



Juneteenth: A Day of Reflection, Remembrance, and Celebration

Observed annually on June 19, Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day or Emancipation Day, commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans in the United States. This significant day in history marks June 19, 1865, when Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas, to announce the end of the Civil War and enforce the Emancipation Proclamation, more than two years after it was issued.

Juneteenth serves as a powerful reminder of the struggles and resilience of those who fought for justice, equality, and liberation. It is both a celebration of freedom and a call to continue working toward a future rooted in equity and inclusion for all.

Juneteenth is an opportunity to come together, celebrate diversity, promote understanding, and strengthen community bonds. It invites each of us to reflect on our shared history and to recommit to building a more just and inclusive society on this day and every day.

Community News and Resources



**INNOVATIONS
COLLABORATIVE**

We are excited to announce that the Request for Proposals is now open for the 2025 Innovations Collaborative State Conference!

The 12th Annual Innovations Collaborative State Conference (ICSC) is a hybrid professional development event dedicated to building learning environments where all children and young adults can thrive. This conference brings together teachers, administrators, family child care providers, paraeducators, higher education faculty, and educational coordinators. Explore approaches that support the growth, participation, and success of individuals from birth to age 24 —across all abilities and learning needs.

Date: October 20-22, 2025

Location: Santa Clara County Office of Education | 1290 Ridder Park Dr. San Jose, CA 95131

Theme: Innovationeers Ignite! igniting ideas, daring dreams, building belonging

Submit your proposal here: <https://sccoe.to/ICSCRFp>

Take a look at the flyer for more

information: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pCTJaYi9h8kLDq2iraa-Y3aGd1eJJoJq/view?usp=drive_link

The deadline to submit is **June 30, 2025**.




Sacred Hearts Community Service: Pack-A-Back 2025

Pack-A-Back 2025 Registration is NOW OPEN!

Get your child ready for the new school year with essential school supplies. Visit our website to sign up for an appointment: sacredheartcs.org/pab-reg2025

For help or questions, please email: registrationhelp@sacredheartcs.org





Santa Clara County Office of Education

Empowering Communities, Shaping School Climates: Supporting Healthy Learners Conference

Bringing together educators, district leaders, parent leaders, and school staff to explore evidence-based strategies that support safe, supportive, and healthy school environments.

- Expert-led discussions
- Hands-on workshops
- Resource-sharing sessions
- Networking opportunities
- Resource fair

 **Pre-Conference**
September 10, 2025
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

 **Conference (2-day)**
September 11, 2025
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
September 12, 2025
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Santa Clara County Office of Education 1290 Ridder Park Dr. San Jose, CA 95131

Early Bird Registration (\$300): May 1 - June 30, 2025

Please register at: sccoe.to/school-climate-conf-2025

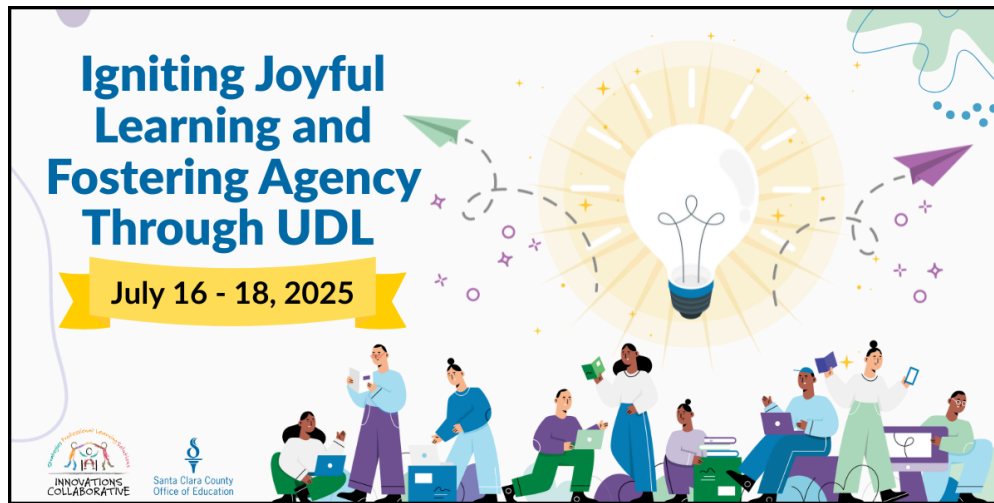
Empowering Communities, Shaping School Climates: Supporting Healthy Learners Conference

Save the date for the Empowering Communities, Shaping School Climates: Supporting Healthy Learners Conference a powerful, purpose-driven event that's reshaping the future of education—where student well-being, thriving school climates, and academic success go hand in hand.

From September 10 - 11, 2025, this conference is your opportunity to connect with a passionate community of educators, district leaders, parent advocates, and school staff, all committed to creating safe, inclusive, and healthy environments for every student.

For more information or to register, visit: <https://sccoe.to/school-climate-conf-2025>

**There is a fee for this event.*



Igniting Joyful Learning and Fostering Agency Through UDL

Discover how Universal Design for Learning (UDL) core concepts, guidelines, and the design process can transform your teaching to support all learners through flexible, inclusive, and intentional strategies.

Date: July 16-18, 2025

Time: 9:00 -3:00

Location: SCCOE

To register, visit: <https://sccoe.to/UDLsummer2025>

District Resources



LEVERAGING LCAP FUNDING

**Insights and Best Practices
for Sustainable Residency
Programs**

*A new resource for districts looking
to strengthen and sustain their
teacher residency programs!*

 srtac.sccoe.org/resources



Leveraging LCAP Funding: Insights and Best Practices for Sustainable Residency Programs

The Statewide Residency Technical Assistance Center (SRTAC) is excited to introduce *Leveraging LCAP Funding: Insights and Best Practices for Sustainable Residency Programs*—a new resource for districts looking to build and sustain strong educator residencies.

Featuring key learnings from Bakersfield City, San Juan Unified, and Victor Elementary school districts, this guide offers practical insights on integrating residency programs into Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP) for long-term impact.

Explore actionable recommendations on utilizing local funding to recruit and retain qualified teachers by visiting: <https://sccoe.to/srtac-lcap-funding>



Grants for Educators

Educators are encouraged to view the grant opportunities available to them.

To view them, visit: <https://sccoe.to/GrantOpportunitiesforEducators>

Health and Wellness

Clearing the Air on Youth Cannabis

2025 Webinar Series

Sponsored by the California Department of Public Health, Contract #22-11116.

Speakers:

Timothy Fong, MD
Clinical Professor
Addiction Psychiatry, UCLA

Alex Davila
School Counselor
Monroe Middle School, San Jose



"The Impact of Cannabis on Youth Mental Health: What's Lying in the Weeds?"

 **June 18, 2025**
10 to 11 a.m.

REGISTER

bit.ly/4irnA3N

For more information: sup@phd.sccgov.org

Santa Clara County
**PUBLIC
HEALTH**

SCCPHD "Clearing the Air on Youth Cannabis" Webinar Series

Join the Santa Clara County Public Health Department for the Expand your knowledge with our "Clearing the Air on Youth Cannabis" Webinar Series. Gain insights into the status of youth cannabis use in the county, current science on risks, policy landscape, and opportunities for action and engagement.

Register: <http://bit.ly/4irnA3N>



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