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**NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 400,
MCIPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS (SMOKY VALLEY)**

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 400, McPherson County, Kansas (Smoky Valley) (the “District”), has heretofore, pursuant to resolution duly adopted, declared it advisable to make and finance certain improvements to District facilities pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 10-101 *et seq.*, K.S.A. 25-2018(f), K.S.A. 72-5457, and K.S.A. 72-5458 *et seq.* Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the District that a bond election has been called and will be held on August 4, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

Shall the following be adopted?

Shall Unified School District No. 400, McPherson County, Kansas (Smoky Valley), issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$21,000,000, to pay the costs to construct, equip, furnish, repair, remodel and make additions to buildings and facilities used for school district purposes, including construction of a new agricultural facility, and all necessary improvements related thereto; all pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 10-101 *et seq.*, K.S.A. 25-2018(f), K.S.A. 72-5457, and K.S.A. 72-5458 *et seq.*?

To vote in favor of any question submitted on this ballot, press the word “Yes” on the voting machine or completely darken the oval to the left of the word “Yes” on the paper ballot. To vote against it, press the word “No” on the voting machine or completely darken the oval to the left of the word “No” on the paper ballot.

☐ YES

☐ NO

The polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 7:00 P.M., on August 4, 2026, the election day. The voting places in the District, and the area each voting place will serve, will be as follows:

<u>Voters Residing In Precinct</u>	<u>Will Vote At</u>	<u>Location</u>
McPherson Co.: Battle Hill, Bonaville and Gypsum Creek Townships	Roxbury United Parish	108 W. South St. Roxbury, Kansas 67476
McPherson Co.: Delmore Township	Galva Community Center	200 S. Main St. Galva, Kansas 67443
McPherson Co.: Harper and New Gottland Townships	Calvary Baptist Church	1200 E Avenue A McPherson, Kansas 67460
McPherson Co.: Marquette City, Marquette Township and South Sharps Creek Township	Marquette Senior Center	102 N. Washington St. Marquette, Kansas 67464
McPherson Co.: Smoky Hill Township and Lindsborg Ward 4	Sundstrom Event Center	102 N. Main St. Lindsborg, Kansas 67456
McPherson Co.: Union Township and	Lindsborg Senior Center	116 S. Main St.

Lindsborg Ward 3		Lindsborg, Kansas 67456
McPherson Co.: Lindsborg Ward 1	Villa Ro	421 E. Saline Lindsborg, Kansas 67456
McPherson Co.: Lindsborg Ward 2	Bethany Cottages	404 W. State St. Lindsborg, Kansas 67456
Saline Co.: Falun H69 and Washington H69	Lutheran Parish Hall	317 E. 3 rd Street Falun, Kansas 67442
Saline Co.: Smoky View H69	Assaria Lutheran Church	124 W. 1 st Street Assaria, Kansas 67416
Saline Co.: Smolan H69	Smolan Community Building	320 S. 3 rd Street Smolan, Kansas 67456
Ellsworth Co.: Langley, Venango and Trivoli Precincts	Ellsworth American Legion Hall	645 E. 15 th Street Ellsworth, Kansas 67439

The election will be conducted by the officers and/or persons provided by law for holding elections, and the method of voting will be by ballot. Registered voters are eligible to vote by advance voting ballot upon application to the County Clerk at the address set forth below pursuant to K.S.A. 25-1117 *et seq.*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Capital Improvement Fund (“CIF”) has been established in the treasury of the State of Kansas to assist school districts with making principal and interest payments on voted general obligation bond issues. The amount of CIF funding each school district receives is based on a formula prescribed by statute and implemented by the State Board of Education (“Bond State Aid”). Based on the current formula, the District expects to receive Bond State Aid in the approximate amount set forth below to assist with making the principal and interest payments on the Bonds. No assurance can be given that Bond State Aid will continue at this or any amount in future years.

The following additional information is provided by the District with respect to compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 10-120a and K.S.A. 12-6,122. This information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable by the District. Certain portions of this information are based upon projections. No assurances can be given that these projections will be accurate as of the date of issuance of the Bonds due to changing market conditions, any changes in assessed valuation of the District, changes in the amount of state financial aid received by the District and other matters unknown or unavailable at this time. The projected rates of property taxation to be used to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds are based upon the current assessed valuation of the District, the assumed principal repayment schedule and the average interest rates from recent bond issues for similar types of financings and the current level of Bond State Aid the District would receive with respect to the Bonds, all as shown below.

Projected Summary of Project Costs

<i>Sources of Funds</i>		<i>Uses of Funds</i>	
Bonds to be Issued	\$21,000,000	Project Costs (including architectural/engineering services)	\$21,000,000
Interest Earnings	<u>1,000,000</u>	Interest During Construction	700,000
		Issuance Expenses	<u>300,000</u>

		(including attorney fees, printing costs, rating agency fees, financial advisor fees, underwriting fees and other miscellaneous expenses)	
Total	\$22,000,000	Total	\$22,000,000

Projected Summary of Bond Issue Repayments

Principal payments over 25 years	Average Interest Rate	5.00%
Total Interest Cost to Maturity \$17,059,750	Assessed Valuation (2025)	\$104,018,354
Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments		\$1,522,390
Portion of average annual principal and interest payments from Bond State Aid		\$0
Portion of average annual principal and interest payments from District funds		\$1,522,390

Average Annual Property Tax Mill Levy Rate for Principal and Interest Payments

Total (without any Bond State Aid)	13.750 Mills
District Portion (with current level of Bond State Aid)	13.750 Mills

The election officer conducting the election will be the County Clerk of McPherson County, Kansas, whose address is 117 N. Maple, McPherson, Kansas 67460.

DATED: _____, 2026.

(Seal)

Hollie D. Melroy, County Clerk
McPherson County, Kansas