

Centura School Board Special Meeting  
Wednesday, February 25, 2026 6:00 PM  
Centura Public Schools: District Board Room  
201 N. Hwy 11  
Cairo, NE 68824

## **Agenda**

1. Opening The Meeting:
  - 1.1. Call to order: The Special Meeting of the Centura Public Schools' Board of Education is called to order on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room 201 Highway 11, Cairo, NE 68824.
  - 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Recognition of Nebraska Open Meetings Act.
  - 1.3. Roll Call of Board Members:
    - 1.3.1. Motion to excuse or not excuse Board Members not in attendance.
  - 1.4. Centura Vision Statement: A Community About Students, Excellence and Innovation!
  - 1.5. Centura Mission Statement: Centura and its collaborative partners are an innovative community empowering all students to be successful today and in the future.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Recognition of visitors and public comment per Centura Public Schools Policy No. 2009.
4. Special Meeting Discussion/Information Items:
  - 4.1. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to adopt a resolution calling a bond election to be held on May 12, 2026, to authorize general obligation bonds for improvements to the existing facility in a stated principal amount not to exceed \$18,950,000, proposed resolution is included with the agenda materials.
5. Meeting Adjournment.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF  
NOTICE OF MEETING**

The undersigned Members of the Board of Education of Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska, hereby acknowledge receipt of advance notice of a meeting of the Board of Education of said District and the agenda for such meeting held at \_\_: \_\_ P.M., on February 25, 2026 at \_\_\_\_\_, in Cairo, Nebraska.

DATED February 25, 2026

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I hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_ was absent from the meeting but that, to my personal knowledge, such member(s) received advance notice of the meeting and agenda.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

A meeting of the Board of Education (the “Board”) of Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska (the “District”), was convened in open and public session at \_\_:\_\_, P.M. on February 25, 2026, at \_\_\_\_\_, in Cairo, Nebraska. Present were: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. Absent were: \_\_\_\_\_.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by (posting) (publication), one of the District’s designated methods for giving notice, a copy of the (certificate of posting) (proof of publication) being attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board and a copy of their Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the members of this meeting. The President publicly stated at the beginning of the meeting to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. All proceedings of the Board were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Member \_\_\_\_\_ offered the following resolution and moved its passage and adoption:

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (THE “BOARD”) OF HOWARD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0100 (CENTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS), IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA (THE “DISTRICT”) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board hereby finds and determines that the District is fully organized as a Class II School District under Chapter 79, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 2014, as amended, embracing territory having a population of one thousand five hundred or more but fewer than five thousand inhabitants and maintaining both elementary and high school grades under the direction of a single board of education.

Section 2. The Board further finds and determines that it is necessary that funds be provided for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing additions and renovations and other site improvements to the existing district buildings; safety and security updates for such buildings, including mechanical, fire safety, heating and air conditioning, electrical, and plumbing upgrades; creating instructional spaces and updates for ADA compliance; secure entrance and commons space addition; interior classroom, restroom, and locker room renovations; and parking and traffic flow improvements; and providing for necessary furniture, technology, apparatus; for such purposes it will be necessary to issue bonds of the District in one or more series in the total principal amount not to exceed \$18,950,000; and that a proposition for the issuance of bonds for such purpose has not been submitted to the electors of the District within six months preceding the date of the election called for by this resolution.

