Santa Clara County
Office of Education

Weekly Round-Up

COVID-19
AUGUST 12, 2020

EQUITY | DIVERSITY | INCLUSION | PARTNERSHIP

Message from the SCCOE Superintendent, Dr. Dewan

Hello Everyone,

For many in Santa Clara County, this week begins the first week of school. This year, it is the first time in our lifetime that we are presented with the challenge to begin the school year outside of a school building during a pandemic. County and country-wide, we continue to adjust to how we as community leaders, teachers, staff and parents will support our students and families. It requires us to think about academics and school preparation as new opportunities to share knowledge and instruction in incredibly creative ways that compel us all to learn and grow.

Although we are not meeting in physical classrooms, we remain steadfast in our effort to provide students with safe and equitable learning environments. This not only improves students' capacity for learning, it increases their ability to find their voice, express themselves and learn about who they are in this world. As we open our minds to new possibilities and opportunities this school year, we remain adamant about ensuring the safety of our students, families and communities -- it is our top priority! Please maintain risk-reduction hygiene practices like hand-washing, wearing face covers and physical distancing, to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Be well!

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan
County Superintendent of Schools

Resources for Schools and Districts

Schools Reopening Forum-Hosted by County Supervisor Susan Ellenberg and Board President Cindy Chavez

Friday, August 14th from 3:30 to5:00

Register here, and to please submit questions here.
This event is for and open to Students, Parents, Teachers, Staff, Administrators, and anyone interested!

Empower Homebuyers-First Time Homebuyer Program

Thursday, September 10th, 3:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m

Santa Clara County Office of Education is proud to host a free homeownership webinar about the Empower Homebuyers SCC program with the County of Santa Clara and Housing Trust Silicon Valley!
Learn about this down payment assistance program and how it can help you become a first-time homebuyer in Santa Clara County. Funded by the 2016 Measure A Affordable Housing Bond, the program provides down payment assistance loans up to 17% of the purchase price. The program is available for households who have low to moderate incomes. Information regarding this program can be found here, and you must register in advance to attend.

Creating Relationship Centered Schools:
Supporting Students to Thrive in Distance Learning
CA1 CEPIP Institute. Presented by: Geordee Mae Corpus & Najla Gomez Rodriguez

 September 2, 2020 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Registration is free, click here to register

Learning Outcomes:
•Learn and apply the framework of Relationship Centered Schools to your work

•Dive into the experience of students through different levels of data, particularly street level data by hearing directly from the student panelists.

•Acquire new tools to address implicit bias and center student voice in distant learning and the virtual classrooms to close opportunity gaps for the most impacted students

7th Annual Inclusion Collaborative State Conference is Coming!!
The 7th Annual Inclusion Collaborative (VIRTUAL) State Conference will take place September 23-24, 2020.

Registration here:

Culturally & Linguistically Sustaining Instruction through My Name, My Identity Webinar
Thursday, August 13th 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

This webinar will provide an overview of a free online course to prepare for back-to-school with ready to use lesson plans co-created by classroom teachers in grades K-12. This course will guide you through the pedagogy and applications that engage your students so they understand the importance of name, self-identity,and the positive impact they can make on their learning community in a hybrid learning, distance learning, or traditional face-to-face environment. Technology tools to support the pedagogy will also be introduced. To register click here.

The Power of Blended Learning from the SCCOE

The SCCOE offers a variety of online courses for educators that support learning in the current environment through the use of technology and innovative best practices. We are pleased to release ***The Power of Blended Learning*!** This course highlights the considerations classroom teachers should address when preparing for a blended learning environment. When best practices are adhered to, blended learning provides students greater personalization in their learning. Whether addressing learning during a health crisis or natural disaster or looking for strategies that best serve student learning at any time, this course will guide you through the pedagogy and applications that engage your students in content and skills.

