



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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

From September 15 to October 15, National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated in the United States. This is a time to celebrate and educate oneself about the people of Hispanic heritage who have contributed to the history of the United States.

According to Census.gov, almost 500,000 of the people living in Santa Clara County are Hispanic or Latino. In our schools specifically, over 90,000 of our youth were Hispanic/Latino identifying in the 2021-22 school year. This is by far the largest ethnic group in Santa Clara County.

Santa Clara County has been positively impacted by Hispanic advocates for many years. Advocates like civil rights trailblazers Cesar Chavez and Dolores Clara Fernández Huerta are integral to Santa Clara County's history and those who live in the county today.

Here are some resources to learn more about the history and heritage of the Hispanic community:

- The Library of Congress
- <https://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/about.html>
- Smithsonian Latino Museum
- <https://www.si.edu/events/hispanic-heritage-month>
- San Jose Public Library
- <https://sjpl.bibliocommons.com/list/share/1481285649/1728088449>
- Santa Clara County Library District
- <https://scclld.org/blogs/post/a-collection-of-films-for-hispanic-heritage-month/>

By celebrating and uplifting others, we are able to learn more about ourselves and our community.

We are #StrongerTogether.

Be well,

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

- [Community Leaders and Parents Urge California Governor to Sign Senate Bill 10 Melanie's Law](#)
- [Help Families Keep Their Medi-Cal Coverage](#)

Community News and Resources



Classified Job Fair

The SCCOE's Annual Classified Job Fair will take place on September 23 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at 1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose. This is an opportunity for candidates to meet with school districts to discuss current open classified positions, including: custodians, drivers, health clerks, maintenance workers, and more.

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



Santa Clara County Library District Volunteering

The Santa Clara County Library District is looking for volunteers who are willing to provide homework help to students in grades K-6 in the topics of Math, Science, and English. Volunteer tutors must be at least 14 years old, available at least one day (Monday-Thursday) from 4 – 5:30 p.m., and commit to a full semester. Adults will be background checked, and all tutors must attend required training.

Training includes pre-assessment and post-assessment, welcome and best practices, cultural competency, mentorship, learning expectations, and general tutoring support. There will also be an orientation.

If you're ready to volunteer and help students with homework, please fill out our online application form: <https://scclid.org/volunteer/#sign>

SAFE COMMUNITIES SUMMIT

BUILDING RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERING YOUTH AND FAMILIES



**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23**
8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.



INDEPENDENCE HIGH SCHOOL
617 N JACKSON AVE.
SAN JOSE, CA 95133



Annual Safe Communities Summit

The Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Department's San José Youth Empowerment Alliance (SJ YEA) is hosting the annual Safe Communities Summit. This is an opportunity for City of San Jose representatives, local non-profits, and San Jose residents to come together to grow partnerships that help make San Jose safe and fun for people of all ages.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/parks-recreation-neighborhood-services/youth-intervention-services/safe-communities-summit>

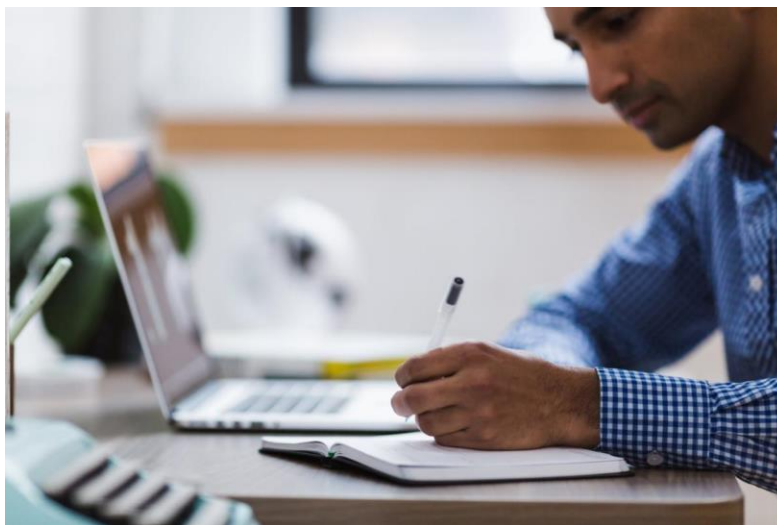


2023 Mid Autumn Festival

The 2023 Mid Autumn Festival is taking place on September 23 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Vietnamese American Cultural Center. This event will have games for the whole family, arts and crafts, and entertainment including lion dances and treats. Everyone is invited.

To learn more or register, visit: www.bit.ly/trungthu23

School District News and Resources



Foundations of Equitable Grading

The SCCOE is 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.*



Environmental Literacy Leadership Collaborative

Join the Environmental Literacy Leadership Collaborative, a network of Community Based Partner organizations and Educators that will continue to explore ways to infuse environmental literacy into classrooms, schools, and districts.

The next virtual meeting is September 21 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=754620&>



2023-2024 TOSA & Instructional Coaches Network Meeting

TK-12 teachers on special assignment (TOSAs), mentors and coaches are invited to join the SCCOE on September 25 virtually. 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.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=754247&>



School-based Billing Professional Learning Network

The SCCOE invites school-based billing coordinators and other LEA staff involved or interested in school-based billing to join their virtual learning network. In this monthly session, attendees can gain insight about different programs and billing models, understand the steps to develop and implement a school-based billing program, and more.

Space is limited. The next session is September 26. Register here: www.sccoe.to/CaliforniaPLN

Health and Wellness

A blue poster for an "EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FAIR". The text is in yellow and white. It includes the date "SEPT. | 23RD | 2023", the time "9:00 AM - 1:00 PM", and the location "COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA ANIMAL SERVICES AGENCY, 12425 MONTEREY RD, SAN MARTIN, CA 95046". It also provides a website for more information: "WWW.PREPARESCC.ORG/FAIR". A small circular logo of the County of Santa Clara is in the top right corner. At the bottom, there is a stylized illustration of a city skyline with various buildings in white and yellow.

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Emergency Preparedness Fair

The Office of Emergency Management is hosting its first Emergency Preparedness Fair which will provide an opportunity for County departments and partner organizations to provide resources to the community. This is an opportunity to ask questions and receive important resources.

To learn more about this event, visit: www.preparescc.org/fair



988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Did you know that the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline recently launched American Sign Language services for those who are hard of hearing or deaf? Users can call 1-800-273-8255 from their videophone to reach ASL services. Soon users will be able to dial 988 to reach ASL services via videophone.

To learn more about 988, visit: <https://988lifeline.org/current-events/the-lifeline-and-988/>



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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