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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

While every day is a good day to read with your family, the month of November celebrates and encourages family literacy. National Family Literacy Month is an opportunity for families to read and learn together.

The love of reading can start at an early age. Reading aloud to and with children is a great way to support their development and academic success.

Here are some tips to promote literacy at home:

- Set aside designated reading time
- Keep books visible in the home
- Make regular visits to a local library
- Read the book version of a child's favorite movie

If you need a starting point to engage your family in literacy, I encourage you to participate in the Santa Clara County Library District's [November Reading Challenge: Family Stories](#). This month's reading challenge features a booklist and activities for all ages centered around histories and stories passed down through generations.

To prepare for the upcoming 20th anniversary of Silicon Valley Reads, families can get a headstart on reading the adult and youth companion books. This year's theme is "Journey to New Beginnings." Each book shares the journey of a character, whether that be a physical journey to a new place and/or a journey to self-discovery. You can view the selected books at siliconvalleyreads.org

Together, we can empower families and youth through literacy.



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

We are **#StrongerTogether**.

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

STRIVE for Change: Drawing on Our Strengths Art Challenge



Art Challenge

Deadline extended to 11/30! NICHD's STRIVE for Change: Drawing on Our Strengths Art Challenge is accepting submissions from young artists aged 16-25 that focus on one or more communities that experience health disparities. Are you up for the challenge? For details, visit [STRIVE for Change](#)

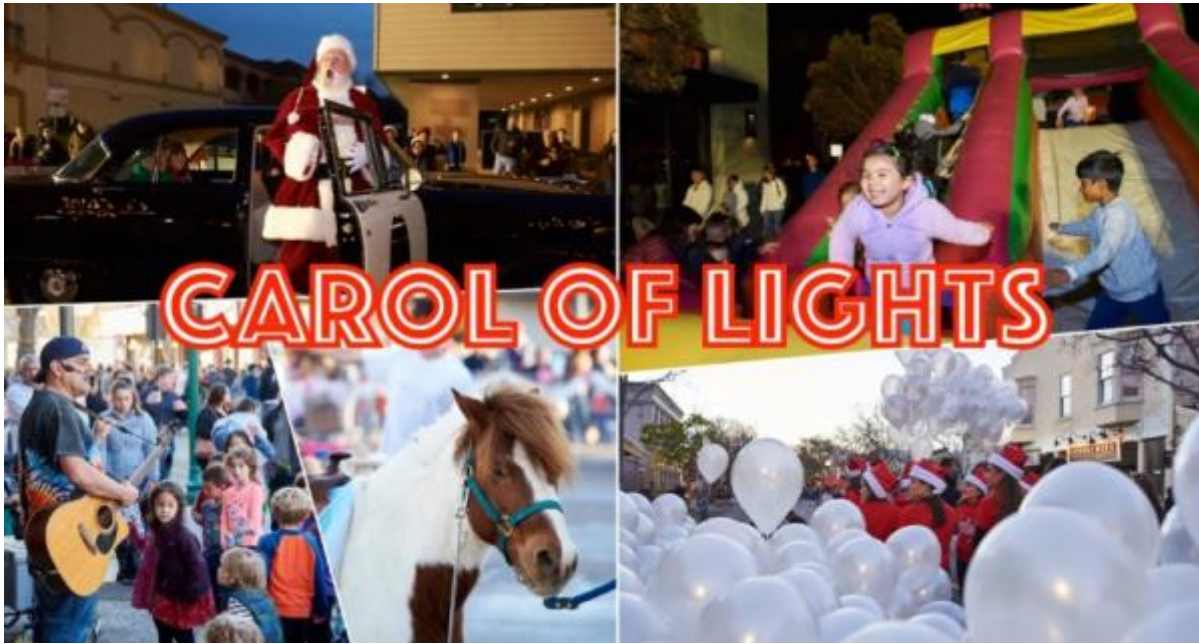


Reading Challenge

There's still time to join our November reading challenge.

Sign up through [Beanstack](#), log your reading and check out some of the featured activities.

The theme is Family Stories. Find our recommended reads for children, teens and adults.



Family holiday event

Come to the streets of Downtown Campbell for the annual Carol of Lights celebration on Saturday, December 3 at 3 p.m. The Carol of Lights is a free, non-commercial and family-oriented event for the community to help kick off the holiday season. It's a fun evening for everyone, but especially for the kids. For more information, visit <https://www.downtowncampbell.com/event/2022/12/carol-lights-celebration-campbell>

District News and Resources



**YOUNG ARTIST
SHOWCASE
2023**



Young Artist Showcase


The Santa Clara County Office of Education announces the 2023 Young Artist Showcase. This showcase is open to public school students, grades Pre-kindergarten through 12th grade, in Santa Clara County. Some students will have their artwork accepted into the permanent exhibit of student artwork located within the SCCOE campuses as well as showcased at the virtual Young Artist Showcase Celebration on May 9, 2023, celebrating Arts Education Month in California.

This year's artwork theme, 'Hope in a New Era', encourages youth to reimagine, through the arts and creativity, a new era of creative freedom and expression. This new space in






time can involve a new way of thinking, learning, and interacting with new possibilities and new ways or reinforce meaningful ways to engage with friends, family, work, school, community spaces, and our natural environments.


To submit artwork, visit <https://forms.gle/sshC8NcvKCo8xZMx6>

For more information, visit <https://www.sccoe.org/arts/yas/Pages/2023.aspx>

 **PREVENTING BURNOUT: HOW TO PRIORITIZE MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS**
Tuesday, December 6 at 1 p.m.

The pandemic exasperated work-related stress for educators, administrators, and support staff. As a result, school employees are vulnerable to burnout and attrition now more than ever. This event will highlight the need for local educational agency leaders to prioritize the well-being of their public school employees and provide best practices and strategies to help reduce the extent and impact of stress.

 Tony Thurmond State Superintendent of Public Instruction	 Dr. Diana Ramos California Surgeon General	 Emily Hernandez Director, Employee Assistance Service for Education Los Angeles County Office of Education	 Katarina Roy Schanz Director, Wellness and Engagement Riverside Unified School District	 Amy Blackshaw Behavioral Health Project Director California School-Based Health Alliance	 Tara Gard Chief Talent Officer Oakland Unified School District
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Watch the live-stream on [Facebook.com/CAEducation](https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation) 

Mental health and wellness

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TEAM!**
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**WE ARE
HIRING**

Santa Clara County  Office of Education



BECOME A PART OF **OUR** STORY

We're Hiring

The Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is an organization of diverse talents working together to serve, inspire and promote student and public school success. Our

employees make a difference! To view open positions, visit <https://www.sccoe.org/jobopps/Pages/home.aspx>

Health & Wellness



Dressing for winter

As temperatures cool, here are tips to dress safely and warmly for winter. For more safety tips, visit <https://emergencymanagement.sccgov.org/residents/cold-weather-safety>



RSV in infants and young children

Parents and caregivers: Bringing your little one to a holiday gathering? You, your friends, & your family can help protect your child from getting very sick with respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and other respiratory illnesses:

- Stay home when you are sick
- Stay up to date on flu, COVID-19, and other vaccines
- Wash your hands often
- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- Keep your hands off your face
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Clean and disinfect surfaces

For school-aged children ...



\$500

Every eligible public school student in grades 1-12 will have a CalKIDS account created in their name, with a **deposit of \$500.**



CalKIDS is a program by the State of California.

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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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