

Andrew Goldenkranz candidate statement.

After decades in public education and advocacy, I'm ready to rebuild community through PVUSD.

PVUSD can thrive, but faces serious challenges that require leadership and courage. Budget deficits, potential school closures, and lack of trust undermine confidence and limit student success. As Trustee, I can bring people together, resisting the petty squabbling that interferes with focus on achievement.

Living in Aptos since 1993, my two children are graduates of PVUSD schools. My decades in public education include working at Aptos High for nine years as a teacher and administrator, then leading PCS as it achieved national prominence. I led an interdisciplinary climate literacy implementation among Santa Clara County schools, and a national teacher training institute at Princeton, partnering with the National Academy of Sciences, American Museum of Natural History, and the CDC.

Decades of community service and advocacy in housing, health care, climate and education include board service with Housing Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz Community Health, Community Bridges, Temple Beth El, Life Lab, and the county Democratic Party.

I understand school finance, using data to support students, and have a proven track record in school and program improvement. Education and community leaders support me.

I'm honored to earn your vote.