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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

Life post-graduation can be intimidating for young adults. Having conversations early and often about pathways after high school can help youth create a vision for what they hope to accomplish in the next chapter of their life.

Encouraging students to learn about all options available to them, such as college, is a great place to start. During College Week, October 23-27, students can learn about the different aspects of college from financial assistance, the application process, selecting an area of study, and more.

It's never too early to think about and discuss financial assistance to pursue higher education. Financial resources such as scholarships, grants, and loans can alleviate some of the cost of college. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a great place to start. To learn more about FAFSA, visit: <https://studentaid.gov/>

To support students in their academic journey, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) will host a series of workshops, guest speakers, and college fairs for families and students to learn more about college. To learn more or register, visit: <https://sccoe.to/CollegeWeek>

Together, we can help students feel excited and confident about a pathway to college.

We are #StrongerTogether.

Be well,

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



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SCCOE News



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

- [SCCOE YouTube Channel](#)
- [Santa Clara County Office of Education Expands Special Education at South County Annex in Gilroy for Students with Disabilities in Gilroy and Morgan Hill](#)

Community News and Resources

INCLUSION COLLABORATIVE

Santa Clara County Office of Education

INCLUSIONEERS INNOVATE!

Early-Bird pricing through July 31!

10th Annual Conference | October 24-26, 2023

innovation & creativity
early childhood care & education
equity & inclusive practices
universal design for learning
anti-bias & social justice

Inclusion Collaborative State Conference

The Inclusion Collaborative State Conference is a hybrid, three-day professional development opportunity focused on creating or enhancing equity, diversity, and inclusive practices. It is focused on all individuals involved in the care and education of individuals up to age 24, with or without disabilities.

To learn more, visit: <http://bit.ly/2023ICSC>



5th Annual Federal Financial Aid Virtual Bootcamp

The United States Department of Education will host a virtual series of workshops to provide families with information about how to prepare and apply for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Attendees will also learn about repayment options, tools to prevent federal student loan default, and tools to compare universities.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/5th-annual-federal-financial-aid-virtual-bootcamp-tickets-694784287507>

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RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS

Tools to help choose a college, apply, pay, and succeed after you go to college. Checklists, webinars, and articles to guide you through the college journey.

RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

Lesson plans, activities, and webinars for each grade level to promote a college-going mindset for all students.

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Santa Clara County Office of Education

College Week

Join us online from October 23 to 27 for College Week. This year's theme is, "Mission: Future-Ready!"

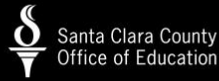
Attend our engaging and informative online sessions for students, educators, and families. Learn about:

- financial resources to make college affordable for ALL students
- how community college may be the right place to start for you
- ways to access and navigate the CSU and UC systems
- and about specific supports for students with unique needs.

Follow the link to register and to gain access to pre-recorded sessions and free resources to support your class or your college journey: <https://sccoe.to/CollegeWeek>

School District News and Resources

Save *the* Date



53rd Annual Teacher Recognition Celebration

Monday, October 23, 2023

Teacher Recognition Celebration

Districts within Santa Clara County are encouraged to attend the 53rd Annual Teacher Recognition Celebration on October 23 at the Campbell Heritage Theater. This event honors and celebrates teachers within our county.

To learn more, visit: www.sccoe.org/trc



Foundations of Equitable Grading

The SCCOE offers 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.*



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 October 24. Register here: www.sccoe.to/CaliforniaPLN



Network Improvement Community

The California Collaborative for Learning (CCLA) will host a free in-person network improvement community series for Santa Clara County educators on November 2. This is an opportunity for 3rd through fifth grade teams to participate in professional learnings, networking sessions, and personalized coaching from a CCLA math or literacy expert.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://scoec.to/CCLA-NIC>

Health and Wellness



Mental Health First Aid Training

Momentum for Health will host a Mental Health First Aid training for youth over Zoom on November 13 and 20 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. This training is free for anyone 18 and older. You must attend both sessions to complete the training.

To learn more about this annual event, visit: <https://momentumforhealth.org/event/mhfa-nov2023/>

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NAMI Teens and Young Adults Helpline

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) has mental health resources for teens and young adults. For teens or young adults who would like to access this resource text "Friend" to 62640, chat at nami.org/talktous, call 1-800-950-6264

MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES

**Take action to keep
your Medi-Cal!**

Watch for an important renewal letter
coming soon.



Medi-Cal Coverage

To continue coverage, individuals who are on Medi-Cal or Medicaid must update their information as soon as possible.

The Department of Health Care Services has information to help individuals keep their coverage. In order to complete the necessary forms or to learn more visit: www.KeepMediCalCoverage.org

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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