

2026 Primary Election Candidates' filing deadline for incumbents is February 17, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Filing deadline for non-incumbents is March 2, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Some races will not appear on the primary election ballots as the number of candidates filing for office did not exceed twice the number of vacancies. Names of automatically nominated candidates will appear on the general election ballot as provided. The following is a list of candidates and races for Knox County. Please note that NOT all candidates or races will appear on your specific ballot. **THE PRIMARY ELECTION DATE IS MAY 12, 2026.**

UPDATED: February 11, 2026 at 430 P.M.

**COUNTY OFFICIALS**

Candidate	Party (if applicable)	Incumbency Status	Date Filed	Phone
<b>COUNTY ASSESSOR - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Christa M Beckmann	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-394-8614
<b>COUNTY ATTORNEY - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
<b>COUNTY CLERK - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Joann M. Fischer	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-640-9979
<b>CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Matthew R. Fischer	Democratic	Incumbent	1/26/2026	402-640-9493
<b>COUNTY SHERIFF - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Mark A Krepel	Democratic	Nonincumbent	1/12/2026	402-841-4724
Don Henery	Republican	Incumbent	1/15/2026	402-358-0912
Mark Duncan	Republican	Nonincumbent	1/27/2026	402-394-1899
<b>COUNTY SURVEYOR - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Michael Skroch	Republican	Incumbent	1/21/2026	402-373-4647
<b>COUNTY TREASURER - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Lori G Ebel	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-841-3863
<b>COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 1 - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Marty O'Connor	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	605-661-7913
<b>COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3 - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Lance Rudloff	Republican	Nonincumbent	1/20/2026	402-841-5889
David Pierce	Republican	Incumbent	1/21/2026	402-655-2240
<b>COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5 - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Kevin D Mackeprang	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-841-4633
<b>COUNTY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 7 - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Jim Borgmann	Republican	Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-360-3441
Daniel Henery	Republican	Nonincumbent	1/12/2026	402-860-1578
<b>SCHOOL BOARDS</b>				
<b>BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
<b>CREIGHTON PUBLIC SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Dixie L Hanefeldt		Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-640-0028
Josh Key		Incumbent	1/21/2026	757-374-5513
Amy Borgmann		Incumbent	2/3/2026	402-358-0044
<b>CROFTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Jayne Arens		Incumbent	2/6/2026	402-358-0040
Amy Hoffman		Incumbent	2/6/2026	402-640-8613
<b>ISANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Waylon LaPlante		Incumbent	1/12/2026	402-860-1308
Susan Pike		Incumbent	2/6/2026	402-340-6365
<b>NIOBRARA PUBLIC SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Kristine Flyinghawk		Incumbent	2/6/2026	605-760-5283
Susan Bolling		Incumbent	2/10/2026	402-640-0758
Matt Moody		Incumbent	2/10/2026	402-640-5433

### SCHOOL BOARDS - CONTINUED

Candidate	Party (if applicable)	Incumbency Status	Date Filed	Phone
<b>VERDIGRE PUBLIC SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Robyn Frank		Incumbent	2/4/2026	402-841-5083
Ellison L Fuchtman		Incumbent	2/11/2026	402-358-0555
<b>WAUSA PUBLIC SCHOOL - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Michael Kumm		Incumbent	1/28/2026	402-640-7528
Katie Clausen		Incumbent	2/9/2026	402-586-2167

### CITY OFFICIALS

Candidate	Party (if applicable)	Incumbency Status	Date Filed	Phone
<b>BLOOMFIELD CITY MAYOR - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
<b>BLOOMFIELD CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AT LARGE - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				
Leslie R Jessen		Incumbent	2/6/2026	402-360-0179
<b>BLOOMFIELD CITY AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 6 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Cindy S Barney		Incumbent	1/22/2026	402-640-8361
<b>CREIGHTON CITY MAYOR - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Steven W Morrill		Incumbent	1/9/2026	402-358-3323
<b>CREIGHTON CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AT LARGE - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				
Mark Ripp		Incumbent	1/26/2026	402-360-1087
<b>CREIGHTON CITY AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 6 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
<b>CROFTON CITY MAYOR - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE</b>				
Randy Ausdemore		Incumbent	2/3/2026	402-640-8527
<b>CROFTON CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AT LARGE - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				

### SPECIAL ISSUES

Hill Township Levy Special Election	1/20/2026
Verdigre Township Levy Special Election	2/3/2026

2026 General Election Candidates' filing deadline for incumbents is July 15, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Filing deadline for non-incumbents is August 3, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. The following is a list of candidates and races for Knox County. Please note that NOT all candidates or races will appear on your specific ballot. **THE GENERAL ELECTION DATE IS NOVEMBER 3, 2026.**

### VILLAGES - (GENERAL ELECTION ONLY)

Candidate	Party (if applicable)	Incumbency Status	Date Filed	Phone
<b>BAZILE MILLS BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Connie Mock		Incumbent	2/9/2026	402-358-3369
<b>CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Laura J. Hintz		Incumbent	2/3/2026	402-288-4495
<b>NIOWARA BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				
<b>SANTEE BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				
<b>VERDEL BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
<b>VERDIGRE BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO TWO</b>				
<b>WAUSA BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
<b>WINNETOON BOARD OF TRUSTEES - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				

TOWNSHIPS (GENERAL ELECTION ONLY)				
Candidate	Party (if applicable)	Incumbency Status	Date Filed	Phone
ADDISON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
BOHEMIA TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
CENTRAL TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
CLEVELAND TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Dale Kuhlman		Incumbent	2/3/2026	402-358-5483
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Michael Kumm		Incumbent	1/28/2026	402-640-7528
CREIGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Mark Wilmes		Incumbent	1/30/2026	402-847-3395
DOLPHIN TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
DOWLING TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
EASTERN TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Mark N Keck		Incumbent	1/8/2026	402-841-1205
HARRISON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Scott Eisenhauer		Incumbent	1/21/2026	402-640-3949
HERRICK TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
HILL TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Jeffrey M. Barger		Incumbent	1/20/2026	402-640-4741
Gary Eckmann		Incumbent	2/11/2026	402-841-0091
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
LINCOLN TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
LOGAN TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
MILLER TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
MORTON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Lester Ketelsen		Incumbent	1/30/2026	402-358-0100
Curtis J Mackeprang		Incumbent	1/30/2026	402-358-0463
NIOBRARA TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
NORTH FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Peter L. Bramschreiber Jr.		Incumbent	2/3/2026	605-201-6488
PEORIA TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
Alexzander Jessen		Nonincumbent	1/13/2026	531-229-7247
Tony Kauth		Incumbent	1/13/2026	402-841-8054
Neil A. Guenther		Incumbent	1/23/2026	402-841-0318
RAYMOND TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				
SPADE TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE				

**TOWNSHIPS - Continued (GENERAL ELECTION ONLY)**

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<b>SPARTA TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
<b>UNION TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Dustin Crosley		Nonincumbent	1/28/2026	605-760-4510
<b>VALLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
Dixie Hanefeldt		Incumbent	1/5/2026	402-640-0028
<b>VERDIGRE TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				
<b>WALNUT GROVE TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE</b>				

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE****WESTERN TOWNSHIP BOARD - 4 YEAR TERM - VOTE FOR UP TO THREE**

Willard Ruzicka	Incumbent	1/23/2026	402-394-8019
Walter L. Boham	Incumbent	1/28/2026	402-668-7319
James F. Vesely	Incumbent	2/2/2026	402-668-7394

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