



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

Hello everyone,

The 19th Annual Silicon Valley Reads program returns in 2022 with the theme of **Power of Kindness, Resilience & Hope**. This theme will allow us to engage in conversation about the transformative power of kindness, highlight our remarkable capacity for resilience, and build hopefulness for our future. During February and March of 2022, Silicon Valley Reads will offer free virtual and in-person public programs for all ages, including author talks, panel discussions, educational events, demonstrations, performances, activities for students, story times, and an art exhibit.



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The featured nonfiction books have been selected to highlight the 2022 theme:

- ***See No Stranger\**** by Valarie Kaur
- ***Enough about Me*** by Richard Lui
- ***A Dream Called Home*** by Reyna Grande

The Children's Books selected include

- ***The Big Umbrella* by Amy June Bates**  
(Pre-K - K)
- ***The Girl in the Gold Dress* by Christine Paik**  
(1st - 3rd grade)
- ***SHINE!* by Chris and J.J. Grabenstein**  
(4th - 8th grade)
- ***Darius the Great is Not Okay* by Adib Khorram**  
(High School)

The complete schedule of events will be published on the [SiliconValleyReads.org](https://www.siliconvalleyreads.org) website in early January.

Building upon resilience and hope, children ages 5 to 11 years old are now eligible for coronavirus vaccines. All

families can begin planning for the vaccine. The Biden administration plans to distribute the doses and reports that it has procured enough vaccines for all 28 million 5 to 11 year-olds in the U.S. The vaccine for 5 to 11 year-olds will be distributed in smaller dosing and with smaller needles to make it easier for pediatricians and pharmacists to administer to children. Vaccines are available at clinics, pharmacies, healthcare organizations and at some school sites. COVID-19 Vaccine Information will be updated regularly at <https://covid19.sccgov.org/covid-19-vaccine-information>.

Be well,

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## Community News and Resources



*Santa Clara County Teacher Recognition*

Congratulations to all the Teachers of the Year and Special Award Winners recognized at the Santa Clara County Teacher Recognition Celebration on Thursday, October 28th. <https://www.sccoe.org/trc>



*Daylight Savings*



*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 may 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://www.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 Catholic Charities' website at [www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/emergency-rent-relief](http://www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/emergency-rent-relief).



*Fantasy of Lights*



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## Fantasy of Lights - TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Walk-thru Weekend - December 4th and 5th

Drive-thru Nights - December 7th - 30th

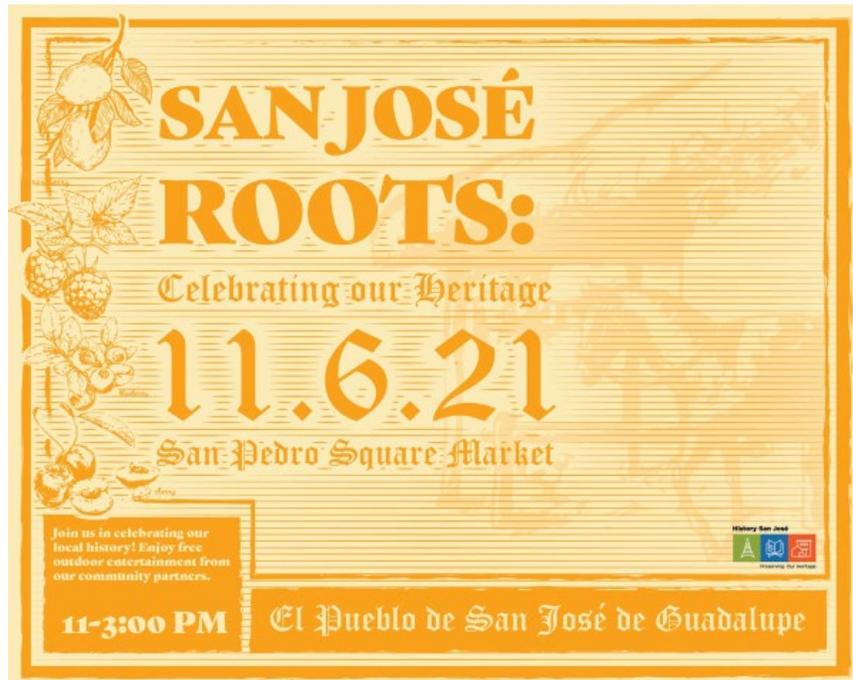
Enjoy a magical evening from the warmth of your car or bundle up and stroll through on foot to see 1.5 miles of animated light displays up close and personal at Vasona Lake County Park in Los Gatos. NOTE: This event sells out quickly for all walk-thru and drive-thru nights - buy your tickets early.

Tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/.../santa-clara-county-parks...>

Event Information:

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/fol/Pages/AnnualFoL.aspx>



*Celebrate local history*

### **San Jose Roots: Celebrating our Heritage**

Celebrate our local history at San Pedro Square Market. See free outdoor entertainment from local performers: History San José's Portraits of the Past, Julo, Los Arribeños, and Los Lupeños de San José. Meet your local councilmembers and Mayor Sam Licardo. Explore local history with History San José's community partners. Visit the Gonzalez/Peralta Adobe & Fallon House.



*Children's Discovery Museum of San Jose Event*

### **Diwali: Festival of Lights** at the **Children's Discovery Museum** of San Jose

- November 4, 2021 Virtual celebration on Facebook and YouTube
- November 6, 2021 Program at the Museum

# South FIRST FRIDAYS

an eclectic evening of arts and culture  
in downtown San Jose's SoFA District (& beyond) on the First Friday of every month

*First Fridays Art Walk - South First Fridays*

**The South FIRST FRIDAYS Art Walk** invites you to a unique evening of great exhibitions in galleries, museums and art supporting businesses. ArtwalkSJ hours are 5–9pm, free admission, all ages welcome, rain or shine.

November 5, 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.

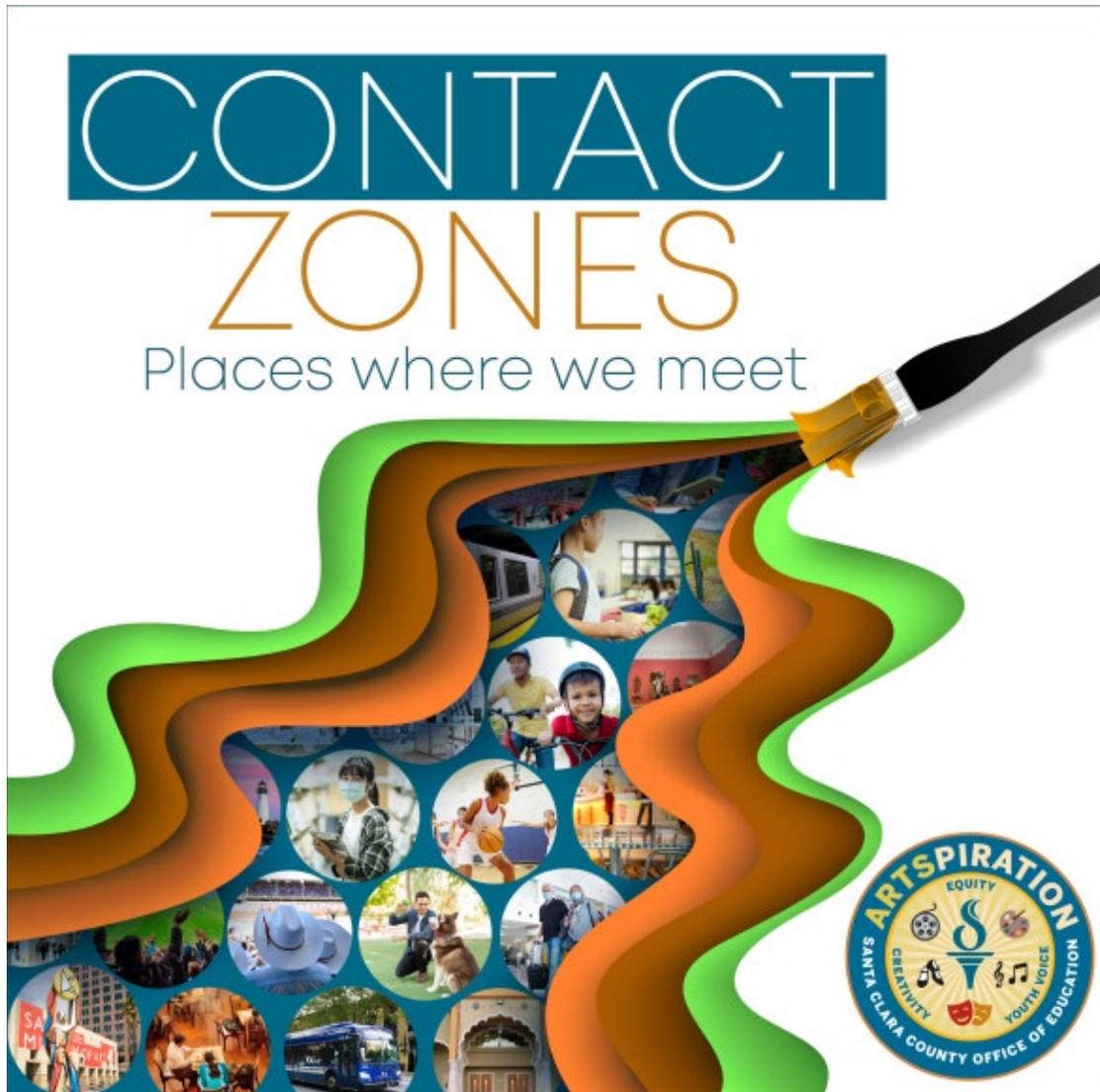


*One (1) Million Pound Cleanup Event*

## **One (1) Million Pound Cleanup Event**

November 6, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Be part of our milestone event - One (1) Million Pounds of Trash Collected by South Bay Clean Creeks Coalition! Be part of history - [limited to the first 80 to sign up!](#)



*2022 Young Artist Showcase Competition*

The 2022 Young Artist Showcase Competition is open to Santa Clara County public school students, pre-K-12th grade. Student winners will have their artwork accepted into the permanent exhibit of student artwork located within the SCCOE office as well as showcased at the San Jose, in-person Arts at the Emancipatory Education Conference on March 13, 2022, celebrating Arts Education Month in California and on May 19, 2022, in a virtual celebration of youth expression at the Santa Clara County Office of Education on Zoom.