The course is free and self-paced, approximately 8 hours in length, and includes resources you can use to extend your learning. It qualifies for one unit of graduate credit from University of Pacific at $80.

If you are interested in experiencing **The Power of Blended Learning** in e-book format (not as a course), access it at bit.ly/blendedsccoe

---

SCCOE Learning Resource Portal

Everything for teachers in one place. Learn tips and tricks for setting up virtual classrooms, access lesson resources, and take advantage of free professional learning. The resources found on the portal have been created, curated, or reviewed by the Professional Learning & Instructional Support teams at the Santa Clara County Office of Education. Please check back often on the site as these resources are updated regularly. View the site here.

SCCOE Stronger Together

The Stronger Together - Recovery and Reopening Guide represents preliminary guidance and considerations from the Santa Clara County Office of Education in partnership with Santa Clara County Public Health Department and is provided to inform local decision making processes. As more is learned, the guidance in this document will be updated with the latest recommendations. To find out more please visit the Stronger Together web page.

California Department of Education-CDE Webinars and Updates

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Announces Major Collaboration with Apple and T-Mobile to Connect Students in Need (August 5, 2020)

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond and Digital Divide Task Force Connect School Leaders to Available Devices as Learning Resumes (August 5, 2020)

Upcoming Webinars:

Perspectives on English Language Learning: Aída Walqui in Conversation with Leading Scholars (Series from July 14 to August 20, 2020, at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays)

WestEd presents this free webinar series that will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. (interviews with Australian scholars will be at 3 p.m.) starting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, and concluding on Thursday, August 20, 2020. Teachers, education leaders, teacher educators, teacher professional developers, and researchers are encouraged to attend. Register for each webinar in the series separately at the link below.
Register on the WestEd Perspectives on English Language Learning: Aída Walqui in Conversation with Leading Scholars web page.

California State University (CSU) Systemic Inequities Webinar (Friday, August 14, 2020, at 10 a.m.)
The CSU is sponsoring a series of four live webinars that are appropriate for all educator preparation faculty, supervisors, and current educators. All live webinars take place from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The webcasts will be recorded.
This webinar is facilitated by Dr. Zulmara Cline, the statewide California Academic Partnership Program director, and focuses on dismantling systemic inequities in our schools and building schools that work for all students.
Register on the CSU Educator Preparation and Public School Programs Live

Webcasts Registration page at https://bit.ly/CSUwebinars.

CSU Retaining Educators of Color Webinar
(Friday, August 21, 2020, at 10 a.m.)
The CSU is sponsoring a series of four live webinars that are appropriate for all educator preparation faculty, supervisors, and current educators. All live webinars take place from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The webcasts will be recorded.

This webinar is facilitated by Dr. Ernest Black, the Systemwide Director for CalState TEACH, and focuses on lessons learned from the field.

Register on the CSU Educator Preparation and Public School Programs Live Webcasts Registration page here.

California Collaborative for Educational Excellence-CCEE

Distance Learning Resources
Free online modules to support the transition to distance learning. Presented by experienced e-learning educators, the Distance Learning Strategies series introduces topics for administrative teams preparing to design and implement distance learning plans to meet local needs to support teachers and expedite student access to online instruction. Each module is 60 minutes and introduces a distance learning topic and effective strategies for implementation. Click here to access these great resources.

Continuity of Learning Playbooks
The two playbooks were created to assist LEA leaders planning for teaching and learning in this new COVID-19 context: the Distance Learning Playbook and the Hybrid Learning Playbook. Each suggests nine areas of focus to guide planning: setting goals, creating schedules, communicating with families, assessing student needs, supporting social-emotional learning, building capacity, supporting English language learners, supporting students with special needs, and leveraging ancillary programs. Both offer practical, easy-to-understand resources, tools, and tips for leadership teams to consider adopting. As equity should underline everything we do as educators, we offer equity considerations throughout. Click here for the playbooks.

