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# Message from the SCCOE Superintendent, Dr. Dewan

Hello Everyone-

Change and uncertainty are constants for us all right now. As many of you are aware, the public health department and Governor Newsom announced guidance for the safe reopening of schools this fall. To support this decision, the Department of Public Health developed a framework for school communities as they decide when and how to implement in-person instruction for the 2020-2021 school year. Please visit the Public Health update section of the COVID-19 roundup for the guidance document that includes new



evidence and data about COVID-19 transmission, including variations by age, and the effectiveness of disease control and mitigation strategies that continue to emerge. Recommendations regarding in-person school reopening and closure should be based on the available evidence as well state and local disease trends.

While the classroom setting may look different in the beginning of the school year, our unified focus and priority is the safety and well-being of our community's students, families, and school staff. There are elements of distance learning that are purposeful and yet extremely challenging. With these challenges, we have worked together to overcome many obstacles for our students and their families and are committed in our determination to support districts and schools that help

students progress academically while keeping them engaged and safe. We must all remain vigilant about maintaining healthful hygiene practices, hand washing, wearing face coverings, and maintaining a distance of at least six feet between ourselves and others. A consistent routine of health and hygiene, while adhering to the guidance, is an important habit. Change can also be exhausting and I value your diligence and hard work. Please take time for yourself to rejuvenate, reenergize, and reflect.

Be Well,

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan County Superintendent of Schools

### **Resources for Schools and Districts**

## **Inclusion Collaborative Summer Professional Development Fun**

Stay engaged this summer with the Inclusion Collaborative Professional Development Bingo! Sharpen your knowledge of inclusive practices by choosing from a menu of short learning activities. Every bingo you complete will earn you a raffle ticket for the end-of-summer prize drawings! Summer Skills Sharpening @InclusionCollab 6.8.20.pdf



#### **Inclusion Collaborative Webinars for Administrators**

Tuesday, August 4th at 3:00 pm Zoom Link Password: 379008

Now is the time to clearly articulate your values, vision, and mission. The current crisis has called for an increase in collaboration, innovation, and creativity between school leaders and teachers while addressing the gap in access and inclusion within education. Making sure to address ALL student populations while delivering higher-quality online, asynchronous or blended instruction by the fall will take a huge amount of planning and work -- and it should start soon, if not now.

## **SCCOE Learning Resource Portal**

Everything for teachers in one place. Learn tips and tricks for setting up virtual classrooms, access lesson resources, and take advantage of free professional learning. The resources found on the portal have been created, curated, or reviewed by the Professional Learning & Instructional Support teams at the Santa

Clara County Office of Education. Please check back often on the site as these resources are updated regularly. View the site here.

## **SCCOE Stronger Together**

The Stronger Together - Recovery and Reopening Guide represents preliminary guidance and considerations from the Santa Clara County Office of Education in partnership with Santa Clara County Public Health Department and is provided to inform local decision making processes. As more is learned, the guidance in this document will be updated with the latest recommendations. To find out more please visit the Stronger Together <u>web page</u>.

## California Department of Education-CDE Webinars and Updates



Perspectives on English Language Learning: Aída Walqui in Conversation with Leading Scholars (Series from July 14 to August 20, 2020, at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays)

WestEd presents this free webinar series that will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. (interviews with Australian scholars will be at 3 p.m.) starting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, and concluding on Thursday, August 20, 2020. Teachers, education leaders, teacher educators, teacher professional developers, and researchers are encouraged to attend. Register for each webinar in the series separately at the link below.

Register on the WestEd Perspectives on English Language Learning: Aída Walqui in Conversation with Leading Scholars web page.

## **Upcoming Webinars:**

# Closing the Digital Divide Task Force Hearing (Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 1 p.m.)

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond and leaders of the Closing the Digital Divide Task Force will continue discussions on how to meet the digital needs of our students. The hearing will focus on strategies on how to prepare for distance learning when school opens from the stand point of devices and being digitally prepared as well as provide an update on where we are on our campaign to get more digital devices.

The event will be broadcast on Facebook Live at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation.">https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation.</a>

California State University (CSU) Systemic Inequities Webinar (Friday,

## August 14, 2020, at 10 a.m.)

The CSU is sponsoring a series of four live webinars that are appropriate for all educator preparation faculty, supervisors, and current educators. All live webinars take place from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The webcasts will be recorded.

