

PAPILLION LA VISTA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS #27
American Civics Curriculum Hearing
February 9, 2026

The Board of Education of the School District of Papillion La Vista, in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, met in open and public session at 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2026. The American Civics Hearing was held at the Papillion La Vista Community School District Administration Office, 420 South Washington Street, Papillion, Nebraska.

Notice of the American Civics Hearing was provided in advance by publication in the *Sarpy Times*, February 4, 2026. Notice of the hearing was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Their acknowledgment of receipt of the agenda is maintained at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office. The proceedings, hereafter shown, were taken while the convened hearing was open to the attendance of the public.

Call to Order

Board President Brian Lodes called the hearing to order, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and publicly stated a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted at the entrance to the Board Room. All board members were present at the meeting. Roll Call was taken: Mr. Skip Bailey, Ms. SuAnn Witt, Ms. Elizabeth Butler, Mr. Marcus Madler, Mr. Brian Lodes and Ms. Lisa Wood.

American Civics Hearing

The purpose of the annual hearing is to allow public comment on the district's compliance to Neb. Stat. 79-724 regarding American Civics Curriculum relative to the 2025-2026 school year.

Dr. Shureen Seery provided the Board with an update of the Board Subcommittees meetings, Elementary grade level social studies, middle & high school courses, and Patriotic exercises from this past year. An update on the curriculum cycle was given. Social Studies is in full implementation with the current curriculum that aligns with the Nebraska State standards. Personal Finance has also been added as a graduation requirement as required by law.

There was no further discussion or questions, and the hearing was adjourned by Board President Lodes at 6:06pm.

Skip Bailey, Secretary
Board of Education