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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

All people should have the opportunity to feel safe in their community and to be their authentic selves. We are fortunate to live in a community that is accepting. However, collectively we must continue to work to strengthen and expand inclusivity, acceptance, and support.

The Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is a proud partner with OUT for Safe Schools, a program that supports the LGBTQ+ community by publicly identifying school staff as LGBTQ+ allies. There are resources available for schools at no cost. To learn more, visit: https://www.sccoe.org/LGBTQ/Pages/Safe-Schools.aspx

In Santa Clara County, there are resources available for individuals, families, and schools. The SCCOE has compiled a list including resources for families, inclusionary literature, a toolbox to promote healthy LGBTQ+ youth, and more. To view these resources and more, visit: https://www.sccoe.org/LGBTQ/Pages/Resources.aspx

In August, the SCCOE will be participating in the SV Pride Parade and Festival. This is a joyous event for community members to unite in support of their LGBTQ+ friends, family, and fellow community members. To learn more about SV Pride, visit https://www.svpride.com/

Thank you to the brave individuals who continue to share their stories and stand strong in the face of adversity.

We are #StrongerTogether

Be well,

Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools
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MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS RECRUITMENT FAIR

Saturday, July 8, 2023
9am - 12pm

The SCCOE is hosting a Mental Health Professionals Recruitment Fair on July 8 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Prospective applicants will have the opportunity to learn more about Mental Health positions open at the SCCOE.

To learn more or register, visit: https://sccoe.to/2023mhrecruitmentfair
The Santa Clara County Public Library District is hosting a summer reading event, with the theme, Find Your Voice. This event is from June 1 to July 31. This free event is an opportunity for youth to read books over the summer to earn prizes.

To learn more about this summer reading program, visit: sccld.org/summer2023/

The San Andreas Regional Center is hosting the 7th Annual Superhero Summer Festival & 5K Walk-Run-Roll on July 29. The run will be at History Park in San Jose. Everyone of all abilities is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

Organizations can register to host a resource table by visiting: https://sanandreasregional.seamlessdocs.com/f/iyzhom5reis2

To register for the run, visit: https://www.raceentry.com/7th-annual-superhero-summer-festival-and-5k-walk-run-roll/race-information

*There is a cost associated with this event.*
Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services Department provides free training to all Educators in Santa Clara County. The Kognito Mental Health and Wellbeing training is online, self-paced, and 30-50 minutes long depending on the course. This training focus on social-emotional curriculum with topics including but not limited to trauma-informed practices, bullying prevention, safe and caring schools, and more.

To learn more or register, visit: https://na.eventsc cloud.com/ereg/inactive.php?eventid=753141

Educators are encouraged to view the grant opportunities available to them.

To view them, visit: https://sccoe.to/GrantOpportunitiesforEducators
Interested in becoming a credentialed teacher? If you hold an AA degree or 48 college credits and you want to become a classroom teacher. Join our Classified School Employee Teacher Credential Grant Program and receive an annual $4000 stipend towards your tuition for completing a bachelor's degree and teaching credential!

To learn more, visit: [https://eppscholar.sccoe.org/portal/applications/applicationProfile.do?method=loadApplicationIndex&applicationProfileId=29714597](https://eppscholar.sccoe.org/portal/applications/applicationProfile.do?method=loadApplicationIndex&applicationProfileId=29714597)

**Health & Wellness**

As the weather warms up, and more activities are outdoors, it is important to focus on sun safety for the whole family. The CDC has recommendations for people who are planning on spending time in the sun this summer.

To view the recommendations, visit: [https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/sun-safety.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/sun-safety.htm)
The Santa Clara County Library District, Silicon Valley YMCA, and Second Harvest Food Bank of Silicon Valley are hosting Lunch at the Library this summer at the Morgan Hill and Gilroy Libraries. This is an opportunity for families or caregivers of youth ages 0-18 to receive free, nutritious meals for their youth.

To learn more about how to receive free meals, visit: https://www.shfb.org/get-food/
The California Health and Human Services Agency and California Public Health Department have resources available for LGBTQ+ and all youth regarding mental health. There are suicide prevention resources, LGBTQ+-specific resources, resources for families, and more.

To view these resources, visit: https://www.chhs.ca.gov/youthresources/

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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 committed to serving, inspiring, and promoting student and public school success. The SCCOE is a premier service organization driven by the core principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, and partnership. For more information about the Santa Clara County Office of Education, please visit www.sccoe.org and follow us @SCCOE on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

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