This webinar is facilitated by Dr. Zulmara Cline, the statewide California Academic Partnership Program director, and focuses on dismantling systemic inequities in our schools and building schools that work for all students.

Register on the CSU Educator Preparation and Public School Programs Live Webcasts Registration page at <a href="https://bit.ly/CSUwebinars.">https://bit.ly/CSUwebinars.</a>

## **CSU Retaining Educators of Color Webinar**

(Friday, August 21, 2020, at 10 a.m.)

The CSU is sponsoring a series of four live webinars that are appropriate for all educator preparation faculty, supervisors, and current educators. All live webinars take place from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The webcasts will be recorded.

This webinar is facilitated by Dr. Ernest Black, the Systemwide Director for CalState TEACH, and focuses on lessons learned from the field.

Register on the CSU Educator Preparation and Public School Programs Live Webcasts Registration page <u>here</u>.

#### **Future Virtual Classroom Events:**

## Tuesday, July 28, 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Native American Studies with Assemblymember James C. Ramos, co-founder of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians' Cultural Awareness Program and director of the California Indian Cultural Awareness Conference at California State University, San Bernardino.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN mzKXDmHpRMublYksjmoViQ

#### California Collaborative for Educational Excellence Webinars



## **Upcoming Webinars**

#### **Past Webinars:**

\*Planning for Hybrid Learning with an Equity Lens <u>Video, Slides</u>, <u>Playbooks</u>

- \*The Right Thing, Time & Way: Designing the Distance Learning Experience Video and Worksheets
- \*Our Best Thinking Now: Re-Framing for the Distance Learning Ecosystem Video, Worksheets, References
- \*A Bias Towards Action: Co-creating the Distance Learning Experience Video and Worksheets
- \*Enough and In Time: Delivering the Distance Learning Experience <u>Video</u> and <u>Worksheets</u>
- \*Iterating to Innovate: Refining the Distance Learning Ecosystem <a href="Video">Video</a> and <a href="Worksheets">Worksheets</a>
- \*Supporting Families and Communities in Distance Learning Video, Slides, References
- \*Maintaining High Levels of Parent/Family Engagement During Distance Learning Video and Resources
- \*Virtually Engaging Stakeholders in Decision Making: COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond Video, and Slides
- \*Distance Learning and EL Students with Disabilities Video, Slides, References
- \*Making Distance Learning Accessible to Students with Disabilities Part 1 Video and Slides
- \*Making Distance Learning Accessible to Students with Disabilities Part 2 Video, Slides, References

# K-12 Online Teaching Academy from the Connie L. Lurie College of Education at San Jose State

Connie L. Lurie College of Education has established a free K-12 Online Teaching Academy to support pre-service teacher candidates and current teachers to strengthen their online teaching skills and adapt to current circumstances. Each webinar will feature a 60-minute presentation and conversation on a different topic with a current educator and include 30-minutes for attendees to engage in conversation with one another to expand their knowledge, resources, and networks.

<u>Upcoming Webinar Details</u> <u>Register to Attend the Webinars</u> <u>Watch the Webinar Recordings</u>

# **Resources for Addressing Racial Inequity**

## Creating the Space to Talk About Race in Your School

This four page article from the National Education Association Ed Justice gives 10 ways you can create the space to talk about



racism in your school. Creating the space is the first step to making changes.

#### **Black Lives Matter at School**

The national Black Lives Matter At School coalition's created a Curriculum Resource guide related to the 13 principles of Black Lives Matter. The resource guide is free, and has downloadable lessons to challenge racism, oppression and build happy and healthy classrooms. Click <a href="here">here</a> for the guide.

## D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice A Project of Teaching for Change



The mission statement from D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice: D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice is a network of educators who seek to strengthen and deepen social justice teaching. We are community of mutual support for educators to collaborate on curriculum, professional learning, and activism. We challenge systems of oppression through anti-bias, anti-racist, and multicultural education. We work with students, families, and

other educators in and outside of our classrooms to create a more just and equitable world.

