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

Hello everyone,

A strong public education is important to the well-being of an individual and community. Through education, we learn more about ourselves, our world and each other. The Santa Clara County Office of Education celebrates and supports public education daily.

It is a privilege to celebrate National Support Public Education Day with all of you on Saturday, July 30. This day is an opportunity to promote education and lifelong learning while raising awareness about the importance of public education.

In preparation for the upcoming 2022-23 school year, reflect on your experiences in public education to see how you can support public education students, teachers and staff:

- Mentor a student
- Become a teacher/ substitute/ para-educator/school nurse
- Volunteer at school events
- Donate supplies to classrooms
- Consider a career in teaching and learn more at Step into Teaching

Public education plays a vital role in shaping the youngest residents of Santa Clara County into engaged community members and leaders. Together, we can ensure students achieve their full potential.

We are #StrongerTogether.

Be well,
Announcements

Visit the SCCOE Newsroom for the latest news and updates.

Community News and Resources

Vote for your top 10

The Santa Clara County Library District's teen librarians want to hear from you! Every year, the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) creates a teen choice list. Teens can nominate and choose their favorite books from the previous year from a list of nominees. Get your votes in for your favorite book by Sunday, July 31 and you could win a prize drawing! See more information at https://bit.ly/3IAxcJr.

Listening Session: Community Input on Office of Disability Affairs Office Priorities for Santa Clara County

Tuesday, August 2, 2022 @ 7:00PM - 8:00PM

The World Institute on Disability will be hosting a Listening Session in collaboration with the County of Santa Clara, Office of the County Executive, as part of the planning process for launching its Office on Disability Affairs in 2022.

American Sign Language and English CART captioning will be provided.

Register: https://buff.ly/3y01LDh
Join TeenHQ and the San Jose Youth Commission for the first annual Teen Civics Summit on Saturday, August 6 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at King Library.

Refreshments will be provided, and attending teens will have a chance to win swag and door prizes!

Registration is required.
Register for the SVYCA Leadership Summit 2022

Become a parent mentor for other parents who have children with disabilities. Parents Helping Parents will host two informational meetings about their mentoring program:

- Thursday, July 28 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 30 from 10-11 a.m.

Please RSVP by calling (831) 423-7713 or sending an email to splageman@spinsc.org
Are you (or do you know someone who is) an out-of-school young adult needing career and educational guidance? NOVAworks is a program that provides support to people ages 17 – 24 and who live in northern Santa Clara County.

Apply at https://www.youthatwork.org, call 408-730-7640, or text 408-568-7776.

Summer is a great time to prepare little ones for school. The free Family Math activity book can help! Find fun family-friendly activities for children, aged 2-5, that will help develop their foundational math skills.
Join us for the SCCOE’s Virtual Step into Teaching: Opportunities in Silicon Valley Public Schools Event to help you learn and prepare for the joys of a teaching career.

- Discover what is needed to become a teacher
- Learn how to navigate the credentialing process
- Talk with representatives from local universities and teaching programs
- Learn about compensation, benefits, financial aid and retirement

Register at: [www.sccoe.org/stepintoteaching](http://www.sccoe.org/stepintoteaching)

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**FREE WEBINAR**

**TEACHING NON-VIOLENT COMMUNICATION TO KIDS**

Learn how to integrate this practice into the classroom with your students or at home with your family

July 27th, 4-5pm PT/ 7-8pm ET

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Communication strategies for kids
Are you a new elementary school teacher? This excerpt from "The Art of Teaching Children" can help you prepare for a successful first day of school.

You can read more here: https://www.edutopia.org/article/first-day-tips-new-elementary-school-teachers

Health & Wellness

Back to School:

☑️ Get backpack
☑️ Print calendar
☐ Call doctor

Don’t wait—Vaccinate!

Add vaccinations to your back-to-school checklist
Talk to your child's doctor to ask for the COVID-19 vaccine. Your child's doctor can vaccinate them for COVID-19 and make sure they are up to date on other vaccinations.

If your child does not have a regular doctor, call (866) 967-4677 for assistance enrolling in government programs or health coverage. You can find more information about vaccinations at https://covid19.sccgov.org/covid-19-vaccine-information

Vaccination Clinic on August 3
Free vehicle entry to county parks

**Free Vehicle Entry!**
**Sat. July 30**
Thanks for your support of the Park Charter Fund
Protecting, preserving and expanding your Park system.

Offer does not include Field Sports or Sunnyvale Baylands

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**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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**August 2022 Events Calendar**