



## SRJC Alumni & Friends Association

Growing up in Sebastopol, Dr. Robert K. Schneider was heavily involved with agricultural pursuits including 4-H and showing sheep at the county fair. Upon graduating from Analy High school, Dr. Schneider was unsure as to what he wanted to pursue for a course of study. He enrolled in Santa Rosa Junior College in 1968 and began taking classes under Dr. Bob Rubin and John Edwards.

Dr. Schneider decided to pursue a major in biology while attending SRJC but was undecided as to what to specialize in. He understood veterinary medical school was very competitive and strived to be realistic in his career goals.



Upon transferring to the University of California, Davis, Dr. Schneider saw his GPA jump a full grade point. Dr. Schneider credits the instructors at SRJC for their hands-on instruction, passion for teaching and the ability for them to impress upon him how hard he needed to work in order to achieve his goals.

In his senior year at UC Davis, Dr. Schneider was accepted into the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Schneider recognizes his instructors at the JC as continuing to have played a role in his career success. His instructors at the JC were able to write him impressive letters of recommendation as they knew Dr. Schneider. He was not lost among a lecture hall with hundreds of students as is so common in larger colleges and universities.

Dr. Schneider has had many accomplishments throughout his 35-year career in diagnosing and treating horses with lameness and orthopedic injuries. He currently provides equine veterinary treatment at Peters Equine Hospital and Emerald Downs Race Track in Washington. He also continues to educate others in the treatment of orthopedic equine injuries by serving as a speaker at conferences and publishing over 80 papers on diagnosing and treating lameness in horses.