



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

Hello everyone,

America's Safe Schools Week was established by the National School Safety Center in 1984 and highlights ways we can take steps to ensure students and teachers are in the safest learning environment. Schools and districts can visit <https://www.schoolsafety.gov/> for actionable recommendations.

Getting vaccinated and following the recommended protocols to reduce community transmission of COVID-19 is the best way to protect the health and safety of the entire family. Find a testing site: [www.sccfreetest.org](http://www.sccfreetest.org). Individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 can be vaccinated once they have recovered and at least 10 days have passed since their diagnosis. This applies to any COVID-19 vaccination, including boosters. For more information, visit [www.sccFreeVax.org](http://www.sccFreeVax.org). In addition, continuing universal masking regardless of vaccination status support safe learning environments.

This week is National Teen Driver Safety Week (NTDSW). This grassroots movement has brought millions of teens, parents, schools, law enforcement, advocates, and policymakers from across the country together to tackle the number one cause of death for teens in the U.S. – car crashes. The theme of the campaign is “when you see something, #SaySomething.” The campaign encourages youth to make good choices every time they get in a car as a driver or passenger. Car crashes are preventable since 75% of crashes are caused by reckless and distracted driving choices. Multitasking is tempting in this busy world, but distractions endanger everyone on the road.



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

Together, we can make our schools safe and help our youth make good choices to protect themselves and others. We are stronger together.

Be well,

**Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.**

County Superintendent of Schools

## Community News and Resources



**Have you been impacted by COVID-19? It's NOT your fault.**  
*Rent Relief*

COVID-19 Rent Relief is available to Santa Clara County Residents

The COVID-19 Rent Relief Program is rental assistance for tenants who have past due rent from April 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021. Up to 3 months of future rent can be applied for and granted. 100% of rent and utilities will be covered.

### Who Can Apply?

- Landlords who have income-eligible renters experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 past due rent.
- Renters who have experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19, have past due rent or utilities, and have a household income that is not more than 80% of the area median income.

### How Can You Apply?

For assistance in applying, eligible tenants/landlords: call Catholic Charities at (408) 273-7478 to set up an appointment

Attend a pop-up clinic for assistance every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday or apply directly online at [HousingIsKey.com](https://HousingIsKey.com).

Review the available flyers for more information, eligibility criteria, and contact information. (Flyer is in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese).

Additional information can also be found on our website at [www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/emergency-rent-relief](http://www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/emergency-rent-relief).

2021 GROSVENOR TEACHER FELLOW



| MAIMONA AFZAL BERTA SAN JOSE, CA

*Grosvenor Teacher Fellowship Honoree*

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| JORGE PACHECO, JR. SAN JOSE, CA

*Grosvenor Teacher Fellowship Honoree*

The Grosvenor Teacher Fellowship (GTF) is a professional development opportunity for pre-K–12 educators made possible by a partnership between Lindblad Expeditions and the National Geographic Society. An annual competitive application process is used to select educators and host them aboard Lindblad Expeditions' voyages for a life-changing, field-based experience.

Maimona Afzal Berta, Alum Rock Union School District Special Education Teacher, and Jorge Pacheco, Jr., Mountain View Whisman School District 4th Grade Teacher are two of the 50 educators from across the United States and Canada to receive its 2021 Fellowship Award.

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan is recognizing these Santa Clara County honorees on November 18.

To register for this event, please visit <http://bit.ly/2021-Grosvenor>.



Bill Wilson Center

**HERE4YOU**  
**Call Center**

*a hotline to centralize referrals to temporary housing programs*

**(408) 385-2400**

Call Center hours: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

The Santa Clara County Shelter Hotline has a new home, and new number, and new services!!

Bill Wilson Center has officially taken on running the "Here4You" Call Center, which operates daily from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Call 408-385-2400 to access Emergency Shelters, Homelessness Prevention Rental Assistance, and info on other Community Resources.

*Papel Picado Art*

The Q Corner is excited to bring a papel picado making workshop for Dia de Los Muertos! In this workshop you will have the opportunity to create your own papel picado art. Supplies will be provided.

