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**MISSION STATEMENT:** *The Canton Professional Educators' Association initiates and supports positive changes in the public school system, promotes the educational profession, and actively serves as an advocate for its members.*

Comments from the  
President Paul Palomba

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**Public Schools:** Supports fully funding public education as a public good—not a marketplace.

**School Choice:** Constitutionally Acton aligns with protecting public school systems by not diverting public tax dollars to private interests.

**Teacher Unions:** View unions as a legitimate worker organization.

- Acton believes that unions:
  - protect working conditions
  - give educators a voice in policy
  - stabilize the teaching profession

**STRS/Retirement:** Treat STRS as a promise to workers.

- honor pension commitments
- stabilize funding and keep governing board in the hands of educators
- resist restructuring of the STRS board

**Collective Bargaining:** Supports collective bargaining as a basic labor right.

- Teachers keep a seat at the table.
- Contracts remain enforceable.
- Wages, class size, & working conditions are negotiated—not dictated

**Public Schools:** Views system as bloated and inefficient. Believes in shrinking traditional public education's footprint.

**School Choice:** Redirect public tax dollars into private & religious schools by drawing enrollment and funding from public school districts.

- creating a multi-tier system where public schools are left with higher need students and less resources

**Teacher Unions:** Believes teachers unions are too politically powerful.

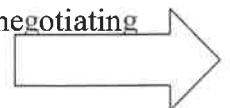
- believes unions are resistant to "change"
- believes unions are a system that must be weakened or bypassed.

**STRS/Retirement:** Views the pension system as a defined benefit security.

- market based, individual-risk retirement model
- cut liabilities rather than reinforce funding

**Collective Bargaining:**

- limit or eliminate collective bargaining rights
- shift power away from unions in favor of management
- create weaker unions to cut benefits, increase workload, & restructure pay without negotiating



## In a Nutshell...

Amy Acton believes collective bargaining is a safeguard. It balances power and protects educators from political swings, while Ramaswamy views collective bargaining as friction that slows down the systemic overall of privatizing education. To be even more succinct, Acton's approach says "Teachers deserve a unified voice to negotiate their pay, working conditions, and future". The other gubernatorial candidate says, "Break up that unified voice, so change can happen faster, leaving teachers with no leverage".

# AN EVENING WITH AMY ACTON

Canton & Stark County  
Cordially Welcome

**AMY ACTON**

Memorial Civic Center  
for a moderated town  
hall event

**MAY 22, 2026**

6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

**1101 MARKET AVE N,  
CANTON, OH 44702**



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