#Comeback California
Is a campaign designed by CCEE to spotlight local educational agencies' (LEAs) collaborative approaches to getting California's students back to school. It focuses on sharing tools, resources, and practices to leverage partnerships and facilitate dialogue among LEAs to support each other during the pandemic. Find out more here.

K-12 Online Teaching Academy from the Connie L. Lurie College of Education at San Jose State

Connie L. Lurie College of Education has established a free K-12 Online Teaching Academy to support pre-service teacher candidates and current teachers to

strengthen their online teaching skills and adapt to current circumstances. Each webinar will feature a 60-minute presentation and conversation on a different topic with a current educator and include 30-minutes for attendees to engage in conversation with one another to expand their knowledge, resources, and networks.

Watch the Webinar Recordings

Resources for Addressing Racial Inequity

Creating the Space to Talk About Race in Your School

This four page article from the National Education Association Ed Justice gives 10 ways you can create the space to talk about racism in your school. Creating the space is the first step to making changes.

Black Lives Matter at School

The national Black Lives Matter At School coalition's created a Curriculum Resource guide related to the 13 principles of Black Lives Matter. The resource guide is free, and has downloadable lessons to challenge racism, oppression and build happy and healthy classrooms. Click here for the guide.

D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice A Project of Teaching for Change

The mission statement from D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice: D.C. Area Educators for Social Justice is a network of educators who seek to strengthen and deepen social justice teaching. We are community of mutual support for educators to collaborate on curriculum, professional learning, and activism. We challenge systems of oppression through anti-bias, anti-racist, and multicultural education. We work with students, families, and other educators in and outside of our classrooms to create a more just and equitable world.

The Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture

The Smithsonian launched Talking About Race, a new online portal designed to help individuals, families, and communities talk about racism, racial identity and the way these forces shape every aspect of society, from the economy and

politics to the broader American culture.

The online portal provides digital tools, online exercises, video instructions, scholarly articles and more than 100 multi-media resources tailored for educators, parents and caregivers—and individuals committed to racial equality.

[Teaching Tolerance](#)

Cultivate positive identity formation, encourage students to confront racial and ethnic injustice, and prepare them to live and work together in a diverse world. Resources and webinars can be found on the Teaching for Tolerance [webpage](#).

[Talking About Racism and Violence: Resources for Educators and Families](#)

Resources from the link above can help promote deeper understanding around issues of racism and violence. They may also help contribute to discussion of these topics with colleagues and students, even through distance learning.

Talking to Young Children about Race and Racism

Resources, tips, and tools to foster meaningful conversations about race, racism, and being anti-racist from PBS. To learn more click [here](#).

21 Anti-Racism [videos](#) to share with children from We are Teachers.

Book List to Support Conversations About Race with Children

Embracerace.org has a list of 31 books to help support conversations about race with children. Click [here](#) to find out more information.
Young adult social justice book list click [here](#).

Public Health Updates

CDC Guidance

Emerging evidence suggests a significant number of people may be infected with COVID-19 who are asymptomatic and capable of spreading the virus to others. People are now considered to be infectious 48 hours before the start of their symptoms until their isolation period ends. This makes social distancing and

frequent hand washing even more critical.

- [CDC guidance:COVID-19 Symptoms](#)
- [CDC guidance:COVID-19 Protection](#)
- [CDC guidance: FAQ's](#)

California Department of Health Updates

On June 5, 2020 the CDH released it's COVID-19 Industry Guidance for Schools and School-based programs. To find out more click [here](#).
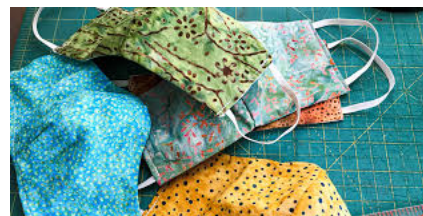
Santa Clara County Health Department

The Santa Clara County Health Department's risk reduction order took effect on Monday, July 13th. To find out more click [here](#).

