

**Watchmen Voter Guide for Kootenai Joint School District Zone #2**  
**\* Click on each candidate's name to see their completed questionnaire \***

	Angie McCreavy	<a href="#">Jonathon (Jon) E Verkist</a>
1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	<b>No Response Received</b>	Jon Verkist, and I am running for school board trustee zone 2 in district 274, Kootenai SD. I am running for this position because the position is open, my kids attended this school and it is a way I can show my appreciation for the education they received there. I also have a deep appreciation for the people in my zone and want to do my part in representing them and helping support their needs and interests and to make sure that I am doing my part as a citizen of my community.
2. How could your school district be improved? Please provide your top 2-3 ideas.	<b>No Response Received</b>	I want to make sure that there is stability in the management of the school, I also want to make sure that in today's political and social climate that our kids continue to get a worthwhile and sound education.
3. What is your educational philosophy and how do you plan to implement this philosophy as a member of the board of trustees?	<b>No Response Received</b>	My philosophy is to teach the kids how to learn and how to think for themselves. The way I feel this should be implemented it to make sure that the management understands how this is to be done, and also, I will do my best to keep false and foolish philosophies from entering into the teaching environment.
4. What role should "Critical Race Theory" have in the education of children?	<b>No Response Received</b>	It should not have any role in the education of our kids. In my opinion it is a worthless philosophy and does not help our kids to be sound contributors to a strong society.
5. Would you support adding diversity, equity, and inclusion to the school curriculum? Why or why not?	<b>No Response Received</b>	I believe that all people need to be treated with respect and civility that includes all of us. I don't believe that one person should be treated differently than another just because of how they look, feel, or believe.
6. What is your view on the growth of Charter Schools?	<b>No Response Received</b>	One of the things I like about Idaho is that parents have options on how to raise their children, and where they feel their children can get the best education, whether it is in the public school system, a credentialed charter school, or even home schooled I feel that those options need to be preserved.
7. Should children be allowed to access obscene materials through school libraries? Please base your answer on the federal definition of obscenity.	<b>No Response Received</b>	No!
8. Do you support or oppose bathroom and locker room usage based on preferred gender identification? Why or why not?	<b>No Response Received</b>	No, I do not, bathroom usage should only be used by gender assigned at birth.
9. How should counselors work with parents to resolve issues with their children?	<b>No Response Received</b>	They should do so with full transparency and respect.
10. What is your opinion on students being able to receive an abortion or change their gender without parental notification?	<b>No Response Received</b>	My opinion is they should not be able to do either without parental notification and consent.

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11. Do you support the 1619 project? Why or why not?	<b>No Response Received</b>	No, I don't I feel that we should not change history to meet the ideas if of an off the chart leftist agenda.
12. In what circumstances should students be able to receive mental health assistance without parental notification?	<b>No Response Received</b>	I really don't know I'm not a doctor or a mental health professional. In a perfect world the parent should always be notified but incases of severe child abuse there may have to be a different discussion.
13. Who has the responsibility for the education of children?	<b>No Response Received</b>	The parents bare the full responsibility of their children. The school is there to support the parents in this endeavor until the child is old enough and mature enough to take that responsibility upon themselves.
14. What should the goal of education be?	<b>No Response Received</b>	One goal of education is to preserve the freedom of our nation. Another goal of education is to prepare the upcoming generation to be able to take care of themselves and to progress and become good, sound and wise adults.
15. Do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	<b>No Response Received</b>	I strongly oppose the legalization of marijuana. The usage of which would greatly impair the minds of our young people.
16. What is your background and why do you feel it qualifies you for this position?	<b>No Response Received</b>	I have served on this school board previously, and so I have some experience in doing so. I have raised 5 children and I have a good idea of how valuable this resource is. I have owned and operated a business in Idaho for 30+ years and so I have a pretty good idea how money should be spent. I have also been a member of this community for 30 years and I don't feel that the people should have to worry about whether thing are being done correctly, and I believe that I can take care of that for them.