April 2022 Newsletter

In order to bring important information in one venue, the Santa Clara County Office of Education CTE Team, and the SCCOE College Day Committee has combined efforts to bring important CTE and College and Career updates to our community through one monthly SCCOE CTE/College and Career 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 workshops, opportunities, and information for all our students throughout Santa Clara County.

A Note From the CTE Coordinator

Welcome to our April Edition, celebrating the many exciting CTE and College and Career events happening this spring. We know that the month of April is bustling with events, testing, planning, and the excitement of warmer weather and summer time vacation ahead. We continue our work with providing informational opportunities in CTE and College and Career, including our 3rd series of middle school/high school parent workshops focusing on supporting exploring careers with your students this April! Additionally, our College Day Planning team is continually planning for College Day 2022 in October. We hope you enjoy this month's edition.

SCCOE CTE Team Padlet

Welcome to our SCCOE CTE Team Padlet - a one stop shop resource to browse exciting opportunities in an easy to use venue! Click on this link to preview upcoming events, and exciting resources! [https://padlet.com/eileenbrown227/ge982xc9sic7sxy](https://padlet.com/eileenbrown227/ge982xc9sic7sxy)

UPCOMING EVENTS
Attention Middle School and High School Parents and Students!

To register for this event, click on this button

Helping Your Child Explore Careers - Part 3

Help spread the word to our middle school and high school parents!

Our third workshop in the series Helping Your Student Explore Careers will be April 28, 6:30-7:30 via Zoom. In this workshop we will be looking at the Current Job Outlook in the Bay Area as well as hearing from leads in the area of Health Careers, IT and Communication Careers and Manufacturing and Product Design Careers. They will discuss the wide range of opportunities for students right out of high school for jobs, certifications and AA/AS degrees.

For more information, please contact:
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To register for this event, click on this button
Roadtrip Nation - A Valuable Free Resource for Career Exploration

Check out this video that walks you through how to use Roadtrip Nation! Our innovative K12 Pathway Coordinators presented this exciting and free resource to our middle school parents. Teachers, counselors, parents and students are encouraged to start student exploration early. For more information regarding Roadtrip Nation, please visit [https://www.roadtripnation.com/](https://www.roadtripnation.com/)

Helping your Child Find their Path

[Image: Video and Milestones]

Health Sector Week Survey - Building Customized Content for You!

During the week of May 9th, we will be hosting a Health Sector event. To customize the event to meet your needs, please take a few minutes to fill out this [SURVEY](#).

Even if your school does not have a formal health pathway, students might be interested in learning more about these career opportunities.

CTE Connector Community of Practice - April 11

We look forward to seeing you at the April 11th CTE Teacher and Connector Community of Practice! We have so much to share and talk about. The CoP meeting is from 3:30-4:30 PM, and here is the zoom link: [https://sccoe.zoom.us/j/92523990089?pwd=Sjc4eFl4eDdlUVpLVpLZSZ9DWS9BdnIzdz09](https://sccoe.zoom.us/j/92523990089?pwd=Sjc4eFl4eDdlUVpLVpLZSZ9DWS9BdnIzdz09)

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 and opportunities 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.

Collaborator of the Month

The Rotary Club of Los Altos is Collaborator of the Month

The Rotary Club of Los Altos, with over 170 active members, dates back to 1949. In their own words:
The Rotary Club of Los Altos is a nonpolitical, non-sectarian fellowship of inspired business, professional and community leaders, guided by high ethical standards. As Rotarians, we work in proactive ways to change lives in our community and around the world. Our skills and contributions are leveraged through Rotary International, to accomplish high-impact projects.
The Club’s generous contribution of $15,000 is helping to support wages for underrepresented students to participate in a Summer internship work-based learning program. In addition, the Rotary contribution to this exciting project will ensure that program participants receive cultural responsiveness and empowerment training to build an asset-focused culture of mutual support and student success.

Planning a Career Day? This is Great Toolkit from Earn & Learn!

Our amazing partner, Earn & Learn, has valuable free toolkits that can help schools as they build out career exploration opportunities. We want to highlight one great resource for planning a Career Day. http://toolset.earnlearn.us/work-based-learning-activity-guides-directory/career-day-guide/

Palo Alto Unified School District - CTE Program Highlights!

We want to share and highlight innovative programs that engage and advance student experiences in the real world through CTE.
The Advanced Authentic Research (AAR) Program, which is categorized under multiple pathways, is a unique opportunity for students in grades 10-12 to explore their interest, passion, curiosity, and perseverance, while they investigate an authentic industry topic of their choosing. Students are paired with mentors in the particular field of research who will support and facilitate each students' work in their respective laboratories, offices, and other settings. The student research is supported by the process-oriented curriculum developed by the AAR Team. The recursive nature of the research process allows students to go back and forth between the different stages of inquiry as they encounter new information. For more information, please visit aar.pausd.org.

Starting in 2022-23, AAR will be offered as a dual enrollment course. Students will be enrolled both at their respective PAUSD high school and Foothill College. AAR’s year-long dual enrollment course includes five separate courses at Foothill:

- LINC 66C - SEARCHING AND RESEARCHING THE INTERNET
- LINC 77A - DESIGN THINKING PROCESS
- LINC 64 - SLIDE PRESENTATION DESIGN
- LINC 58 - GLOBAL PROJECT-BASED LEARNING
- LINC 90C - ONLINE COLLABORATION TOOLS

As a district, Palo Alto Unified is excited to create multiple pathways to getting students prepared for their future careers through our dual-enrolled course offerings.

Welcome to the College Success Hub

The California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) was established by the state legislature in 1978. Today, Cal-SOAP is instrumental in improving the flow of information about postsecondary education and financial aid while raising the achievement levels of low-income, elementary and secondary school students or geographic regions with documented low-eligibility or college participation rates, and who are first in their families to attend college. Click on this link to learn more: https://sites.google.com/ucsc.edu/thecollegesuccesshub/home

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