- [School Guidance](#)
- Santa Clara County Health Department: [FAQs](#)
- Santa Clara County Health Department: [COVID 19-Dashboard](#)
- [Spanish](#)
- [Vietnamese](#)
- Guidance for all Businesses [here](#)
- Tips for keeping customers and employees safe [here](#).

Guidance on Face Coverings

The Santa Clara County Health Department requires you to wear a face covering whenever you are at a business (even if it's an outdoor business) as an employee or a customer, and whenever you are on public transit. Businesses must post signs reminding you to wear a face covering when you are at their facilities. At all other times when you are out in public, you are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering.

Please [click on this link](#) for more valuable information and guidance about face coverings from the Santa Clara County Health Department.
An emergency care doctor explains when to wear a face mask, and how to do it the right way. Watch the video [here](#).

Free COVID-19 Testing Sites

With more than 50 sites open across Santa Clara County, the Public Health Department continues to help more people get tested for COVID-19. To find a location near you click [here](#).

Overfelt High School (Gymnasium)
1835 Cunningham Ave
San Jose, CA 95122
Tuesday thru Friday, Aug 11-14, 1 pm to 6 pm
Saturday, Aug 15, 9 am to 2 pm

South County Annex (formerly Antonio Del Buono Elementary)
9300 Wren Avenue
Gilroy, CA 95020
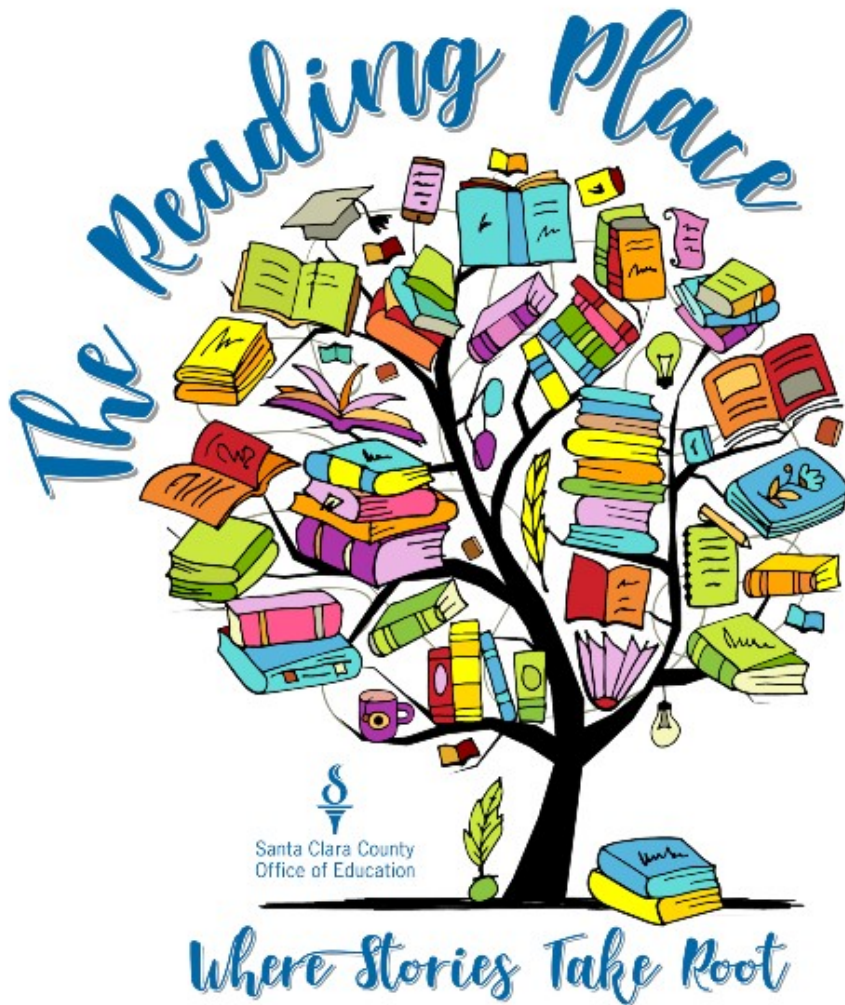Tuesday thru Friday, Aug 11-14, 10 am to 4 pm

