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SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

Through education everyone has the opportunity to learn about those who made impacts in American history as advocates, scientists, entrepreneurs and more.

Black History Month serves as a reminder to intentionally recognize and celebrate the contributions of the Black community to American history and culture. The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum curated resources to support communities as we come together to learn about and honor the generations of African Americans who struggled with adversity to achieve full citizenship in American society. Visit [Black History Month](#). It is also a time to acknowledge the challenges the Black community has faced throughout history. As students learn about historic figures during Black History Month, it's important to include age-appropriate conversations about justice, equity, and advocacy.

The [Santa Clara County Library District](#) is hosting multiple events that provide opportunities for communities to learn about Black influential figures throughout history. The library district has also put together a [recommended reading list for families](#) to celebrate Black History Month.

Below is a list of family-friendly resources and reading lists to learn about and celebrate Black History Month:

- [PBS Kids for Parents](#)
- [Central for Racial Justice in Education](#)
- [Anti-Defamation League](#)



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County Superintendent of Schools

- [National Geographic Kids](#)

We are **#StrongerTogether**.

Be well,

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

SCCOE News



SCCOE Newsroom

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

Community News and Resources



2023 State of Education

Thank you for joining Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools, for the 2023 Santa Clara County State of Education on Tuesday, January 31. We are grateful to know you set aside the time to view this significant annual event.

Please visit the Santa Clara County [State of Education webpage](#) which features the State of Education event, [2022-23 IMPACT Brochure](#), and additional resources.

You can watch the State of Education at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sowy9JKDmmA>



EMPOWER HOMEBUYERS

COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA 2016 MEASURE A FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER PROGRAM

First Time Home Buyers

The Santa Clara County Office of Education is partnering with the County of Santa Clara and the Housing Trust of Silicon Valley to help school employees become first-time homebuyers in Santa Clara County.

A Zoom webinar will be hosted on **Wednesday, February 8 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.** This workshop is designed specifically for school employees and educators but is open to other community members. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/EmpowerFeb8>.

For more information about Income Limits and Program Requirements, please visit <https://housingtrustsv.org/empower>.

For questions specific to the Empower Homebuyers SCC program, please contact EmpowerHomebuyersSCC@housingtrustsv.org.



Step into Teaching

Join us for the SCCOE's Virtual Step into Teaching: Opportunities in Silicon Valley Public Schools Event to help you learn and prepare for the joys of a teaching career.

- Discover what is needed to become a teacher
- Learn how to navigate the credentialing process
- Talk with representatives from local universities and teaching programs
- Learn about compensation, benefits, financial aid and retirement

Visit <https://sccoe.to/StepIntoTeaching> to learn more and register.

District News and Resources



Golden State Teacher Grant Program

The California Department of Education is supporting individuals who are obtaining an education to become a teacher, school social worker, school counselor, school psychologist, and school child welfare and attendance official. There are up to \$20,000 in grants available for eligible students. The deadline for this application is April 1, 2024.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.csac.ca.gov/california-golden-state-teacher-grant-gstg-program-0>



Monthly Grant Opportunities



Young Artist Showcase

Every child is an artist. That's why we're excited for the 2023 Young Artist Showcase. This year's artwork theme is "Hope in a New Era". This showcase is open to Santa Clara County public school students, grades pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

You can view last year's winners here: <https://youtu.be/RO8mg3-NnQs>

For more information about the 2023 Young Artist Showcase, visit <https://www.scooe.org/arts/yas>



Narcan Trainings

The SCCOE, in collaboration with the County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services Department, and Santa Clara County Opioid Overdose Prevention Project (SCCOOPP), is hosting several naloxone train-the-trainer events. This training aims to provide school administrators, school nurses, health clerks, and other health personnel the knowledge and tools to train volunteer school staff in the emergency administration of naloxone. School districts will receive Narcan for distribution to school sites after the event. Participating LEAs must adopt a naloxone board policy if they do not already have a board policy in place before registering school personnel for this training. School/district administrators, school nurses, and other health personnel will only need to attend one training event. Registration is required.

Session 1: Thursday, February 2, 2023
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
<https://na.eventscloud.com/735596>

Session 2: Thursday, February 9, 2023
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
<https://na.eventscloud.com/735605>



Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program supports pregnant individuals, new parents and youth up to age five by providing free and healthy eating resources.

Services provided by WIC include: monthly financial assistance to buy healthy foods, connections to healthcare, breastfeeding support, and tips for healthy eating. The WIC Fruits and Vegetables Benefit increase has been extended to September 30, 2023.

To learn more, visit: <https://publichealth.sccgov.org/services/women-infants-and-children-wic>

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Order Free COVID Tests

Get ready for 2023 by having COVID tests available for every person in your family for free. Every household in the U.S. is eligible to order up to 4 free home tests. If you already ordered in the past, you can get more. Order today! <https://www.covidtests.gov/>



February is American Heart Month

February is American Heart Month! During this month, families are encouraged to learn more about how to keep their hearts healthy.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/index.htm>

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 committed to serving, inspiring, and promoting student and public school success. The SCCOE is a premier service organization driven by the core principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, and partnership. For more information about the Santa Clara County Office of Education, please visit www.sccoe.org and follow us @SCCOE on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

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February 2023 Events Calendar

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