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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

Making a difference in students' lives is a guiding light for employees of the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE). The dedication staff exemplify is remarkable.

Make a Difference to Children Month in July highlights the many ways to make a positive impact in the life of a child.

If you're passionate about working with other professionals who care deeply about students' success, consider applying to work at the SCCOE. There are positions at every level with multiple areas of interest. Certificated positions are for those who have specific credentials for more specialized positions such as teachers, school nurses, counselors, and psychologists. Classified staff are those who have positions such as human resources (HR), paraprofessionals, accountants, bus drivers, maintenance, administrative assistants, and custodial staff. Substitute positions are more flexible options in just about every department. To learn more about positions currently available, visit:

<https://www.edjoin.org/sccoe>

Another way to make a difference is by becoming a resource family for foster youth. A resource family is an individual, couple or family who chooses to provide care to a child who is a part of the foster care system. To learn more about how to become a Resource Family visit:

<https://socialservices.sccgov.org/other-services/choose-be-resource-family>

Did you know that Second Harvest of Silicon Valley hosts 160 locations between Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties that distribute food to families during the summer to offset the meals students would typically receive at school? Each location is in need of volunteers



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just like you. To learn more about how to volunteer, visit:
<https://www.shfb.org/give-help/volunteer/>

There are several options when deciding to make a difference to children. Each effort to help youth, no matter the size, helps.

We are **#StrongerTogether**

Be well,

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County Superintendent of Schools

SCCOE News



SCCOE Newsroom

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

Community News and Resources



Free Park Entry July 29

The Santa Clara County Parks are offering free park entry on July 29. There are 342 miles of parks to explore and 52,000+ acres that are protected in the county. Everyone can enjoy the park for fun activities outdoors because everyone belongs at Santa Clara County parks.

To learn more about activities at the parks or where your nearest County park is, visit: <https://parks.sccgov.org/home>



Step into an Education Career

Join us for the SCCOE's Step into an Education Career Event to help you learn and prepare for the joys of a career in education.

- Discover what is needed to become a teacher, counselor, school nurse, speech-language pathologist, and audiologist.
- Learn how to navigate the credentialing process
- Talk with representatives from local universities and teaching programs.
- Learn about compensation, benefits, financial aid, and retirement.

To learn more or register, visit: www.sccoe.org/educationcareer



Biking Basics

The Santa Clara Library District is hosting a biking basics workshop in Gilroy on July 29 at 10:30 a.m. Attendees will learn how to choose the right bike, bike security, road safety, and more! A Spanish presentation will be at 12:30 p.m.

To learn more or register, visit:

<https://sccl.bibliocommons.com/events/646519a165e9014900d62b5a>

District News and Resources



Gender Spectrum Inclusive Schools Network

The SCCOE will host the Gender Spectrum Inclusive Schools Network August 1-4 and August 10. This free, virtual support system is for school staff to connect about making schools a safe environment for all youth to express themselves and be who they are.

To learn more or register, visit:

<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=750450>



Teaching with Current Events Self-Paced Workshop

Facing History and Ourselves is providing a free, virtual training for educators regarding teaching with current events. This self-paced training is active until June 2024.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://www.facinghistory.org/learning-events/teaching-current-events-self-paced-workshop>



Grant Opportunities for Educators

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

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

Health & Wellness



Mental Health Matters

The Santa Clara County Library District is hosting a series around mental health access in Santa Clara County. With partners such as the County of Santa Clara Health System, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Santa Clara County, and Bay Area Legal Aid (BayLegal) to provide critical information about accessing care for mental health.

To learn more, visit: <https://scclld.org/news/santa-clara-county-library-district-hosting-event-series-around-mental-health-access/>



Mosquito Week

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention is honoring Mosquito Week by sharing information about mosquitos, how to prevent mosquito bites, and mosquito control in your home.

To learn more about mosquitos or mosquito week, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/mosquitoes/>



Office of the California Surgeon General Safe Spaces Training

The Office of the California Surgeon General has a Safe Spaces Training available for educators and other school staff. This training was created to educate about trauma and stress in children and how to respond.

To learn more or complete the training, visit: <https://osg.ca.gov/safespaces/>

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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