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SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

IMPACT Weekly

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

Hello everyone,

As we continue to employ risk-reducing mitigating strategies for COVID-19, we must remember to prepare for family and community disaster and emergency planning. [National Preparedness Month](#) (NPM) is an awareness campaign that reminds us that we all must prepare ourselves and our families for emergencies.

Asking a few questions of yourself and other household members will help guide the creation of your emergency plan.

1. How will I receive [emergency alerts and warnings](#)?
2. What is my [shelter](#) plan?
3. What is my [evacuation](#) route?
4. What is my [family/household communication plan](#)?
5. Have I updated my emergency plans due to COVID-19?

As you make your emergency plan that includes the needs of everyone, including pets, be sure to stay informed. Getting verified information from trusted sources is extremely important before, during, and after an event or emergency. Sign up to get free text or email alerts from [AlertSCC](#), the County of Santa Clara's official [emergency alert and warning system](#).

Planning for the unexpected begins with the whole family and must be a household conversation. Talk calmly with your family about what to do in a serious emergency. [Ready.gov](#) provides age-appropriate tools for parents and teachers to teach emergency preparedness to both kids and teenagers.

Be well,



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Community News and Resources



Silicon Valley Turkey Trot

It's that time of year, again! Registration for the [Silicon Valley Turkey Trot](https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/SanJose/SiliconValleyTurkeyTrot) is open! Visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/SanJose/SiliconValleyTurkeyTrot>.



National Voter Registration Day

Join us in celebrating National Voter Registration Day!

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Santa Clara County Government Center
1555 Berger Drive Bldg 2, San Jose, CA 95112
Parking Lot (Oakland Rd/Berger Dr)

- Informational Booths
- Food Trucks
- Photo Booth
- Music

Bring the family, join the celebration.

If you are interested in having a booth, please contact rov.media@rov.sccgov.org by 9/17/21.

If you need additional information, please email rov.media@rov.sccgov.org or call at (408) 282-3008.

Want to make your neighborhood safer, greener, healthier and more beautiful?

Become a Cool Block Leader!



The Cool Block program helps neighbors get to know each other and work together on:

- Disaster resiliency
- Carbon reduction
- Water stewardship
- Livability
- Empowering others

Cool Block Leaders recruit a team of neighbors and get the program started on their block.

The City of San José and Acterra are working together to roll out this program. If 200 Cool Block Leaders sign up by Sept. 22, we'll be eligible for the \$1 million Cool City Challenge grant!

To find out more and get involved, go to <https://bit.ly/coolblock> or use your phone's camera to scan this code



Cool City Challenge

FREE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA
Office of LGBTQ Affairs VIRTUAL

LGBTQ+ Summit

SAVE THE DATE:
Mon Oct 4
& Tues Oct 5
9am-12pm

Transgender Economic Empowerment

Featured organizations:

SF
Transgender
Cultural
District

Trans
Can
Work

LA
LGBT
Center

And
More!

Sign-up for updates: bit.ly/LGBTQSCCnewsletter

3rd annual LGBTQ+ Summit

District News and Resources

Teacher Recognition: Special Awards

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Santa Clara County Office of Education

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS

Teacher Special Awards

The Santa Clara County Office of Education has partnered with the Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union (SCFCU) and Texas Instruments (TI) to provide special awards for Santa Clara County public school educators who are inspire students to enjoy and

excel in the arts, civics, and STEM.

Winners will be recognized at the Santa Clara County Office of Education Teacher Recognition Celebration on October 28th.

To apply, district staff should complete the form by providing general contact information, four (4) overview questions, and one question that is specific to the award for which you are applying. Only applications submitted on the form linked here will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Christina Arpante at carpante@sccoe.org.

Nomination form: <https://sccoe.to/611c4a>

Deadline - September 24, 2021



**Alternative to Suspension
Webinar Series**

**PBIS-Informed Equitable & Inclusive
School - September 21**
<https://na.eventscloud.com/631542>

**Brief Intervention for Substance Using
Adolescents- October 18**
<https://na.eventscloud.com/635222>

**Alternatives to Suspension
Curriculum- November 16**
<https://na.eventscloud.com/63801>



Upcoming Grant Opportunities



2021-2022 Computer Science Community of Practice

JOIN THE GETTING TO ZERO (GTZ) YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD!

SUBMIT AN
APPLICATION TODAY!

STDs and HIV continue to have a disproportionate impact on certain populations.

This school year, get involved in STD/HIV health planning and make a difference in your community.

All Santa Clara County students grades 9-12 welcome to apply.