Social Distancing Protocols

All Essential Businesses are required to prepare, post, and implement a [Social Distancing Protocol](#) at each of their facilities at which they are maintaining operations. Please read the complete order from the Santa Clara County Health Department. To help protect yourself if you are out in public remain a minimum of six feet in distance from others, use face coverings, and wash your hands as frequently as possible.

Resources for Families

The Reading Place by the Santa Clara County Office of Education

The Reading Place, where SCCOE employees, partners, and friends promote reading aloud, and share their lifelong love of reading. Check out the many stories by clicking [here](#).

Great Plates Delivered

The "Great Plates Delivered" program connects older adults across California to meal delivery services. Santa Clara County seniors and other adults at high risk from COVID-19 can access the program at [mysourcewise.com](#) or by calling 408-350-3230 (option 1). For more information visit [siliconvalleystrong.org](#)

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR GPD

Participant Eligibility Requirements (coordinated by Sourcewise):

- Must be 65 or older or high-risk. High-risk includes those who are COVID-19 positive, COVID-19 exposed as documented by a public health official or medical professional or individuals with an underlying condition

- Must live alone or with one (1) program-eligible adult; must not be currently receiving assistance from other federal nutrition assistance programs

- Receive no more than $74,940 in income for a household of one (1) and $101,460 for a household of two (2), this equates to 600% of the federal poverty limit
- Must affirm an inability to prepare or obtain meals

San José Virtual Recreation Center Information

The Virtual Recreation Center from the City of San José's Department of Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) provides free online educational and recreational resources for families during the shelter-in-place. This includes ways to socially connect through livestream leisure classes; videos to explore beloved PRNS destinations like Happy Hollow Park & Zoo; creative outlets in cooking, drawing and making music; and activities to care for your physical and mental health through exercise, sports and guided meditation. Visit the City's Virtual Recreation Center for daily activities and over a hundred fun resources: bit.ly/sjvirtualrec.

Community Resources for Youth, Families, and Individuals Impacted by COVID-19

If you, a family member or someone you know has been impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and need food assistance, health services, financial help, legal assistance or other support services, there are some available resources that can help. Many of the services are available to all members of our community, regardless of ability to pay or immigration status. Please click here to find out more.

California Parent and Youth Helpline

The California Parent and Youth Helpline provides support and resource referrals to parent and youth during the current COVID-19 pandemic, 7-days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Call or text 1-855-4APARENT (855-427-2736) for services in English, Spanish and other languages. For more information, please visit: https://caparentyouthhelpline.org/

Uplift Family Services

The Uplift Family Services' Mobile Crisis Team provides 24-hour intervention to children and teens in the community who are in acute psychological crisis. To access the 24-hour/7 days a week crisis line call 1-408-379-9085 or call toll-free 1-877-41-CRISIS (412-7474).

Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)

The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) is part of the federal government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. For information and FAQ's about FFCRA please use the links provided. Information and FAQ's

Meal Resources for the Community

Throughout Santa Clara County there are a variety of resources available to the community. Please visit SCCOE's webpage to see local districts' meal distribution, as well as the City of San Jose's Silicon Valley Strong page that has a map of meal availability across the county.

News from the Santa Clara County Office of Education

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.

Subscribe to the SCCOE Weekly COVID-19 Roundup.

1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, CA 95131
To learn why you received this and how to remove yourself from the list, see Privacy Policy
Review/edit information about you | Unsubscribe

Generated by MARKET VOLT **Learn more**