

SCCOE CTE Team Monthly Newsletter

November Edition

November 2021 Newsletter

The Santa Clara County Office of Education CTE Team is dedicated to providing important CTE and College and Career updates to our community through our monthly SCCOE CTE Team Newsletter. We look forward to building and improving communication with the goal of creating equitable access to high quality CTE pathways and College and Career transitions for all our students throughout Santa Clara County.



A Note From the CTE Coordinator

Happy November, and a tremendous thank you to our collaborative partners for a fabulous College Day! We had a total of 192 registrations including individual classrooms! Special thanks to Davis Intermediate School for hosting our kickoff, and for our presenters including Excite Credit Union, BACCC, Mission College, CalSoap, UC Berkeley Destination College, SJ Public Library, and the NorCal College Promise Commission.

CTE Teacher and Connector Community of Practice



Happy November, CTE teachers and Connectors!

We look forward to seeing you at the **November 8th CTE Teacher and Connector Community of Practice!** We have so much to share and talk about, and decisions to make about upcoming events and collaborations. The CoP meeting is on Monday, from 3:30-4:30 PM.

Special note to ICT teachers: at this CoP we need your input on the December 6-10th ICT Sector Week event. If you cannot make the meeting, please take a few minutes to fill out the ICT Sector Week input form, [HERE](#).

At this meeting you will:

- Connect with colleagues from across the County and share challenges and best practices.
- Get acquainted with the free services of Earn & Learn and PilotCity that are available to help you provide innovative and life-changing career exploration and work-based learning experiences to your students.
- Help shape events to impact more students.
- Have a chance to share your support needs, so the Santa Clara County Office of Education can provide you with the best services possible.

The Community of Practice will meet monthly and future presenters will include:

- [Google Career Certificates](#)
- [IBM SkillsBuild](#)
- [Key Code Media Education](#)
- [Qwasar](#)
- [SC Builders](#)
- [Multiverse](#)
- Others, by your request!

Click here for the CTE CoP Zoom Link

Community of Practice Open to Santa Clara County CTE teachers and Connectors

Collaborator of the Month

Collaborator of the Month for November is [The Tech Interactive!](#)

“Education is at the heart of everything we do at The Tech. We encourage curiosity for science, engineering, math and technology in students on field trips, educators in our professional development programs, and families in our communities. We strive to ensure that everyone we serve has the opportunity to learn skills the future will demand.”

Follow this link to learn more about the [full set of offerings for educators](#).

Among the many offerings of The Tech are their Tech Academies. Please view the video below to learn more about The Tech Academies.

About The Tech Academies



K12 PATHWAYS COORDINATOR CORNER



Digital NEST expanding to Gilroy

WATSONVILLE-BASED ORGANIZATION PLANS TO GROW NORTH TO EAST BAY NEXT

By Tony Nuñez

The [Digital NEST](https://gilroydispatch.com/digital-nest-expanding-to-gilroy/) during its first six years has seen impressive and steady growth in the number of young people that it serves and in the impact on the communities in which it is embedded.

Now, the nonprofit youth workforce development center headquartered in Watsonville is expanding again. This time inching closer to the hustle and bustle of Silicon Valley—the ultimate landing spot for some of the young adults the organization is molding. In November, Digital Nest will celebrate its seventh year helping students gain success in the digital age.

<https://gilroydispatch.com/digital-nest-expanding-to-gilroy/>

Gavilan College Celebrates 'Growing Through Change' and Return to Campus

by Jan Janes

Gavilan College hosted Fall 2021 Convocation with a reduced footprint, bowing to the continued pressure of COVID pandemic guidelines.

The opening of the academic year, steeped in tradition, would normally fill the Art Quad and Theater. By contrast, this year's event was held in a classroom with fewer than 30 people, socially distanced, attending in person. More than 250 people joined the opening remarks via Zoom.

Dr. Kathleen Rose, Superintendent/President of Gavilan College, noted the pandemic's effects on students and the institution. "We must have a call to action around our college, system, people, and students," she said. "With the strategic plan going into year three, what do your students need to be successful?"

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The Benefits of College in High School Programs

College in high school programs, such as dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and early college high school provide significant benefits to students, schools, colleges, and society.

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Student Feature

Jaeyln Mitchell, PAUSD, Social Justice Pathway

Jaeyln is a senior at Paly on the cheer team and a part of the social justice program. Jessica is taking [Advanced Authentic Research \(AAR\)](#), a multiple pathway CTE course, and she has a new accolade to add to her resume. She has recently been appointed as the Secretary for the NAACP State California and Hawaii for the youth and college division and currently holds the position of secretary for the Oakland Imani youth council. Jaeyln got involved with the group for many reasons, but chose the Oakland chapter because her grandparents own a church in the community. Her role as the state secretary includes taking notes, send out important emails and making sure everything runs smoothly and she will be in this position for a 2-year term. Last year, Jaelyn hosted a community forum for the Social Justice Pathway cohorts about race relations and how to be an ally for the last year 2020 election. She hopes to attend a historically black college (HBCU) next year, and pursue a degree in political science. PAUSD wishes her luck & to keep in touch because we know she is going to continue to have great achievements!



