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## Message from the SCCOE Superintendent, Dr. Dewan

Hello Everyone-

This new school year signals a new chapter in education for our schools. It also represents new beginnings for all of us as we continue to learn how to manage all of the changes in our daily lives and remain vigilant with our risk reducing hygiene practices like hand washing, wearing face covers, and physical distancing.

The Santa Clara County Office of Education remains dedicated to our advocacy of inclusion, equity, and the abolishment of systemic racism, proving that we are stronger together through our partnerships with community leaders and districts. On Monday, August 3rd, we took a step to demonstrate our shared commitment to equity, by celebrating the lives, work, and pride of the LGBTQ community with an official flag raising ceremony streamed live from our offices at the



Ridder Park location on the SCCOE's Facebook page. Flag raising has a long history of symbolizing unity and solidarity. This symbol represents our support of LGBTQ values, history and life as well as support for LGBTQ students and their families. To view the recording of this event please click here.

Be Well.

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan
County Superintendent of Schools

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

# **Culturally & Linguistically Sustaining Instruction through My Name, My Identity Webinar**

Thursday, August 13th 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



This <u>webinar</u> will provide an overview of a <u>free online</u> <u>course</u> to prepare for back-to-school with ready to use lesson plans co-created by classroom teachers in grades K-12. This course will guide you through the pedagogy and applications that engage your students so they understand the importance of name, self-identity, and the positive impact they can make on their

learning community in a hybrid learning, distance learning, or traditional face-to-face environment. Technology tools to support the pedagogy will also be introduced. To register click <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

#### The Power of Blended Learning from the SCCOE

The SCCOE offers a variety of online courses for educators that support learning in the current environment through the use of technology and innovative best practices. We are pleased to release *The Power of Blended Learning!* This course highlights the considerations classroom teachers should address when preparing for a blended learning environment. When best practices are adhered to, blended learning provides students greater personalization in their learning. Whether addressing learning during a health crisis or natural disaster or looking for strategies that best serve student learning at any time, this course will guide you through the pedagogy and applications that engage your students in content and skills.

The course is free and self-paced, approximately 8 hours in length, and includes resources you can use to extend your learning. It qualifies for one unit of graduate credit from University of Pacific at \$80.

If you are interested in experiencing *The Power of Blended Learning* in e-book format (not as a course), access it at bit.ly/blendedsccoe

#### **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 <a href="here.">here.</a>

### **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 <a href="https://web.page">web.page</a>.

#### **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:**

# 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>.

#### California Collaborative for Educational Excellence Webinars



#### **Upcoming Webinars:**

TK-12 distance learning lessons that were developed by Kern County Superintendent of Schools (KCSOS).

Friday, August 7th 10:30 a.m.

Aligned to the Common Core State Standards, these free weekly lessons in ELA, ELD, Mathematics, and SEL prioritize accessibility and student choice. Lessons can be accessed within the Canvas Learning Management System, but are also available as printables to ensure that students who lack access to devices or connectivity are able to continue their learning without interruption.

SBCSS Professional Learning Modules: Facilitating the Foundations of Distance Learning

Tuesday, August 11th 10:30 a.m.

In this session, attendees will learn about the professional development courses that have been developed by San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) to support asynchronous or synchronous professional learning for all educators, prek-12. Participants will receive an overview of the content that is intended to highlight the essentials of Tier 1 best first instruction with an intentional transition to distance learning through courses in early learning, family engagement, Universal Design for Learning, and lesson design. Information for accessing and designing on-line course content will also be shared.

OCDE FLIP Supplemental Support Modules - Facilitated Learning with Integration & Personalization

Wednesday, August 12th 10:30 a.m.

In this session, attendees will learn more about Orange County Department of Education (OCDE)'s supplementary support distance learning modules for TK-8th grade. The 6-week units are intended for use by all California schools and districts highlighting essential ELA and math standards organized around engaging science and history/social science topics.

#### **Past Webinars:**

\*Supporting Historically Underserved Students in the Context of Distance Learning

Video, Slides, References

\*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 <u>Video</u> and <u>Worksheets</u>

\*Our Best Thinking Now: Re-Framing for the Distance Learning Ecosystem

#### Video, Worksheets, References

\*A Bias Towards Action: Co-creating the Distance Learning Experience <u>Video</u> and <u>Worksheets</u>

\*Maintaining High Levels of Parent/Family Engagement During Distance Learning

Video, Resources

\*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.

Watch the Webinar Recordings

## **Resources for Addressing Racial Inequity**

## <u>Creating the Space to Talk About Race in Your School</u>

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="https://example.com/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 multimedia resources tailored for educators, parents and caregivers—and individuals committed to racial equality.

### **Teaching 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.



<u>Talking About Racism and Violence: Resources for Educators and Families</u>
Resources from the link above can help promote deeper understanding around issues of racism and violence. They may also help contribute to discussion of these topics with colleagues and students, even through distance learning.

#### **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 <u>here</u>.

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 <a href="here">here</a> to find out more information. Young adult social justice book list click <a href="here">here</a>.

## **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
- CDC guidance: FAQ's

### **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 here.

- 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>.

San Antonio Elementary - Gymnasium 1721 E. San Antonio Street San Jose, CA 95116 Tuesday to Friday, August 4 - 7, 1 pm to 6 pm Saturday, August 8, 9 am to 2 pm

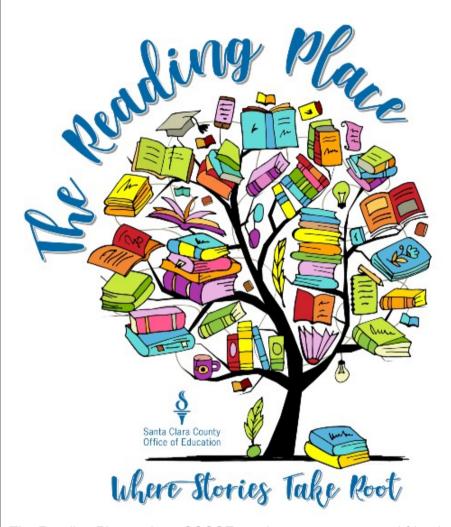
S. County Annex (formerly Antonio Del Buono School) 9300 Wren Ave Gilroy, CA 95020 Tuesday to Friday, August 4 - 7, 10 am to 4 pm



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 <a href="https://example.com/here/be/h

#### **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 <a href="mailto:siliconvalleystrong.org">siliconvalleystrong.org</a>

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
- GREAT PLATES
  DELIVERED
  PROGRAM
- 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**



San José to Provide High Speed Internet Access to Thousands of Students and Residents by the Beginning of the Academic School Year

Santa Clara County Office of Education Pride Flag Raising Ceremony

#### 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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