times, and to have such other terms and provisions, all as may be fixed and determined by the Board of Education of the District; and

"Shall the District cause to be levied and collected annually a special levy of taxes against all the taxable property in the District sufficient in rate and amount to pay the principal of, the premium, if any, and the interest on said bonds as the same become due?"



FOR

said bonds and tax



AGAINST

said bonds and tax

Qualified electors voting in favor of said proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "FOR said bonds and tax" following said proposition, and qualified electors voting against said proposition shall blacken the oval opposite the words "AGAINST said bonds and tax" following said proposition.

By Mail Election

This election will be an election by mail. Each registered voter residing within the District will receive a ballot by mail at his/her address as it appears on the voter registration register; and therefore no polling places will be open for voting. Ballots will be mailed by the Election Commissioner of Gage County, the County Clerk of Johnson County, the Election Commissioner of Lancaster County and the County Clerk of Otoe County on or about February 17, 2025 and before February 28, 2025. Registered voters wishing to vote in the Special Election who will be absent from their residence between February 7, 2025 and March 11, 2025 may contact their County Clerk or Election Commissioner's Office.

Voter Registration Deadlines

1. February 21, 2025 is the last day for mail-in registrations, registrar registrations, delivered registrations and agency registrations.
2. February 28, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. is the last day for in-person voter registration in the offices of the Election Commissioner of Gage County, the Johnson County Clerk, the Lancaster County Election Commissioner and the Otoe County Clerk, as applicable.

Any voter who changes information on a current registration or registers to vote after the ballots have been mailed but before the in-person registration deadline of February 28, 2025 by 6:00 p.m., will be given a ballot at the time of registration or change.

Ballot Return Deadline

For registered voters residing in Gage County

Voted ballots that are sealed in the “Return Identification Envelope” may be returned by one of the following means:

1. U.S. Mail: Place First Class Letter postage on the return envelope and mail the ballot to the Gage County Election Commissioner listed on the envelope; or
2. Hand Delivery: Deliver the ballot to the Gage County Election Commissioner’s Office at the address listed on the ballot envelope; or
3. Ballot Box: Place the ballot in the designated flag wrapped box located Southeast of the Courthouse on 7th Street, next to the U.S. Post Office boxes.

For registered voters residing in Johnson County

Voted ballots that are sealed in the “Return Identification Envelope” may be returned by one of the following means:

1. U.S. Mail: Place First Class Letter postage on the return envelope and mail the ballot to the Johnson County Clerk listed on the envelope; or
2. Hand Delivery: Deliver the ballot to the Johnson County Clerk’s Office at the address listed on the ballot envelope; or
3. Ballot Box: Place the ballot in the designated drop box located on the north side of the Courthouse.

For registered voters residing in Lancaster County

Voted ballots that are sealed in the “Return Identification Envelope” may be returned by one of the following means:

1. U.S. Mail: Place First Class Letter postage on the return envelope and mail the ballot to the Lancaster County Election Commissioner listed on the envelope; or
2. Hand Delivery: Deliver the ballot to the Lancaster Election Commissioner’s Office at the address listed on the ballot envelope; or
3. Ballot Box: Place it in one of the designated drop boxes listed on the instructions included with each ballot.

For registered voters residing in Otoe County

Voted ballots that are sealed in the “Return Identification Envelope” may be returned by one of the following means:

1. U.S. Mail: Place First Class Letter postage on the return envelope and mail the ballot to the Otoe County Clerk listed on the envelope; or
2. Hand Delivery: Deliver the ballot to the Otoe County Clerk's Office at the address listed on the ballot envelope; or
3. Ballot Box: Place the ballot in the designated drop box at 1021 Central Avenue, located on the east side of the Courthouse near the service drive.

NOTE: All ballots must be in the possession of the Election Commissioner of Gage County, the County Clerk of Johnson County, the Election Commissioner of Lancaster County and the County Clerk of Otoe County, as applicable, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Election Day, March 11, 2025.

Gage County Election Commissioner Information

Mailing Address: Gage County Election Commissioner, 612 Grant Street, PO Box 429,
Beatrice, NE 68310
Phone: 402-223-1300, option #4
E-Mail: dhill@gagecountyne.gov
Regular Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Johnson County Clerk Information

Mailing Address: Johnson County Clerk, 351 Broadway Street, PO Box 416,
Tecumseh, NE 68450
Phone: 402-335-6300
E-Mail: clerk@johnsoncounty.ne.gov
Regular Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Lancaster County Election Commissioner Information

Mailing Address: Lancaster County Election Commissioner, 601 N. 46th Street,
Lincoln, NE 68503
Phone: 402-441-7311
E-Mail: twiltgen@lancaster.ne.gov
Regular Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Otoe County Clerk Information

Mailing Address: Otoe County Clerk, 1021 Central Avenue, Room 103,
Nebraska City, NE 68410
Phone: 402-873-9505
E-Mail: jbassinger@otoecountyne.gov
Regular Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF GAGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
0034 (FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

PUBLISH - 4 Times (February 13, 20 and 27 and March 6, 2025).

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

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