

Nebraska candidate filing deadlines approaching

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Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale has issued a reminder that candidate filing deadlines are fast approaching for the May 15 Nebraska primary election. The deadline for incumbents is Feb. 15, and the deadline for non-incumbents is March 1.

An incumbent is anyone who holds elective office, including a person who holds one office and wants to file for another office.

In Chase County, filings are beginning to trickle in. Three people filed seeking re-election to four offices this past week at the Chase County Clerk's Office, according to County Clerk/Election Commissioner Debbie Clark. Bill Bauerle of Imperial, who serves on both the Chase County Hospital District Board and the Imperial Airport Authority, filed seeking re-election to both positions. Two school board members at Chase County Schools in Imperial have filed for additional terms. Karl Meeske and Thomas Gaschler are two incumbents who are seeking re-election.

Thomas Schroeder of Perkins County is the only person to file seeking election to the Upper Republican NRD board. None of the four area NRD board members whose terms are up have filed, including Mick Strand of rural Wauneta. Candidates interested in the NRD board positions must file with the Secretary of State's Office, but they can pick up the filing forms at the county clerk's office in Imperial.

At the county level, the District 1 Chase County Commissioner seat held by Chuck Vette of Wauneta is up for election. As of Tuesday Vette had not filed for re-election.

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In Wauneta, there are three positions up for election on the Wauneta-Palisade School Board including those held by Jon Anderjaska, Stuart Bartels and John Jutten. The Wauneta Village Board seats of Lynn Brunkhorst and Lloyd Sinner are up for election. Filing deadlines for Village Board hit later this summer.

Nebraska Democrats will hold a presidential caucus in April, while Nebraska Republicans will vote for their preferred candidate in the May 15 primary.