# The Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture

The Smithsonian launched Talking About Race, a new <u>online portal</u> designed to help individuals, families, and communities talk about racism, racial identity and the way these forces shape every aspect of society, from the economy and politics to the broader American culture.

The online portal provides digital tools, online exercises, video instructions, scholarly articles and more than 100 multi-media resources tailored for educators, parents and caregivers—and individuals committed to racial equality.



## **Teaching for Tolerance**

Cultivate positive identity formation, encourage students to confront racial and ethnic injustice, and prepare them to live and work together in a diverse world. Resources and webinars can be found on the Teaching for Tolerance webpage.



## **Talking to Young Children about Race and Racism**



Resources, tips, and tools to foster meaningful conversations about race, racism, and being anti-racist from PBS. To learn more click here.

21 Anti-Racism videos to share with children from We are Teachers.

#### **Book List to Support Conversations About Race with Children**

Embracerace.org has a list of 31 books to help support conversations about race with children. Click <u>here</u> to find out more information. Young adult social justice book list click <u>here</u>.

# **Public Health Updates**

#### **CDC** Guidance

Emerging evidence suggests a significant number of people may be infected with COVID-19 who are asymptomatic and capable of spreading the virus to others. People are now considered to be infectious 48 hours before the start of their symptoms until their isolation period ends. This makes social distancing and frequent hand washing even more critical.

- CDC guidance:COVID-19 Symptoms
- CDC guidance: COVID-19 Protection

## **California Department of Health Updates**

On June 5, 2020 the CDH released it's COVID-19 Industry Guidance for Schools and School-based programs. To find out more click <u>here</u>.

## **Santa Clara County Health Department**

The Santa Clara County Health Department's risk reduction order took effect on Monday, July 13th. To find out more click <u>here</u>.

- School Reopening Guidance Schools Reopening Recommendations.pdf
- Santa Clara County Health Department: FAQs
- Santa Clara County Health Department: COVID 19-Dashboard
- Spanish
- Vietnamese
- Guidance for all Businesses here
- Tips for keeping customers and employees safe <a href="here">here</a>.

## **Guidance on Face Coverings**

The Santa Clara County Health Department requires you to wear a face covering whenever you are at a business (even if it's an outdoor business) as an employee or a customer, and whenever you are on public transit. Businesses must post signs reminding you to wear a face covering when you are at their facilities. At all



other times when you are out in public, you are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering.

Please <u>click on this link</u> for more valuable information and guidance about face coverings from the Santa Clara County Health Department.

An emergency care doctor explains when to wear a face mask, and how to do it the right way. Watch the video <u>here</u>.

## **Free COVID-19 Testing Sites**

With more than 50 sites open across Santa Clara County, the Public Health Department continues to help more people get tested for COVID-19. To find a location near you click <u>here</u>.

<u>Educator testing</u>: In partnership with Valley Medical, educator testing is scheduled for July 21 and July 22, 2020 from 10:00am – 3:00pm. Testing is available for any educator staff from any school within Santa Clara County. No prior registration is required and there are no fees. Testing is at the Santa Clara County Office of Education 1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose 95131.

## County of Santa Clara Service Center Auditorium

1555 Berger Drive, San Jose, CA 95112 Tuesday to Thursday, July 21-23, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. No testing at this site on Friday, July 24.

## San Jose High School Cafeteria

275 N. 24th Street, San Jose, CA 95116 Tuesday to Friday, July 21-24, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 25, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