This year's artwork theme of "Contact Zones: Places Where We Meet" encourages students to show experiences of places and/or events in which differences meet and interact. Contact zones can be any place where humans are! They include places such as schools or neighborhoods.

The submission deadline is February 25, 2022. Eligibility, Key Dates, and Submission requirements can be found on the Artspiration website - <https://www.sccoe.org/arts/yas>.



## Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) and Sustainability

Fri., Nov. 19, 11am ET

Join us to hear about six elements for sustaining SEL implementation across a district.

Made possible with support from:



*Building Connections: Social and Emotional Learning and Sustainability*

Join CASEL as they reflect on lessons learned over the past decade and share six elements for sustaining SEL implementation across a district.

Recommended for district and state leaders on their own SEL journeys. Participants will learn from CASEL's district consultants, who've worked closely with school system leaders nationwide. They'll discuss each element and share promising strategies from partner districts.

Register: <https://bit.ly/3mGbhWE>



*Cilk Conference*

# Free Webinar

2-Part Webinar Series

## Success Criteria & Teacher Clarity: Ensuring Equity of Access and Success for ALL students

Nov 9 & 15, 2021 | 1-3 PT

**>>> RESERVE MY SEAT**

\*Win a seat at an upcoming Corwin Institute

Presented by...



Douglas Fisher



John Almarode



Kateri Thunder



Olivia Amador Valerio

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*Douglas Fisher Webinar*

Four (4) hours of free professional development for educators! Join Doug Fisher and his colleagues as they dive into practices that will transform how you teach. Register at <https://lnkd.in/gpJqzMRs>.



*Article on compassionate discipline*

ASCD Article: [Ready...Set...Success: A Formula for Leading Schools with Love](#)

## Treat yourself! Take care with these self-care tips:

Get regular exercise even for 30 minutes

Eat healthy, regular meals and stay hydrated

Make sleep a priority

Try a relaxing activity – focusing on your own kids, having a space that's not about education, gardening, exercising (running), pleasure reading, binge TV

Focus on positivity

Stay connected

Set goals and priorities



*Stress Awareness*

It's important to acknowledge when you're stressed and take time to rest and repair. Use these tips from the, US Department of Education, to reduce stress and give yourself time for self-care.

