



IMPACT Weekly

August 24, 2022

EQUITY | DIVERSITY | INCLUSION | PARTNERSHIP

Message from Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, County Superintendent of Schools

Hello everyone,

The Santa Clara County Office of Education will participate in the Silicon Valley Pride Parade and Festival on Sunday, August 28. Participating in this vibrant celebration is a great way to affirm and embrace the LGBTQ+ community, specifically LGBTQ+ youth.

As the state with the largest LGBTQ+ population, it is important for LGBTQ+ youth to be seen, heard, represented and supported. The SCCOE is committed to creating safe and inclusive school environments for all youth, free from harassment, intimidation, bullying and discrimination, and is committed to addressing the needs and inequities LGBTQ+ youth experience.

As schools, students and families begin the new school year, here are resources that can provide guidance for LGBTQ+ youth, families and allies:

- [SCCOE LGBTQ+ Supports & Resources](#)
- [The LGBTQ Youth Space](#)
- [Santa Clara Valley Medical Center's Gender Health Center](#)
- [PFLAG San Jose/Peninsula Chapter](#)
- [Santa Clara County Office of LGBTQ Affairs](#)
- [The Q Corner](#)

Safe and welcoming school environments are important for the health and wellbeing of youth. Asking pronouns and names, and using inclusive language can make a world of difference for students.

Together, we can create spaces for youth to be their authentic selves.

We are **#StrongerTogether**.



Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools

Be well,

Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools

SCCOE News

Visit the [SCCOE Newsroom](#) for the latest news and updates.

Community News and Resources



Emergency Preparedness Fair

Everyone has a part in the emergency planning process! It takes the whole community including government, first responders and the community, working together to respond to and recover from an emergency or disaster. When we work together our communities are stronger when faced with and more resilient after an emergency or disaster occurs.

The Office of Emergency Management is hosting our inaugural [Emergency Preparedness Fair](#) on Saturday, September 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the County of Santa Clara Animal Services Agency located at 12425 Monterey Rd, San Martin, CA 95046.



Make an impact in schools

The [Classified Job Fair](#) began eight years ago in response to the ongoing need of our school districts and charters schools to hire for their open classified positions at their school sites and district offices. This event is an opportunity for qualified candidates to meet with school district hiring administrators. Representatives from school districts come to this central location for a day of interaction with candidates. This event will be held outdoors at our Ridder Park office on Saturday, September 24 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Those interested in the following positions should attend:

- Paraeducators
- Food Service Workers
- Custodians
- Drivers (all levels)
- Clerical/Administrative Assistants
- Maintenance Workers
- Health Clerks/Health Aides
- Substitutes for the positions listed



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Positive Alternative Recreation Teambuilding Impact

Youth Group Program

Students and student clubs are needed to lead life skills activities, leadership, civic engagement, service, and wellness activities. Join the PARTI Program by contacting (408) 561-4664 or partisquad@yahoo.com

For details visit <https://partiprogram.com/transformation>

2023 SANTA CLARA COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY

Now Recruiting!

- ✓ Serve your community
- ✓ Investigate local agencies
- ✓ **Make a difference today!**

APPLICATION PERIOD
7/11-9/16/22

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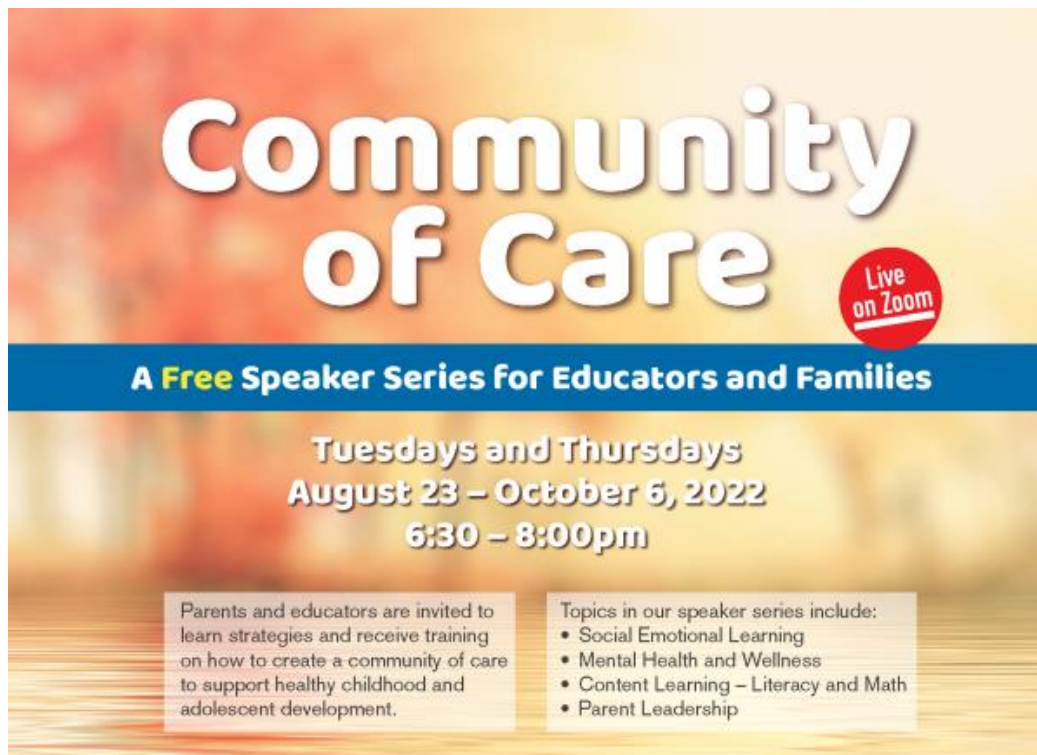
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Applications are open

The Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara is now accepting applications for service on the 2023 Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury. [The application can be found here](#) and can be submitted online to cgj@scscourt.org. The deadline to apply is Friday, September 16.

District News and Resources



Community of Care Live on Zoom

A Free Speaker Series for Educators and Families

**Tuesdays and Thursdays
August 23 – October 6, 2022
6:30 – 8:00pm**

Parents and educators are invited to learn strategies and receive training on how to create a community of care to support healthy childhood and adolescent development.

Topics in our speaker series include:

- Social Emotional Learning
- Mental Health and Wellness
- Content Learning – Literacy and Math
- Parent Leadership

Parent Engagement Series

Welcome to the new 2022-2023 school year! We hope that you and your family are doing well and are transitioning to a new season of hope and wonder for learning new things, a time for facing new challenges and for personal growth. And so, we invite you – parents, caretakers, and educators – to join us in creating a Community of Care to support healthy childhood and adolescent development so that our children can thrive.


Our Family Engagement Symposium, Community of Care, is a FREE virtual speaker series on Zoom. For the next several weeks, our speakers will share a plethora of topics with you in several languages. To check out the workshop descriptions, learn about our speakers, and to register for our event, please visit our event website at <https://sccoe.to/PEPCoC>.

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY'S
YOUTH TASK FORCE
IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!**

Members must be:

- Residents of Santa Clara County
- In 8th to 12th grade
- Ready to commit to two weekday evening meetings a month
- Excited to discuss how to make the County better

SWIPE TO HEAR FROM A FORMER YOUTH TASK FORCE MEMBER!




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I thoroughly enjoyed my experience on the YTF. While at the beginning I had no idea what the county government did, I gained an appreciation for the important work local governments do – even if it's not flashy or glamorous. It was also a great experience working with other students who were also deeply passionate about civic engagement and making an impact on the issues that affect young people.

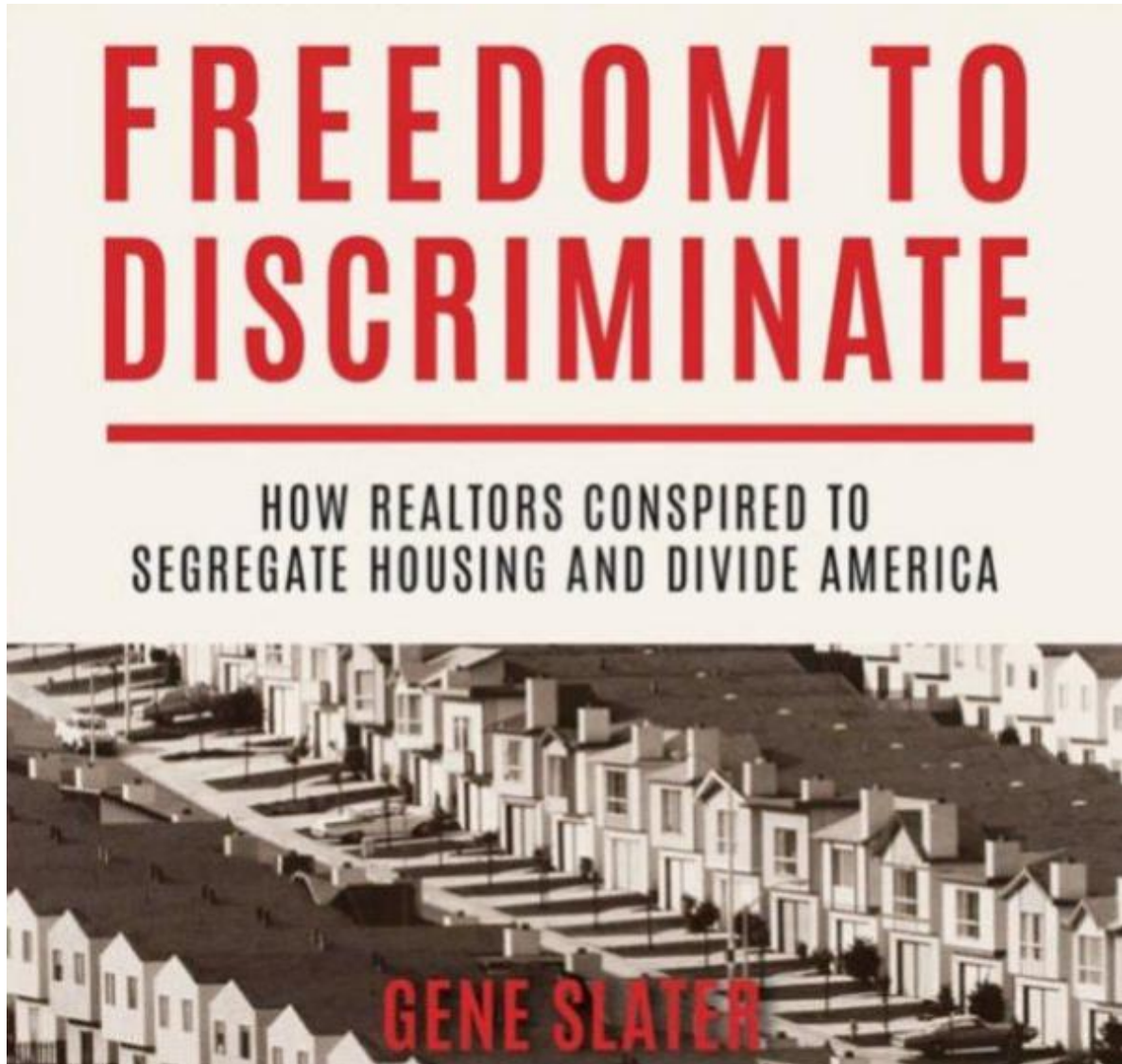
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- Winston Li, Former YTF Member



