

**CANDIDATE STATEMENT
JOHN SWETT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

My name is: William A. Concannon
My age is: 56
My occupation is: Electrical Sign Contractor
Education and Qualifications:

The success of the students at John Swett Unified School District is important to all of us, but our district is in trouble. I am running for school board because I believe we can do better for our children. A good school district should include school board members who are not afraid of tackling difficult issues, and who will listen to the citizens in our community and value their input.

We need a school board who will support the education of our children by actively seeking to retain and attract the most qualified teachers, and by providing our teachers with the resources they need to do their job. When resources and funds are limited, they need to be well managed. They need to go to the places that will support our children's education.

I am a graduate of the University of California, Riverside (1971, BA.) Since 1975 I have been the owner of a small business, Aargon Neon, which has been located in Crockett for the past twenty years. I became a licensed electrical sign contractor in 1988. In addition to operating my business, in 2004 I became a sculpture instructor at the Academy of Art University in San Francisco. My community service includes being a former board member of the Crockett Improvement Association and a former member of the ConocoPhillips Community Advisory Panel. I am currently a board member of the Shoreline Environmental Alliance. Since 2003 I have been on the Rodeo Hills Elementary School Site Council.

I am committed to working hard to achieve our common goals and promise to be an independent thinker and not a rubber stamp. Together we can build the partnerships with the community that will move our district forward. I respectfully ask for your vote.