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*Learning for justice, democracy & liberation*

Learning For Justice Article: [Reimagining Digital Literacy Education to Save Ourselves](#)

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# Choosing an SEL Program for Your School



Read:  
**edutopia**

*Edutopia Article: SEL*

Article: Overwhelmed by all the options for SEL programming for your school? Get guidance from CASEL experts on how to choose the best program for your needs: <https://edut.to/3B09QH> .

## Health & Wellness

### Am I eligible for a COVID-19 booster shot?

#### Who?

##### If you received a Pfizer or Moderna series:

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



##### If you received a J&J vaccine:

- Age 18+



#### When?

- At least 6 months after Pfizer or Moderna
- At least 2 months after J&J

#### Where?

Contact your provider or visit [sccFreeVax.org](https://sccFreeVax.org)



*Getting a Booster Vaccine*

# Santa Clara County Weekly Vaccine Schedule



Week of October 24 - October 30, 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 10/24 9am-4pm**

**Fri 10/29 3pm-7:30pm**

**Sat 10/30 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

## San Jose (continued)

### Los Alamos Pharmacy

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

1150 N. Jackson Ave, Ste 3,

San Jose, CA 95116

### Horace Cureton Elementary School

**Sun 10/24 12pm-5pm**

3720 East Hills Dr, San Jose 95127

### Escuela Popular Binational Health Fair

**Mon 10/25 10am-6pm**

149 N White Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

### Bascom Community Center

**Mon 10/25 10am-7pm**

1000 S Bascom Ave, San Jose, CA 95128

### Bay Area Community Health

**Tues 10/26 2pm-4pm**

1066 South White Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

### Oak Grove High School (Pending)

**Tues 10/26 4pm-7pm**

285 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, CA 95123

### Mt. Pleasant High School

**Wed 10/27 2pm-7:30pm**

1750 South White Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

### Ace Charter School

**Thur 10/28 5pm-7:30pm**

1776 Education Park Dr,

San Jose, CA 95133

### Alpha: Cindy Avitia High School

**Thur 10/28 1pm-6pm**

1881 Cunningham Ave, San Jose 95122

### Pioneer High School

**Fri 10/29 3:30pm-7:30pm**

1290 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose 95118

### Evergreen Library

**Sat 10/30 10am-5:30pm**

2635 Aborn Rd. San Jose, CA 95121

## San Jose (continued)

### James Lick High School

**Sat 10/30 1pm-7pm**

57 North White Rd, San Jose 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 10/30 9am-1pm**

1693 Flanigan Dr, Suite 104

San Jose, CA 95121

## Gilroy

### Gilroy High School

**Fri 10/29 3pm-7:30pm**

750 West Tenth St, Gilroy, CA 95020

## 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**

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

201 S Rengstorff Ave,

Mountain View, CA 94040

## Santa Clara

### Santa Clara University

**Thur 10/28 10am-5pm**

500 El Camino Real

Santa Clara CA 95053

**Booster shots and third doses are available at all sites to those who meet CDC and FDA eligibility criteria**

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



Vaccine Sites

# COVID-19 Vaccinations for Kids: What to Expect



Youth Vaccinations

## Your child will need two shots

- The second shot is three weeks after the first shot.
- Your child will get the Pfizer vaccine.
- This is the vaccine that will be available for kids ages 5 to 11.
- It is a smaller dose than the Pfizer vaccine for adults. It is one-third of an adult dose.

sccFreeVax.org



Youth Vaccinations

## Your child will get a white CDC COVID-19 vaccine record card.

Bring your child's yellow childhood immunization card, if you have one. We will update the yellow card too.



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Youth Vaccinations

**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>.

# Announcements

## News Releases:

- [Santa Clara County Office of Education Statement Following Approval of the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine for 5-to-11-Year-Olds](#)
- [Santa Clara County Office of Education \(SCCOE\) Hosts Ribbon-Cutting for New Santa Clara County Office of Education South County Annex](#)
- [51st Annual Recognition Celebration Honors Educators Across Santa Clara Count](#)

## 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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