Monday, November 1, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m... in person at The Q Corner

To Register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PapelPicado>

SVCREATES Presents:

# DEI WORKSHOPS

- **Why Equity?**  
November 1 | 3pm-7pm
- **Creating Sustainable Equity for BIPOC-Led Organizations**  
November 3 | 3pm-7pm



Presented by:  
**Beatrice Thomas**

*DEI workshops*

[SVCreates](#) is hosting two DEI workshops featuring Beatrice Thomas that will help build more welcoming and belonging into organizations:

**November 1 - 3:00 - 7:00 p.m**

Why Equity? An EDI Mindset Shift for Predominantly White Arts Institutio

<https://bit.ly/3zYxxzJ>

**November 3 - 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Creating Sustainable Equity for BIPOC-Led Organizations

<https://bit.ly/3zXThvF>



Design our new logo for a chance to win **\$5,000!**

**TRUSTED RESPONSE  
URGENT SUPPORT TEAM  
(TRUST)**

*Logo Contest*

County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services Department (BHSD) Logo design contest

Award: \$5,000

Deadline: November 12, 2021

1. Review the [Official Contest Rules](#)
2. Complete the contest entry form here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7FYF6HV>
3. If under the age of 18, download and complete the [Minor Consent Form](#) to submit with your design entry



2021 Great California ShakeOut!



# CLASSY TOASTERS OPEN HOUSE

Hosted by:  Santa Clara County  
Office of Education

**FIND YOUR  
VOICE!**

*Learn how Toastmasters  
can help you develop  
communication and  
leadership skills, resulting  
in greater self-confidence  
and personal growth.*



**Date: Wednesday, 10/20/21**

**Networking: 11:50AM-12:05PM**

**Meeting: 12:05 - 1:00PM**

**Location: Zoom**

**REGISTER for the meeting link:**

**[bit.ly/CTopenhouse21](https://bit.ly/CTopenhouse21)**



*Classy Toasters Virtual Open House*



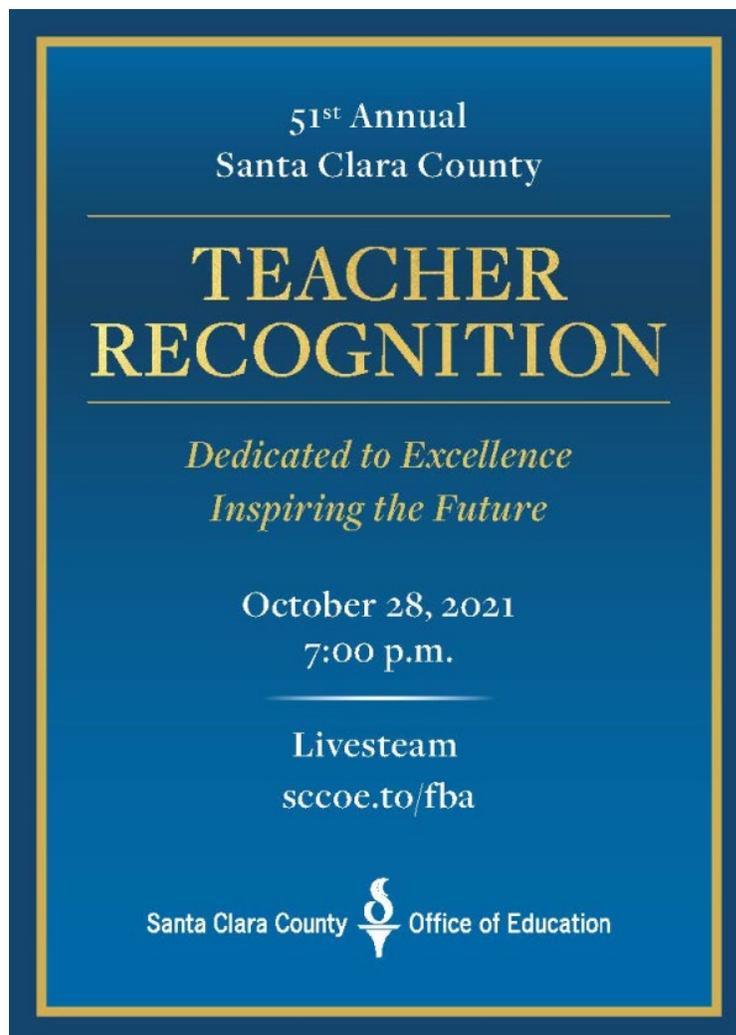
*Bus Safety Reminders*

It's crucial to know when you, as a driver, need to stop for a school bus to help keep children safe and when it's legal for you to keep driving. According to California law, drivers must stop when a school bus stops in front of them and extends its stop sign with flashing lights. In addition,

