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Jayden Speed Officially Launches Campaign for Nebraska Legislature with Hometown Kickoff Event

Grassroots Campaign Led By Nebraska's Youngest-Ever Candidate Is Rooted in Rural Values and a Bold Vision for the Future

Nehawka, NE — Fifth-generation Nebraskan and legislative advocate Jayden Speed is officially launching his campaign for **Nebraska's 2nd Legislative District** with a hometown campaign kickoff event on **Saturday, June 7, 2025**, from 2:00–4:00 PM CT at the **Nehawka Community Building**, 217 Sherman Ave, Nehawka, NE 68413. The public is invited to join the event to learn how Speed plans to set in motion an exciting new chapter in Nebraska politics centered on opportunity, progress and results that will create an impact across the state.

“We’re officially kicking things off — and we want you to be there,” said Speed. “This campaign is about rebuilding a future where hard work leads to real opportunity — where neighbors support one another, and every family can thrive. It’s time to restore the promise of days past and build a future where we can all live the good life.”

Speed’s story is Nebraska’s story. Raised on acreage in rural Cass County, Speed grew up picking sweet corn in the summers and selling it door-to-door. He worked in a grocery store during high school, and now, as he finishes a degree in Political Science and Public Policy at The George Washington University, he continues to fight for Nebraskans every day.

“Jayden Speed is the best among us,” said **Jane Kleeb**, Nebraska Democratic Party Chair, Association of State Democratic Committees President, and Democratic National Committee Vice Chair. “He fights for the values of fairness and freedom. He stands up for our rural towns too often overlooked by politicians too comfortable in their seats and who’ve held onto power for power’s sake. Jayden is different. He builds power with and for the people. We are proud of his run and we know he will work hard to earn the votes of Nebraskans.”

Speed is not a career politician — he’s a working-class Nebraskan shaped by hardship, community, and faith. A lifelong member of the Nehawka United Methodist Church and a committed public servant, Speed has spent the past seven years advocating at the state level to protect public education, support working families, and expand justice for all. He believes faith is not just a personal compass but a call to action to love thy neighbor, serve with humility, and lead with compassion.

Speed got involved in politics to fight for working Nebraskans; to fight for everyone to be able to achieve the good life once again. When extremists tried to ban 52 books in Plattsmouth Community Schools, Speed led the fight alongside parents and community members to defend public education from political attacks. Currently, Speed works with Nebraska attorneys to seek justice for all.

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“I’m not running to be a Democratic or Republican senator. I’m running to be a Nebraska State Senator,” said Speed. “I’ll bring a balanced, compassionate voice to Lincoln — one that puts people first, not politics.”

Speed’s campaign seeks to address several key priorities, including:

- Ending high property taxes
- Defending public education
- Revitalizing the rural economy and creating economic opportunity for all
- Protecting American freedoms

The launch event will include remarks from Speed and community leaders, refreshments, and ways for attendees to get involved in this people-powered campaign. To learn more about Jayden’s platform, story, and campaign, please visit <https://www.speedfornebraska.com/>.

We encourage all press members interested in covering this pivotal moment in Nebraska’s 2nd Legislative District to join us.

The public can RSVP online at: <https://www.mobilize.us/speedfornebraska/event/770631/>

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