Featured CTE Program

Los Gatos High School CTE is led by three CTE credentialed teachers.

Alex Czech teaches [Graphic Design](#) levels 1-3, Patricia Sutton teaches

[Fashion Design](#) and Fashion Styling and Merchandising as well as

[International Cuisine and Hospitality](#) and Aaron Payne teaches

[Manufacturing Technology](#) including Woodworking and Metal

Manufacturing levels 1-4. Students who complete an Elective Pathway Concentration including a portfolio are recognized each year with a special certificate of achievement.



UPCOMING CTE EVENTS

[San Diego COE CTE Virtual Conference](#) November 2-4.

San Diego & Imperial Counties Community Colleges Regional Consortium

[2021 Counselor Conference: Counseling Students for Future Careers](#) December 1-2.

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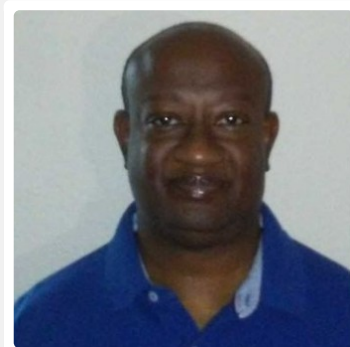
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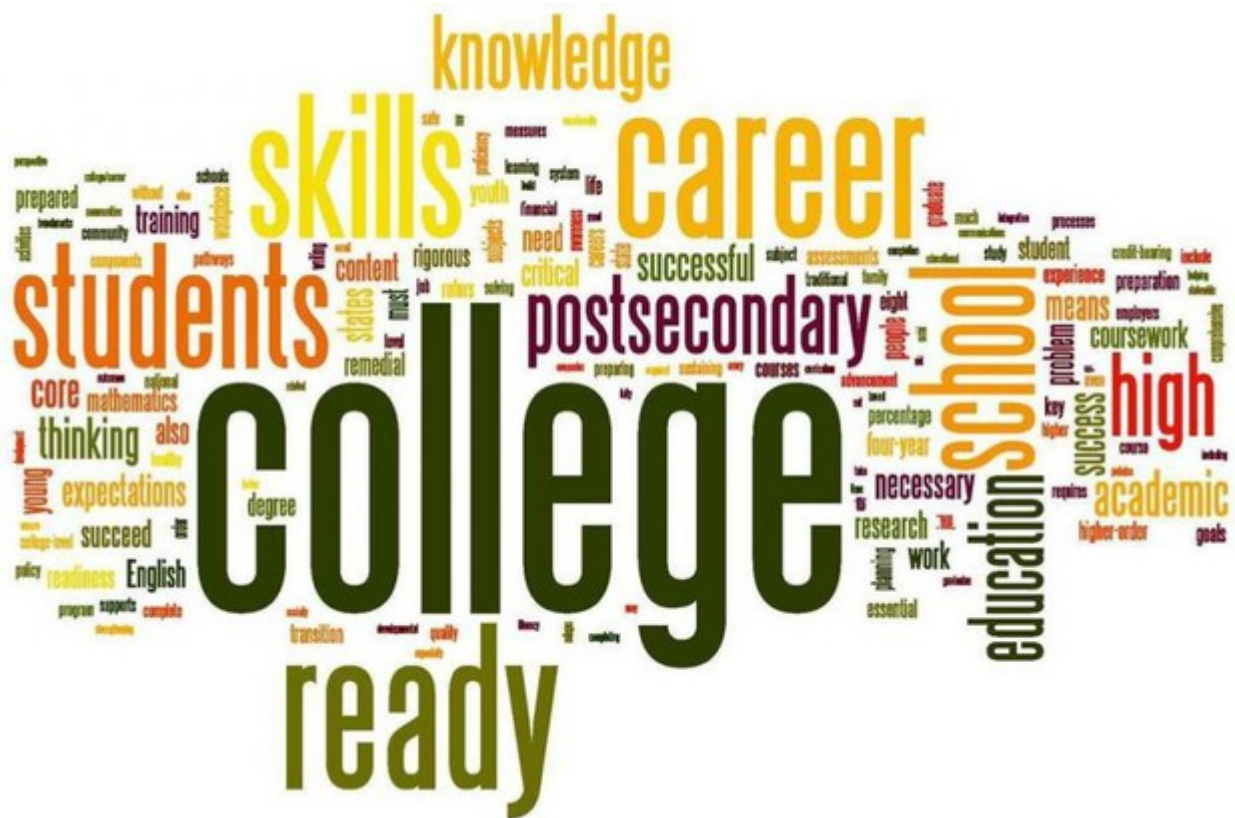
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