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SCCOE launches live web streaming of board meetings, other services

SAN JOSE, CA – Beginning Feb. 18, at the next Santa Clara County Board of Education meeting, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) will begin live web streaming of board meetings, which will also be archived and available on-demand in an easy-to-view format that includes a navigable agenda. Utilizing Granicus, the leading provider of cloud-based solutions for government transparency, efficiency and citizen engagement, viewers will be able to watch the meetings easily online and on any mobile or portable device. This new platform will also enhance the SCCOE's ability to web stream other organization-wide events, professional development trainings and conferences.

Web streaming is the most cost effective and optimal distribution method available today, providing increased accessibility for members of the community and flexibility of scheduling for SCCOE-sponsored events.

"Providing greater access to the community is always our goal," said Board President Darcie Green. "If we can assist those who want to be involved and informed about Board of Education business and the decisions being made about critical local education issues, then we can strengthen community engagement and participation while bolstering transparency."

The user-friendly web interface will allow viewers of the meeting to see the whole agenda simultaneously and instantly jump to the beginning of a different agenda item just by clicking on it while watching the archived version.

"We want the public knowledgeable and engaged because what we do here at the SCCOE has a real impact on the lives of students, families and the community," said County Superintendent of Schools Jon Gundry. "It's great to be able to utilize technology to bring our board meetings to our stakeholders to conveniently watch live or whenever and wherever they want."

Regular board meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month, at 5 p.m., in the San Jose Room of the SCCOE, 1290 Ridder Park Dr., San Jose. An updated schedule and meeting agendas are available at www.sccoe.org.

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