Section 3. It is hereby ordered that an election shall be held in the District in conjunction with the statewide primary election on May 12, 2026, at which election there will be submitted to the qualified voters of the District for approval or rejection of the following proposition:

“Shall Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska, issue the bonds of said District in the principal amount of not to exceed Eighteen Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$18,950,000) for the costs of constructing additions and renovations and other site improvements to the existing district buildings; safety and security updates for such buildings, including mechanical, fire safety, heating and air conditioning, electrical, and plumbing upgrades; creating instructional spaces and updates for ADA compliance; secure entrance and commons space addition; interior classroom, restroom, and locker room renovations; and parking and traffic flow improvements; and providing for necessary furniture, technology, and apparatus; said bonds to be issued from time to time as may be determined by the Board of Education, to bear interest at a rate or rates to be determined by the Board of Education and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by the Board of Education; and

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

Section 4. The ballots to be voted upon and cast at said election shall have printed thereon the foregoing proposition, followed by the words: “FOR said bonds and tax” and “AGAINST said bonds and tax” following said proposition. Qualified electors voting in favor of said proposition shall blacken completely the oval opposite the words “FOR said bonds and tax” following said proposition, and qualified electors voting against said proposition shall blacken completely the oval opposite the words “AGAINST said bonds and tax” following said proposition.

Section 5. Notice of said election shall be given to the qualified electors of said District at least twenty (20) days prior to such election and a copy of the sample ballot shall be published one time not more than ten (10) days nor less than three (3) days prior to the election, such notice and sample ballot to be published in a legal newspaper of general circulation in said District, and each of the Secretary of the District or Superintendent of Schools be and hereby is directed to cause such notice and sample ballot to be published.

Section 6. The form of ballot and form of notice of said bond election shall be substantially in the form submitted to this meeting (with any changes as may be necessary or advisable based on information provided by the Election Commissioner or bond counsel), a copy of which forms shall be made a part of the minutes. The Secretary of the District or Superintendent of Schools each is hereby authorized and directed, in conjunction with the Election Commissioner conducting the election, to arrange for the printing of the necessary ballots for said election and to do all other things and take all other action appropriate or necessary in order to cause said proposition to be submitted to the qualified electors of the District as provided herein.

Section 7. Said election shall be conducted in accordance with Section 10-701 et seq., R.R.S. 2012, as amended, and the Election Act.

Section 8. The Secretary of the District or Superintendent of Schools each is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Election Commissioner of Howard County (which County contains the greatest number of electors in the District entitled to vote on the above proposition) no later than March 1, 2026, which Election Commissioner shall conduct the election as provided by law. Ballots for voting by electors in counties other than Howard County shall be certified across county lines and voted, counted and canvassed as provided by law.

Section 9. The Election Commissioner is authorized and directed to make all necessary arrangements for submitting said proposition at such election as provided by law.

The foregoing resolution having been read in its entirety, Member \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion for its passage and adoption. After consideration, the roll was called and the following members voted in favor of the passage and adoption of said resolution:

\_\_\_\_\_. The following members voted against the same: \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_.

The passage of said resolution having been consented to by a majority vote of the members of the Board of Education, the President declared the resolution duly passed and adopted.

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Secretary

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President

**NOTICE OF ELECTION  
HOWARD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0100  
(CENTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS)  
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

Public notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska, that at an election to be held in conjunction with the statewide primary election to be held on May 12, 2026, there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION**

“Shall Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska, issue the bonds of said District in the principal amount of not to exceed Eighteen Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$18,950,000) for the costs of constructing additions and renovations and other site improvements to the existing district buildings; safety and security updates for such buildings, including mechanical, fire safety, heating and air conditioning, electrical, and plumbing upgrades; creating instructional spaces and updates for ADA compliance; secure entrance and commons space addition; interior classroom, restroom, and locker room renovations; and parking and traffic flow improvements; and providing for necessary furniture, technology, and apparatus; said bonds to be issued from time to time as may be determined by the Board of Education, to bear interest at a rate or rates to be determined by the Board of Education and to become due at such time or times as may be fixed by the Board of Education; and

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

FOR said bonds and tax

AGAINST said bonds and tax

Electors voting in favor of said proposition shall blacken completely the oval opposite the words “FOR said bonds and tax” following said proposition, and electors voting against said proposition shall blacken completely the oval opposite the words “AGAINST said bonds and tax” following said proposition.

