



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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

As students are home for winter break, parents and caregivers may find themselves looking for enrichment activities to keep their students engaged in learning this holiday season. Santa Clara County has many enriching resources for both in-person and virtual learning and we've compiled a few recommendations to benefit students and families this season.

The Santa Clara County Office of Education has established a strong partnership with [The Tech Interactive](#), which offers online and in-person activities for all ages. There are also many museum opportunities from the [Children's Discovery Museum](#) to the [South Bay Historical Railroad Society](#). The [Santa Clara County Library District](#) and the [Smithsonian](#) have great programs. And, for those looking for an opportunity to quiet the mind, the Santa Clara County Office of Education offers a [virtual calming room](#).

Looking to explore the great outdoors? [Santa Clara County has over 25 parks](#) open to the public. And, in the east foothills, the [James Lick Observatory](#) offers both an outdoor public space and science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) opportunities.

Providing every student with access to high-quality, inclusive educational experiences is an important goal for our entire community. Not every learning opportunity needs to be expensive, complicated or even outside of the home. For example, cooking with your student reinforces language skills as well as math and science. Great adventures can be had by simply reading a book together or engaging in an arts and crafts activity.

Limiting screen time, engaging in conversations, and sharing in or establishing new traditions are all excellent ways to prioritize



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the educational and emotional wellness of our students - critical needs educators work hard to foster in classrooms and on school campuses throughout the year.

I look forward to seeing students reunited back in the classroom in January, and furthering our mission of serving, inspiring and supporting their success in the new year.

Happy holidays,

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SCCOE News



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

- [SCCOE YouTube Channel](#)
- [California Department of Education Releases School Dashboard Update](#)
- [Santa Clara County Office of Education Launches Creation of Inclusive Early Learning Center](#)

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Classified:

- [Bus Driver](#)

Certificated:

- [Adapted Physical Education Specialist](#)


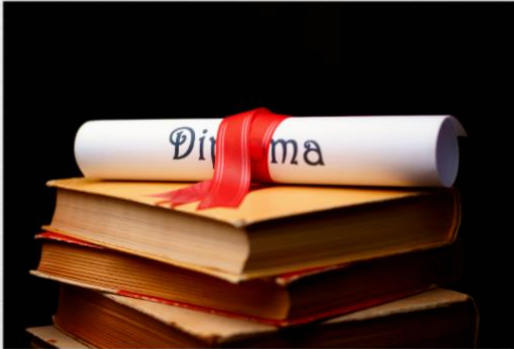



Quaker Oats Company Recalls

Please be advised that the Quaker Oats Company has announced the recall of specific granola bars and granola cereals for potential contamination of Salmonella.

To view the list of recalled products or to learn more, visit: <https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/quaker-recalls-granola-bars-and-granola-cereals-due-possible-health-risk>

**Santa Clara County
Office of Education's
Operation Recognition
Veterans Diploma Project**



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Operation Recognition Program

Santa Clara County Office of Education's Operation Recognition Program is open to current residents of Santa Clara County whose high school education was interrupted by military service in World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War. Degrees can also be applied for if the recognition is being honored to someone who has passed.

To apply, visit: <https://scoec.to/OperationRecognition>



Silicon Valley Reads

Registration is now open and available for the Silicon Valley Reads event on January 31, at 7 p.m. at the De Anza Visual Performing Arts Center Theater. This event will have a panel conversation with the authors featured this year.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://www.siliconvalleyreads.org/calendar>

NSF COHORT 2023-2024 TEACHER SHOWCASE



NSF Teacher Showcase

Please join the SCCOE on January 23 from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. to celebrate the success of our SCCOE/KCI/San Jose State University/West Ed Research Practice Partnership focused on improving positive identity and math academic performance for students identifying as Latina.

To register, visit: <https://sccoe.to/TeachersShowcaseRSVP>

Santa Clara County Office of Education
Educator Preparation Programs



Teacher Preparation & School Administration Credentialing Program

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Join the SCCOE on April 10 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Santa Clara County Office of Education at 1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose. At this community of practice, math educators will have opportunities to learn new teaching strategies, resources, and games.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://sccoe.to/joyinmathcop>



Early Education Teacher Development Grant Program

Are you a CSPP teacher interested in continuing your education? Join our Early Education Teacher Development Grant Program and receive an annual \$4800 stipend towards your tuition for completing a bachelor's degree in child development, human development, or early childhood education and an Early Childhood Special Education Credential or a PK-3 Instruction Specialist Credential!

To learn more or apply,

visit: <https://eppscholar.sccoe.org/portal/applications/applicationProfile.do?method=loadApplicationIndex&applicationProfileId=29714597>

Where can you get this year's flu shot and updated COVID shot?

- **Talk to your doctor** to make an appointment
- **Find a pharmacy** near you

Find a location near you
sccphd.org/ProtectThem

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Vaccines

The County of Santa Clara Public Health Department has information about where to obtain a flu shot and updated COVID-19 shot.

To learn more, visit: <https://publichealth.sccgov.org/protect-them>



Discover opioid resources

🔍 [opioids.ca.gov](https://www.opioids.ca.gov)

Opioid Resources

There is a new resource available for communities to learn more about opioids including prevention, treatment, and support.

To view this resource, visit: <https://www.opioids.ca.gov>



Behavioral Health Community Heroes Awards

The County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services Department encourages community members to nominate people for the Behavioral Health Community Heroes Awards. This is awarded to individuals who have made a significant difference in the lives of those with behavioral health challenges.

Nominations are accepted through January 12. To nominate your hero, visit: <https://bit.ly/2024HeroesNomination>

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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