



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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

This Saturday, August 26, is recognized as Women's Equality Day. In 1919, this was the day women were officially permitted to vote. Today, this is an opportunity to discuss and celebrate the contributions of women and how to create a more equitable environment for everyone. I am reminded of a quote from Michelle Obama, "No country can ever truly flourish if it stifles the potential of its women and deprives itself of the contributions of half its citizens."

According to the Census, 168 million people across the nation identified as females in 2021. In Santa Clara County specifically, more than 900,000 of the individuals in the county identified as female. The county provides opportunities for advocacy and leadership that improve the inclusion of women in all spaces of the greater community. County offices such as the Office of Women's Policy and the Office of Gender-Based Violence address inequities and take action to create equitable environments.

Creating and maintaining inclusive, collaborative, and equitable work and learning spaces is a core value for the Santa Clara County Office of Education. The SCCOE provides a variety of programs and initiatives to support educators and engage students in reaching their maximum potential. These include:

- The Inclusion Collaborative engages with educators, families, and community to ensure inclusive programs and practices for youth of all abilities (<http://www.inclusioncollaborative.org/>).
- Artspiration provides options for youth to freely express themselves in multiple artistic mediums (<https://sccoe.to/artspiration>).
- My Name, My Identity encourages youth to be who they are and have their name and heritage on display with their name and correct pronunciation (<https://www.mynamemyidentity.org/>).



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- Steps to Success to help families find childcare and early learning programs so youth start school strong (<https://sccoe.to/STS>)
- LGBTQ+ youth support promotes safe, inclusive, and welcoming communities (<https://sccoe.to/LGBTQ>).

When we all come together to ensure the success of all of our youth, we are all bound to excel.

We are #StrongerTogether.

Be well,

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SCCOE News



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

Community News and Resources



National Voter Registration Day Event

The County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters will host their National Voter Registration Day event on September 19 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Paypal Inc. located at 2161 N. 1st Street, San Jose. This event will have food, booths, games, activities and more!

To learn more, visit: <https://sccvote.sccgov.org/get-involved/outreach#1849274314-3057182408>



The Gates Scholarship

The Gates Scholarship is a scholarship for minority high school seniors from low-income households to help lower the barriers for youth dedicated to attending college. The scholarship is for student leaders to help them maximize their potential by attending university. The deadline to apply is September 15.

To learn more or apply, visit: <https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/>



Silicon Valley Pride

Join the SCCOE at the Silicon Valley Pride Parade and Festival on August 27. The event has a variety of festivities on August 26 and August 27 and is a celebration of LGBTQ+ friends, family, and community members.

To learn more visit: <https://www.svpride.com/>

See you there!

*There is a cost associated with this event**

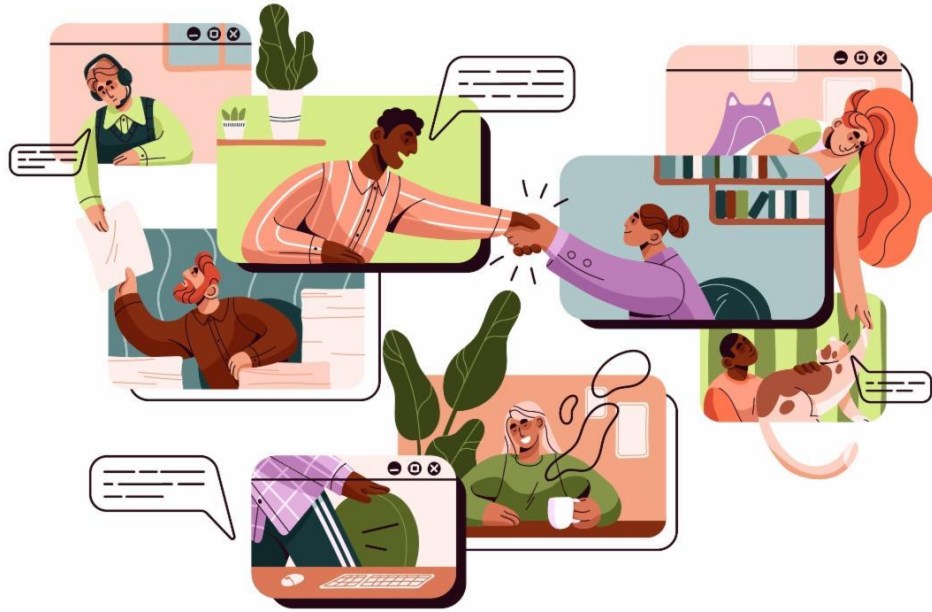


Picnic by the Lake

Senator Dave Cortese is hosting Picnic by the Lake on September 30 at Hellyer County Park, at 985 Hellyer Ave. in San Jose, CA, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Entry for this event is free and there will be food, music, performances, resources and more!

To learn more, visit: <https://sd15.senate.ca.gov/event/join-us-picnic-lake-multicultural-festival-and-resource-fair>

School District News and Resources



23-24 TOSA & Instructional Coaches Network Meeting

TK-12 teachers on special assignment (TOSAs), mentors and coaches are invited to join the SCCOE on August 28 at the SCCOE Ridder Park location. During this network meeting, TOSAs and instructional coaches will develop leadership skills, expand coaching toolbox, learn more about how to support teachers, and network with other instructional leaders.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://na.eventsccloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=754247&&>



Educator Preparation Programs





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The SCCOE's Educator Preparation Program (EPP) is seeking applications for the programs listed below:

- Teacher Induction Credential: August 25
- Clear Administrative Services Credential (CASC): September 30

The EPP is an SCCOE program to guide educators to achieve credentials. There are opportunities to receive financial support which the EPP can support.