The polling places for said election shall be open at 8:00 o’clock a.m. on the day of such primary election and will continue open until 8:00 o’clock p.m. on the same day. Qualified electors of the District will vote at the designated polling places, as set by the Election Commissioners of Howard County, Buffalo County, Hall County and Sherman County for such primary election. All of such polling places are accessible to individuals with physical mobility limitations. Ballots for early voting may be obtained from the Election Commissioner of Howard County, at 612 Indian Street, St. Paul, Nebraska 68873, the Election Commissioner of Buffalo County, at 1512 Central Ave.,

Room 245, Kearney, Nebraska 68848, the Election Commissioner of Hall County, at 200 S. Sycamore Street, Ste. 8, Grand Island, Nebraska 68801, and the Election Commissioner of Sherman County, at 630 O Street, Loup City, Nebraska 68853.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SAID DISTRICT.

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Secretary

President

District - PUBLISH - 4 Times (April 14, April 21, April 28, and May 5, 2026)

Election Commissioner – PUBLISH one time at least 42 days prior to election: March 31, 2026

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

**SCHOOL BOND ELECTION**

**HOWARD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0100  
(CENTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS)  
IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA**

**TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026**

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PUBLISH - 1 Time (Between May 2, 2026, and May 9, 2026)

**CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION CALLING ELECTION**

The undersigned Secretary of the Board of Education (the "Board") of Howard County School District 0100 (Centura Public Schools), in the State of Nebraska (the "District") hereby certifies that attached to this certificate is a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution (the "Resolution") adopted by a majority vote of the members of the Board of the District at a meeting of said Board duly called and held on February 25, 2026, pursuant to published notice as required by law and at which a quorum was present. Such Resolution calls for an election to be held on the question of issuing bonds in conjunction with the statewide primary election on May 12, 2026. Such Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been modified.

The undersigned Secretary further certifies that:

- 1. Howard County represents the county having the greatest number of electors entitled to vote on the question.
- 2. The territory of the District also includes electors residing in Buffalo County, Hall County, and Sherman County.
- 3. The Resolution designates the form of ballot for the question to be submitted at such election.
- 4. For information purposes, the form of notice of election and form of sample ballot which the District will publish are attached to the Resolution.

Dated this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Secretary of the Board of Education of  
Howard County School District 0100

**RECEIPT OF ELECTION COMMISSIONER**

Receipt of the foregoing Certificate and attached Resolution on this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, is hereby acknowledged.

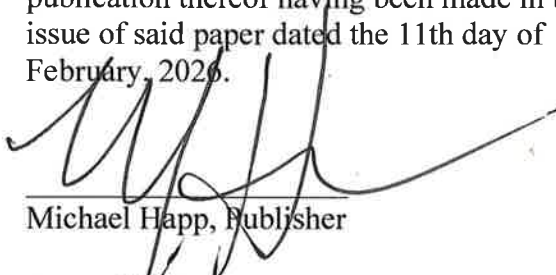
ELECTION COMMISSIONER OF  
HOWARD COUNTY, NEBRASKA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

# Certificate of Publication

State of Nebraska  
Howard County

I, Michael C. Happ, being first duly sworn depose and say that I am the publisher of the Phonograph-Herald, a weekly newspaper published in an office maintained at St. Paul, Nebraska, in the said county and state, and in general circulation in said county, and that this newspaper has a bona fide circulation of more than three hundred copies weekly, and that it has been published in said county for fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the publication of the attached notice, and that this notice was published in said newspaper one (1) consecutive week(s), the first publication thereof having been made in the issue of said paper dated the 11th day of February, 2026.



Michael Happ, Publisher

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me the 11th day of February, 2026.



Notary Public

My commission expires the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2027.



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## CENTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 100 of Howard County, Hall County, Nebraska (a/k/a Centura School District) will be held at 6:00pm on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, in the District Board Room. The agenda for this meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the Superintendent during normal business hours.

Mark Johnson,  
Secretary

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