- When on a two-lane road without a median, traffic on both sides of the road must stop.
- When on a two-lane road with a center turn lane, traffic must stop on both sides of the road.
- Cars can pass the school bus after the stop sign is no longer out, the school bus has begun driving, or the bus driver signals you can pass.
- When there are four lanes, the side of traffic without a stopped school bus can continue driving, preferably cautiously.
- When there is a raised divider, like a median in between the different directions of traffic, the side of the road without a stopped school bus can continue driving, preferably cautiously.
- Cars on a two-lane road with a median also do not have to stop if the bus is stopped on the other side of the road.

For safety tips, visit [The National Association for Pupil Transportation \(NAPT\)](#).

## District News and Resources



51<sup>st</sup> Annual  
Santa Clara County

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**TEACHER  
RECOGNITION**

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*Dedicated to Excellence  
Inspiring the Future*

October 28, 2021  
7:00 p.m.

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Livestream  
[sccoe.to/fba](https://sccoe.to/fba)

Santa Clara County  Office of Education

*Teacher of the Year Recognition*

# UNITY DAY

WEAR AND SHARE

**ORANGE**

IN SUPPORT OF  
BULLYING PREVENTION



*Bullying Awareness*

## Wear and Share Orange

Show unity for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion and to send a visible message that no child should ever experience bullying. For more information, visit <https://www.pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/unity-day>.

A graphic for College Day 2021. At the top left is a graduation cap icon. The text "COLLEGE DAY 2021" is in green. Below it, "I Own MY FUTURE" is written in large blue letters, with "Own" in a script font. At the bottom, a blue banner contains the text "WHAT TOOLS WILL HELP ME GET THERE?" in white. The date "OCTOBER 27, 2021" is at the very bottom in blue.

COLLEGE DAY 2021

I Own MY FUTURE

WHAT TOOLS WILL HELP ME GET THERE?

OCTOBER 27, 2021

*College Day 2021*

# 2021 Cilker Arts Conference

Virtual



November 5 & 6, 2021

*Cilker Conference*

The 13th Annual Marion Cilker Conference for Arts in Education will take place 8:00 am – 1:00 pm on Friday, Nov 5 and Saturday, Nov 6.

This conference is co-sponsored by Lurie College of Education at San José State University and the Santa Clara County Office of Education.

For more information: [sccoe.org/arts/Cilker](https://sccoe.org/arts/Cilker)



Check out the many grants available for educators!

## Health & Wellness

### COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters

## Who qualifies for a COVID-19 booster?

COVID-19 Vaccine boosters are available for the following Pfizer- vaccine recipients who completed their second dose at least 6 months ago and are:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work in high-risk settings
- Age 18+ who live in high-risk settings



[sccFreeVax.org](https://www.sccFreeVax.org)



# Santa Clara County Weekly Vaccine Schedule

## Week of October 17 - October 23, 2021

Vaccines are free, easy, and safe. You do not need health insurance and all immigration statuses are eligible. Staff are onsite to support language needs and disability access.

### Drop-in/no appointment needed at all of the following vaccine sites:

#### San Jose

**Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, Expo Hall**

**Sat, Sun, Mon 8:30am-3:45pm**

**Tues, Wed 1pm-8pm**

**Thurs, Fri 9am-6pm**

2542 Monterey Hwy, Gate D  
San Jose, CA 95111

Entrance for individuals with disabilities:

