

I am running for PVUSD Trustee Area 2 to focus the board on learning. I am deeply committed to the students of the Pajaro Valley. I will support a learning environment that allows our youth to develop their unique gifts.

A Pajaro Valley native, I attended PVUSD schools: Freedom, Aptos Jr, and Watsonville High. My father and stepmother, Owen and Marcia Hand, were career PVUSD educators. My daughters, PVUSD graduates, benefitted from the excellent education they obtained here, receiving degrees from UC Irvine and UC Santa Barbara. The youngest will soon be a high school teacher.

As a Community Association Manager, I oversee a \$2 Million budget and lead 15 employees. One aspect of my work is disaster preparedness and emergency response. I am known for my calmness during crises. I am a problem solver who can analyze and address complex issues, an active listener, and an experienced leader in times of strife.

I am keenly aware that good leaders/trustees can make a big difference in students' lives and our community's health. I pledge to serve our community with diligence and wisdom. If you desire a chaos-free governing body focused on respecting and caring for our students and educators and an environment that meets students where they are, please support me.