EARN INCENTIVES:

- Earn **Getting to Zero swag** (sweatshirt, t-shirt, water bottle, and more) for your active involvement in the Youth Advisory Board!
- Receive invaluable **professional experience in the public health field!**

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Program & materials development
- Community health promotion
- Career development
- Networking opportunities



Email GettingtoZeroSCC@phd.sccgov.org for an application and more information. Submit your application by **September 24, 2021**.

Applications will be reviewed **August** through late **September** for the term that begins in October 2021, and **your application must be submitted by September 24, 2021** to be considered. Students **grades 9-12** who live, work, or attend school in Santa Clara County may qualify.

Getting to Zero Youth Advisory Board

Join the Getting to Zero Youth Advisory Board

All Santa Clara County students in grades 9-12 are invited to apply by Friday, September 24. Email GettingtoZeroSCC@phd.sccgov.org for an application.



8th Annual (Virtual) Inclusion Collaborative Conference



Call for Student Performances

The Teacher Recognition Ceremony would like to include student performances from elementary, middle, and high school groups. Student Performance groups who would like to be considered should complete the form below. Items to note: (1) The number of

performances are limited and not all who show interest may be asked to perform. Schools/Groups will be notified by around October 1, 2021; (2) Depending on the state of the pandemic, and preferences of the COE and/or district, performances may be recorded ahead of time by our SCCOE production team.

- Program date: October 28, 2021
- Ceremony 7 - 9 p.m.
- Submission Deadline: September 24, 2021
- Participating groups will be provided a stipend for their time.

Submission Form: <https://sccoe.to/bo0>



Hispanic Heritage Month

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month! Recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success. Discover documents, exhibits, films, blog posts and more from the National Archives and Presidential Libraries that highlight Hispanic culture.

<https://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/>

Health & Wellness

Make a plan in case your child has symptoms of COVID-19



Santa Clara County
PUBLIC HEALTH

sccgov.org/coronavirus

Make a Plan

Don't send children to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



Make a Plan

Get your child tested, and if your child tests positive for COVID-19, have them isolate immediately and notify their school

- Isolate your child for 10 days since symptoms started. No symptoms? Isolate for 10 days since their first positive test
- Give them their own space and keep items away from others as much as possible
- Find a free testing site at sccfreetest.org



sccgov.org/coronavirus

Make a Plan

A poster for COVID-19 testing. The top half is yellow and contains the text "FREE DROP-IN COVID-19 TESTING WEEKLY" in bold black letters. To the right of the text are icons of a test tube and a magnifying glass over a gear. The bottom half is dark blue and contains the text "No Appointment Needed" in white. The entire poster is set against a white background.

**FREE DROP-IN
COVID-19
TESTING WEEKLY**

**No Appointment
Needed**

COVID-19 Testing at Ridder Park

COVID-19 testing for education sector employees and their family members.

Tuesdays and Fridays at Ridder Park
7:00 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.
or
12:00 p.m. – 2:55 p.m

Education sector employees can drop in, with your patient ID, for an observed self-administered nasal swab LHI/ OptumServe test at Ridder Park.

For more information, visit <https://sccoe.to/ffx>.

A poster for free flu shots. The background is blue with a white and orange abstract shape on the right side. The text is in white and orange. It says "Get Free Flu Shots at the Fairgrounds" in large white letters. Below that, in orange, it says "Drop ins welcome (no appointments needed)". Then in white, "Fairgrounds Expo Hall", "Enter via Gate D", "2542 Monterey Hwy. San Jose, CA 95111", "Tuesday 9/7, 2:30 - 7 pm", and "Wednesday 9/8, 2:30 - 7 pm". At the bottom right, it says "sccphd.org/flu" and "Santa Clara County PUBLIC HEALTH" with the public health logo.

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sccphd.org/flu Santa Clara County
PUBLIC HEALTH

Flu Shot Clinics at Fairgrounds

Have you been facing housing issues during COVID-19?

Are you having trouble **paying rent?**

Has your landlord **threatened to evict** you?

Are you unsure about **your rights as a renter** during the pandemic?



THE LAW FOUNDATION OF SILICON VALLEY IS HERE TO HELP YOU.



Come to our outdoor Know Your Rights presentation:

**When: Wednesday,
September 22, 2021**
**Where: San Ysidro Park,
Gilroy**
Time: 4:00PM-5:30PM



Call our intake hotline for more information: (408) 280-2424



Renter Assistance Support

Announcements

News Releases:

- [Notice of County Committee on School District Organization Election](#)
- [Santa Clara County Board of Education Approves Resolutions Acknowledging October as Bullying Prevention and Disability Employment Awareness Month](#)

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. For more information about the Santa Clara County Office of Education, please visit www.sccoe.org.

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