344 Tully Rd, San Jose, CA 95111

#### Valley Specialty Center

**Mon-Fri 9:30am-5pm**

751 S. Bascom Ave, Building Q  
San Jose, CA 95128

#### Emmanuel Baptist Church

**Tues-Fri 9am-6pm**

467 North White Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

#### Story Rd HUB

**Sun 10/17 9am-4pm**

**Fri 10/22 3pm-7:30pm**

**Sat 10/23 9am-4pm**

1775 Story Rd, San Jose, CA 95122

#### North East Medical Services

**Mon, Wed, Fri 2:30pm-4pm**

1870 Lundy Ave, San Jose, CA 95131

#### Sun Pharmacy

**Mon-Fri 9am-4pm**

**Sat 9am-1pm**

2559 South King Rd, San Jose, CA 95122

#### Advance SJ Pharmacy

**Mon-Fri 9am-5:30pm**

2331 Montpelier Dr, Ste A-10, San Jose, CA 95116

#### Medical Offices of Dan Hopner, MD, Rom Romero, PA

**Mon-Fri 10am-2pm**

2060 Aborn Rd, Ste 100, San Jose, CA 95121

#### Los Alamitos Pharmacy

**Mon-Fri 9:15am-5:30pm**

1150 N. Jackson Ave, Ste 3,  
San Jose, CA 95116

📞 2-1-1 [sccFreeVax.org](http://sccFreeVax.org)

#### San Jose (continued)

##### Roosevelt Center

**Sun 10/17 10am-5pm**

901 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95116

##### Allen at Steinbeck

**Mon 10/18 3pm-7:30pm**

820 Steinbeck Drive, San Jose 95123

##### Bay Area Community Health

**Tues 10/19 2pm-6pm**

1066 South White Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

##### Emma Prusch Park-Multicultural Center

**Tues, Wed\*, Thurs\* 12pm-7pm**

647 S King Rd, San Jose, CA 95116

\*grocery gift cards available (not available for boosters)

##### Tully Medical Clinic Pharmacy

**Mon-Fri 9am-6pm**

**Sat 10/23 9am-1pm**

1693 Flanigan Dr, Suite 104

San Jose, CA 95121

##### Robert F Kennedy

**Wed 10/20 1pm-6:30pm**

1602 Lucretia Avenue, San Jose CA 95122

##### Muwekma Ohlone Middle School

**Wed 10/20 3pm-7:30pm**

850 North Second Street, San Jose 95112

##### August Boeger Middle School

**Thurs 10/21 12:30pm-6:30pm**

1944 Flint Avenue, San Jose 95148

##### Franklin Elementary School

**Fri 10/22 3pm-7pm**

420 Tully Rd, San Jose, CA 95111

##### Grace Baptist Church

**Sat 10/23 12pm-7pm**

484 E San Fernando St, San Jose, CA 95112

#### Cupertino

##### Homestead High School

**Sat 10/23 12pm-5pm**

21370 Homestead Rd, Cupertino 95014

3rd doses available to immunocompromised individuals. 3rd doses are different than booster shots. Find eligibility criteria at [www.sccFreeVax.org](http://www.sccFreeVax.org)

#### Gilroy

##### Gavilan College

**Wed 10/20 12pm-6pm**

5055 Santa Teresa Blvd, Gilroy, CA 95020

#### Livermore

##### San Antonio Valley

**Sat 10/23 12pm-4pm**

47365 San Antonio Valley Rd, Livermore, CA 94550

#### Morgan Hill

##### DePaul Health Center

**Wed-Fri 9am-6pm**

**Sat-Sun 8am-5pm**

**Mon 9am-6pm**

18550 DePaul Dr, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

(Enter on DePaul Drive, near conference center/old hospital building)

#### Mountain View

##### Mountain View Community Center

**Tues-Fri 11am-6pm**

201 S Rengstorff Ave, Mountain View, CA 94040

#### Santa Clara

##### Montague Elementary School

**Wed 10/20 1:30pm-7pm**

750 Laurie Ave, Santa Clara, CA 95054

#### San Martin

##### San Martin Vaccination Center

**Tues-Sat 8:30am-3:45pm**

90 Highland Ave, San Martin, CA 95046

#### Sunnyvale

##### El Dorado Mobile Home Park

**Sat 10/23 10am-4pm**

600 E Weddell Dr, Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Booster shots are available at all listed sites to those who received Pfizer for their second dose at least 6 months ago and meet CDC and FDA eligibility criteria.

# 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>.

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6th-12th Graders

**CRUSH  
MISINFO!**



[sccVaxUpVideo.org](http://sccVaxUpVideo.org)



Santa Clara County  
**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Vax Up Video

## Announcements

No Announcements this week.

### **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](http://www.sccoe.org).*

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