To learn more or apply, visit: <https://eppscholar.sccoe.org/other/applications.jsp>



Foundations of Equitable Grading

Coming September 1, the SCCOE will be offering an online, self-paced course for Foundations of Equitable Grading. In this training, attendees will reflect on current grading practices and how they support students, explore equitable grading practices and how it impacts students, and more. This course has the opportunity to earn semester units. This training is available until December 31.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://na.eventscloud.com/760493>

**There is a cost associated with this training.*



Grant Opportunities for Educators

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

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

Health and Wellness

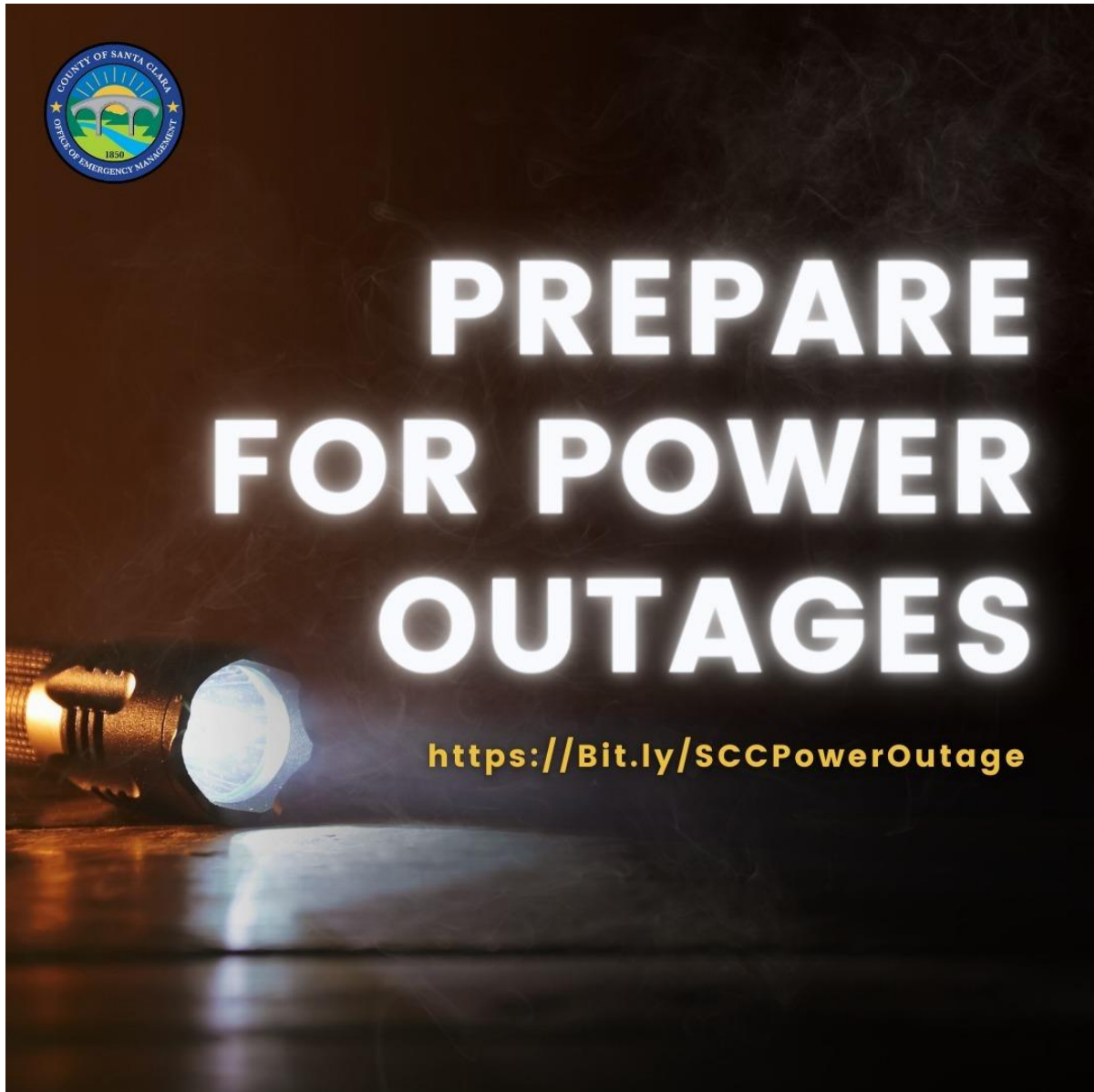


Opioid Overdose Presentation

The Santa Clara County Library District and Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services Department are hosting Opioid Overdose Prevention trainings at libraries across Santa Clara County. In this training, you will learn how to recognize an opioid overdose and how to safely administer Naloxone (Narcan). Dates for this training vary.

To view all upcoming dates,

visit: <https://sccl.bibliocommons.com/v2/events?q=Opioid%20Overdose%20Prevention>



Prepare for Power Outages

As the weather warms up and winds are high, power outages are more common. The Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Management has provided information and resources for residents to prepare for power outages.

To view the resources, visit: <https://Bit.ly/SCCPowerOutage>



Back to School Resources

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has resources for families with children going back to school.

To view these resources, visit: www.cdc.gov/parents/children/back-to-school.html

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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