Hello everyone-

April has been a remarkable month for new learning, understanding, and patience. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to navigate the murky waters of change, personally, professionally, and educationally.

In times of crisis, countless unseen and unsung heroes help our community each day. We’re all in this together and the SCCOE truly appreciates all you are doing to help our community to feel supported. We earnestly and humbly request everyone continue to adhere to the state and county guidance, as such focus is important to keep yourselves and those around you healthy and safe.

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan
County Superintendent of Schools

Resources for Schools and Districts

**Governor Newsom Issues Executive Order N-56-20**
Empowering Schools to Focus on COVID-19 Response and Transparency. The
order extends the deadlines for completing annual planning processes to enable local educational agencies to prioritize more exigent needs. Click on image to read the full order

Supporting Students with Disabilities During School Closure

Teaching Tolerance article provides recommendations for supporting students with learning disabilities through the corona virus pandemic. Click here to read more.

Interim Assessment Administration Resources

Available through June 30, 2020, the California Department of Education will allow teachers to administer interim tests to students remotely without the use of a secure browser. To find out more click here

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

Santa Clara County Health Department

The links below provide up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 from the Santa Clara County Health Department. Keep yourself informed by reviewing the
resources available here often.

- Santa Clara County Health Department: FAQs
- Santa Clara County Health Department: COVID 19-Dashboard
- Spanish
- Vietnamese

Guidance on Face Coverings

The Santa Clara County Health Department is urging the community to wear face coverings in public and when interacting with others. Using a face covering, that protects both your mouth and nose, will help to slow the spread of the Novel Coronavirus.

Please click on this link for more valuable information and guidance about face coverings.

Social Distancing Protocols

All Essential Businesses are required to prepare, post, and implement a Social Distancing Protocol at each of their facilities at which they are maintaining operations. Please click here to 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.

Playgrounds are Closed

Don't forget playgrounds are not open during the shelter in place. Please review the Santa Clara County Health Department order click here, section 13.

Resources for Families

SCCOE Announces New Online Portal for Essential Workers to Access Childcare

Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) in partnership with county and city leaders, community organizations and agencies throughout Santa Clara County has announced a new online portal to provide essential workers, as defined by the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health, access to childcare during the shelter-in-place order.
Inclusion Collaborative Family Resource Chats

FREE and offered every Tuesday at 11:00 am, IC Family Resources Chats provide resources to all who would like to learn more about the resources the IC provides to support student learning at home. Experienced Inclusion Specialists will provide a variety of resources and supports family and professionals alike can access. Please use the following link to learn more.

7-Day COVID-19 Kindness Challenge

- Sing a happy song! Go curbside caroling with your family (while practicing social distancing and face covering protocols); create a music video and share far and wide, or just sing along with the radio.
- Hold gratitude circles at a meal.
- Make up a poem with a positive message.
- Do household chores without being asked.
- Send a motivational and/or funny text to a friend who may be struggling.
- Arrange to have a cup of tea and virtual catch up with someone you know
- Join the #DoGoodFromHome challenge, Hasbro will donate a toy or game to organizations providing care to the children of COVID-19 essential workers, up to 25,000 toys and games. https://dogoodfromhome.com/

The Uplift Family Services' Mobile Crisis Team 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 webpage to see local districts' meal
distribution, as well as the City of San Jose Silicon Valley Strong page that has a map of meal availability across the county.

New updates from the Santa Clara County Office of Education

- Santa Clara County Office of Education Partners with Silicon Valley Community Foundation on Initiative to Support School Districts [Press Release]

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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