

## Tech Tips to Kick off the School Year

It is time to hit the books, pick up pencils and Chromebooks and head back to school! The summer flew by, and parents, teachers and students are now getting ready to begin a new school year! Now is the time to prepare for all of your technology needs during this back-to-school season.

### • Upgrade your Internet for a Homework-Heavy Household:

Make sure your internet is ready to handle all the extra time spent researching projects and connecting to classroom materials, while also allowing enough speed for parents to keep working or streaming their favorite shows and movies.

### • Stay Focused with Hamilton Managed Wi-Fi:

Keep your students focused on learning with Hamilton Managed Wi-Fi. With Managed Wi-Fi, parents can block certain apps or websites, enact a complete internet freeze when you'd like to enforce screen-free time, customize Wi-Fi access and more.

### • Protect work with Hamilton Backup and Anti-Virus:

Hamilton Backup and Anti-Virus can be installed remotely to back up important documents and work – and starts at just \$7.99 a month!

### • Never Miss a Thing with Cobalt TV® + Cloud DVR:

Keep track of your favorite TV shows this fall by adding Whole Home DVR to your Cobalt TV.

### • Reduce Stress & Clutter with eBill & Paperless Billing:

This school year, sign up for paperless billing and automatic payments through eBill for stress-free management of your accounts!

We wish all the students, teachers, faculty, staff and parents an excellent and safe school year!

## Best Wishes!

Wishing all students, teachers, faculty, staff and parents a wonderful school year!

May this school year be filled with exciting discoveries, new friendships, and academic success!

**Thank you teachers, faculty & staff for all you do!**



## Before You Dig, Call 811



Before you dig, call 811 to have utility lines marked. The affected local utilities will send a locator to your property, free of charge.

## Customer Service Hours

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Aurora

402.694.5101 • 1006 12th Street

### Burwell

308.346.5500 • 887 H Street

### Gibbon

308.468.6341 • 22 LaBarre Street

### Grand Island

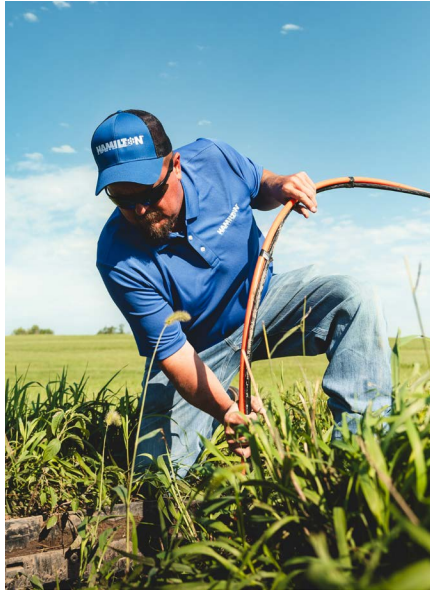
308.381.1000 • 1229 Allen Drive, Suite E



## Fiber to the Home Construction Update

Construction for Hamilton Fiber Internet has been an ongoing project for several years. Our goal throughout this entire project is to provide everyone within our service area with the fastest, most reliable fiber internet connection directly to our customers' homes.

Our hardworking fiber construction crews are taking steps towards completion every day! The most exciting announcement is that these crews have finished all mainline construction in every community within our service area. For our customers, this means that we are even closer to getting everyone connected to fiber internet – which boasts faster download and upload speeds, seamless streaming, and reliable connectivity.



As we get closer to finishing our entire fiber project, we plan to completely retire all copper facilities in our communities, beginning with: Aurora, Doniphan, Giltner, Hampton, Hordville, Marquette, Phillips, Stockham and Trumbull. If you are not already on fiber, it is imperative to contact our team to convert your phone and/or internet service as soon as possible in order to prevent any disruption to your service. Please do not hesitate to contact our office at 402-694-5101 to set up a time for our team to complete the conversion. For more information about our plan to retire all copper facilities and convert to fiber, please visit [Hamilton.net/public-notice](https://Hamilton.net/public-notice).

In addition, crews are busy in Litchfield, Ravenna, Gibbon and Shelton preparing to convert all customers to fiber. Customers in these communities can expect a phone call from our customer service department to schedule an appointment for their fiber conversion.

As for our other communities in Central Nebraska, fiber construction is complete! If you have not already converted to fiber, our customer service teams will be contacting you to get this done.

Our fiber conversion project has been a lengthy process, but we are thrilled to be so near completion and see the light at the end of the tunnel – for us and for our customers! Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding fiber internet, the process of converting, or fiber construction.

## Refer a Friend & Save \$50

We appreciate you choosing us as your service provider! If you love our internet, refer your friends! Your referrals not only strengthen our community but also reward you with savings. Just ask your friend to mention your name when they sign up for service. Once they are signed up and activated, you will receive a \$50 credit on your next Hamilton bill. Your friend and new customer will receive \$10 off their first bill. [Hamilton.net/refer-a-friend](https://Hamilton.net/refer-a-friend)



## Husker® Trivia



It is finally time to cheer on our Huskers during the fall sports season! We are excited to have recently become the Official Business IT Partner of Nebraska Athletics. Watch for Hamilton to appear in the stadium, at Devaney, and on TV. We are proud to support the storied tradition of Husker athletics.

While we wait, test your Husker knowledge with some Husker Trivia by scanning the code using your mobile phone. Every entry will be entered to win a Husker giveaway basket. Thank you for being a loyal Hamilton customer and Go Big Red!



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## From Our Kitchen to Yours: Creamy Avocado Green Salsa

If you're looking for a recipe for a tailgate or back to school get together, checkout this homemade Creamy Avocado Green Salsa recipe courtesy of Nate Israelson, Help Desk Technician in Aurora.



Nate Israelson

Ingredients Needed:

- 6 - Tomatillos
- 1 - Large White Onion
- 2 - Jalapeños
- 2 - Avocados
- 1 - Bunch of Cilantro

1. Roast tomatillos and seeded jalapeños over medium heat for 8-10 minutes.
2. Place the tomatillos in the blender with the chopped onion, jalapeño peppers and water, then process to a coarse texture.
3. Add the cilantro and the pulp from the avocado. Process again to desired texture, either smooth and creamy or chunky. Add salt to taste.