# South County Annex (formerly Antonio Del Buono Elementary).

9300 Wren Avenue, Gilroy, CA 95020 Tuesday to Friday, July 21-24, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

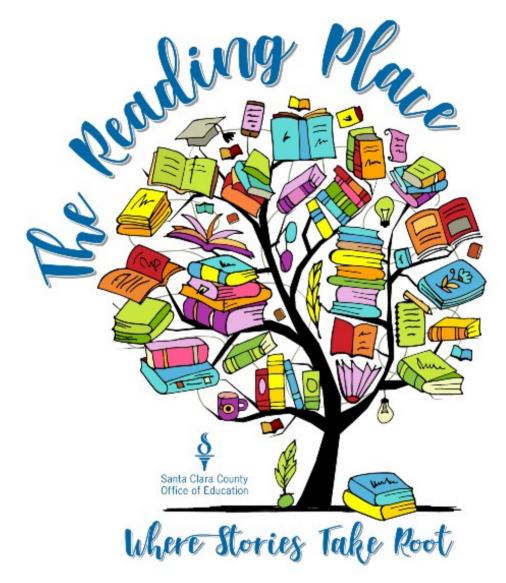


# **Social Distancing Protocols**

All Essential Businesses are required to prepare, post, and implement a <u>Social Distancing Protocol</u> at each of their facilities at which they are maintaining operations. Please read the complete order from the Santa Clara County Health Department. To help protect yourself if you are out in public remain a minimum of six feet in distance from others, use face coverings, and wash your hands as frequently as possible.

### **Resources for Families**

## The Reading Place by the Santa Clara County Office of Education



The Reading Place, where SCCOE employees, partners, and friends promote reading aloud, and share their lifelong love of reading. Check out the many stories by clicking <u>here</u>.

# **Summer Programs offered by the San Jose Library**

The San Jose Library has a variety of options to keep children engaged over the summer through there Summer Learning Program. The program runs June 1st-July 31st. Click <a href="here">here</a> to learn more.

#### **Great Plates Delivered**

The "Great Plates Delivered" program connects older adults across California to meal delivery services. Santa Clara County seniors and other adults at high risk from COVID-19 can access the program at <a href="mailto:mysourcewise.com">mysourcewise.com</a> or by calling 408-

350-3230 (option 1). For more information visit siliconvalleystrong.org

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR GPD

Participant Eligibility Requirements (coordinated by Sourcewise):

 Must be 65 or older or high-risk. High-risk includes those who are COVID-19 positive, COVID-19 exposed as documented by a public health official or medical professional or individuals with an underlying condition



- Must live alone or with one (1) program-eligible adult; must not be currently receiving assistance from other federal nutrition assistance programs
- Receive no more than \$74,940 in income for a household of one (1) and \$101,460 for a household of two (2), this equates to 600% of the federal poverty limit
- Must affirm an inability to prepare or obtain meals

#### San José Virtual Recreation Center Information

The Virtual Recreation Center from the City of San José's Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) provides free online educational and recreational resources for families during the shelter-in-place. This includes ways to socially connect through livestream leisure classes; videos to explore beloved PRNS destinations like Happy Hollow Park & Zoo; creative outlets in cooking, drawing and making music; and activities to care for your physical and mental health through exercise, sports and guided meditation. Visit the City's Virtual Recreation Center for daily activities and over a hundred fun resources: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/sjvirtualrec">bit.ly/sjvirtualrec</a>.

# Community Resources for Youth, Families, and Individuals Impacted by COVID-19

If you, a family member or someone you know has been impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and need food assistance, health services, financial help, legal assistance or other support services, there are some available resources that can help. Many of the services are available to all members of our community, regardless of ability to pay or immigration status. Please click <a href="here">here</a> to find out more.

## **California Parent and Youth Helpline**

The California Parent and Youth Helpline provides support and resource referrals to parent and youth during the current COVID-19 pandemic, 7-days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Call or text 1-855-4APARENT (855-427-2736) for services

in English, Spanish and other languages. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://caparentyouthhelpline.org/">https://caparentyouthhelpline.org/</a>

## **Uplift Family Services**

The <u>Uplift Family Services' Mobile Crisis Team</u> provides 24-hour intervention to children and teens in the community who are in acute psychological crisis. To access the 24-hour/7 days a week crisis line call 1-408-379-9085 or call toll-free 1-877-41-CRISIS (412-7474).

### **Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)**

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) is part of the federal government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. For information and FAQ's about FFCRA please use the links provided. Information and FAQ's

### **Meal Resources for the Community**

Throughout Santa Clara County there are a variety of resources available to the community. Please visit SCCOE's <u>webpage</u> to see local districts' meal distribution, as well as the City of San Jose's Silicon Valley Strong <u>page</u> that has a map of meal availability across the county.

# **News from the Santa Clara County Office of Education**



Notice of County Committee on School District Organization
Vacancy and Intent to Fill the Vacancy by Appointment

Statement of the County of Santa Clara Regarding the Governor's Announcement

#### 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.









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