Join the Youth Task Force

The [Youth Task Force \(YTF\)](#) is a group of youth in grades 8-12 who gather to make a difference in their community. This Commission meets twice a month to discuss what is going on in the community and how they can advocate for other youth. This group is appointed by one of the Board of Supervisors. (To learn more about each of the Supervisor, and find yours, visit: [Elected Officials - Official Website - County of Santa Clara \(sccgov.org\)](#))



Free history program

Author Gene Slater discusses his book, *Freedom to Discriminate*, in which he uncovers realtors' definitive role in segregating America. Drawing on confidential documents from leaders of the real estate industry, Slater reveals how realtors systematically created and justified residential segregation.

[Register here to view the free program.](#)

Every child deserves a champion – an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be.

RITA PIERSON

Champions for children


Health & Wellness

DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know?

Did you know getting those eyes, ears, mouths (and toes) checked is important for school enrollment? To view the common health assessments needed to enroll in early learning programs and school, visit [Steps To Success](#).



**ENDING
THE
SILENCE**

**Bringing mental health education to your
community.**

August 25th @ 6PM - ETS for School Staff

Register today: bit.ly/namiets

Mental Health Education for Youth

NAMI Ending the Silence (ETS) is a free prevention and early intervention program that engages students in a discussion about mental health. This 50-minute in-school presentation is designed for middle and high school students. To register, visit bit.ly/namiets

 <h3>TALK</h3> <p>Talk with your children about their mental health. Make topics around mental health, stress, anxiety, fear and feelings common in your home and in your child's life.</p> <p>#weALLhavementalhealth</p>	 <h3>TRUST</h3> <p>Trust your gut; you know your child best! If you believe your child is struggling or needs help, trust that feeling.</p> <p>#NoHealthWithoutMentalHealth</p>	 <h3>ROLE MODEL</h3> <p>Show your children it is ok to talk about and care for their mental health by taking care of yourself.</p> <p>#ChildrensMentalHealthMatters</p>
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MENTAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

What Parents Can Do

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH, FFCMH.ORG • THE YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT, YMHPROJECT.ORG

 <h3>ASK FOR HELP</h3> <p>Get a referral to a mental health specialist, if needed. Provide your child with every opportunity to receive treatment and support – just as you would for a broken arm or a fever.</p>	 <h3>CONNECT</h3> <p>You are not alone; 1 in 5 children experiences a mental health condition. Connect with other families who can offer support, help and resources.</p>	 <h3>TEAM UP</h3> <p>Build a team with the professionals and child-serving systems involved in your child's life. An open and honest dialogue with teachers, coaches, doctors and others will give them the information they need to support your child.</p>
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Mental Health Resource

About the Santa Clara County Office of Education

Working collaboratively with school and community partners, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is a regional service agency that provides instructional, business, and technology services to the 31 school districts of Santa Clara County. The County Office of Education directly serves students through special education programs, alternative schools, Head Start and State Preschool programs, migrant education, and Opportunity Youth Academy. The SCCOE also provides academic and fiscal oversight and monitoring to districts in addition to the 22 Santa Clara County Board of Education authorized charter schools. For more information about the Santa Clara County Office of Education, please visit www.sccoe.org.

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