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SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

IMPACT Weekly

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

Dear Santa Clara County Community,

Educators are vital and versatile contributors in the lives of young people. They are more than instructional leaders. Teachers are thought partners, cheerleaders, and resources to the greater community.

Each year, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) honors the Stars of Education at its Teacher Recognition Ceremony. This annual celebration is in its 53rd year and will be held on October 23 at the Campbell Heritage Theatre. To learn more, visit: <https://sccoe.to/TRC>

I'd like to share my appreciation for the educators past and present in Santa Clara County – thank you for everything you do. To those pursuing a career in education, your work will make a meaningful impact.

If you or someone you know would like to make a difference in the lives of our county's youth, consider stepping into education. Employment opportunities include classified, or non-credentialed roles, and certificated, credentialed roles. Substitute positions provide flexible schedules and increased opportunities to learn a variety of roles. To learn more, visit: <https://sccoe.to/jobopps>
The work of our educators is extraordinary and appreciated immensely. Thank you.

We are #StrongerTogether.

Be well,

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



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SCCOE News



Visit the [SCCOE Newsroom](#) for the latest news and updates.

- [Santa Clara County Office of Education Honors LGBTQ+ History Month](#)
- [Santa Clara County Office of Education Announces 2023 Teachers of the Year](#)

Community News and Resources

INCLUSION COLLABORATIVE

Santa Clara County Office of Education

INCLUSIONEERS INNOVATE!

Early-Bird pricing through July 31!

10th Annual Conference | October 24-26, 2023

innovation & creativity
early childhood care & education
equity & inclusive practices
universal design for learning
anti-bias & social justice

Inclusion Collaborative State Conference

The Inclusion Collaborative State Conference is a hybrid, 3-day professional development opportunity focused on creating or enhancing equity, diversity, and inclusive practices. It is focused on all individuals involved in the care and education of individuals up to age 24, with or without disabilities.

To learn more, visit: <http://bit.ly/2023ICSC>



Fire Prevention Week

This week is Fire Prevention Week. The National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) and Sparky the Dog remind families that we all must be safe while cooking. Did you know that cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries?

To learn more, visit: <https://www.nfpa.org/fpw>



World Food Day

As World Food/Hunger Day quickly approaches on October 16, there are organizations that need volunteers. Second Harvest of Silicon Valley has opportunities to volunteer to help distribute food ahead of the holiday season.

To learn about how to volunteer, visit: <https://www.shfb.org/give-help/volunteer/>

School District News and Resources



Teacher Recognition Celebration

Districts within Santa Clara County are encouraged to attend the 53rd Annual Teacher Recognition Celebration on October 23 at the Campbell Heritage Theater. This event honors and celebrates teachers within our county.

To learn more, visit: www.sccoe.org/trc



MAKERSPACE 
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SCCOE Makerspace

The SCCOE Makerspace is a hands-on learning environment where students and educators can develop critical thinking skills through designing and making with a mix of materials and technologies.

To learn about how to become a Maker, or more information, visit: <http://www.inclusioncollaborative.org/makerspace.aspx>

Or you to fill out the interest form, visit: <https://forms.gle/CZ324WZtmHVGWWA27>

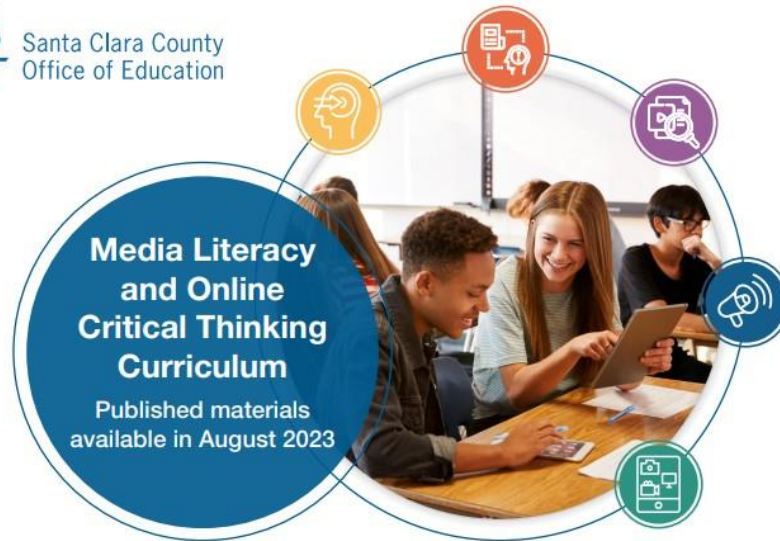
The advertisement features a dark purple background with white and teal text. At the top left is the 'News Literacy Project' logo, followed by the 'checkology' logo and the text 'For CA educators'. The main headline reads 'Join us for a free eight-part webinar series centered on news and media literacy skills.' Below this, it states 'THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 3:30 - 4 P.M. PT'. A teal box on the left contains the text 'FREE WEBINAR SERIES'. At the bottom right, the title 'News and Media Literacy for All' is displayed.

News and Media for All

TK-12 educators and educators who are in their first 5 years of teaching science are encouraged to join the SCCOE for the New Math and Science Teacher Community of Practice. During these virtual sessions, attendees will have access to resources for science educators, learn best practices, network with other science professionals, and help make a positive impact on student learning in science and math.

The next virtual session is on October 9 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To learn more or register, visit: <https://na.eventscLOUD.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=754665&>

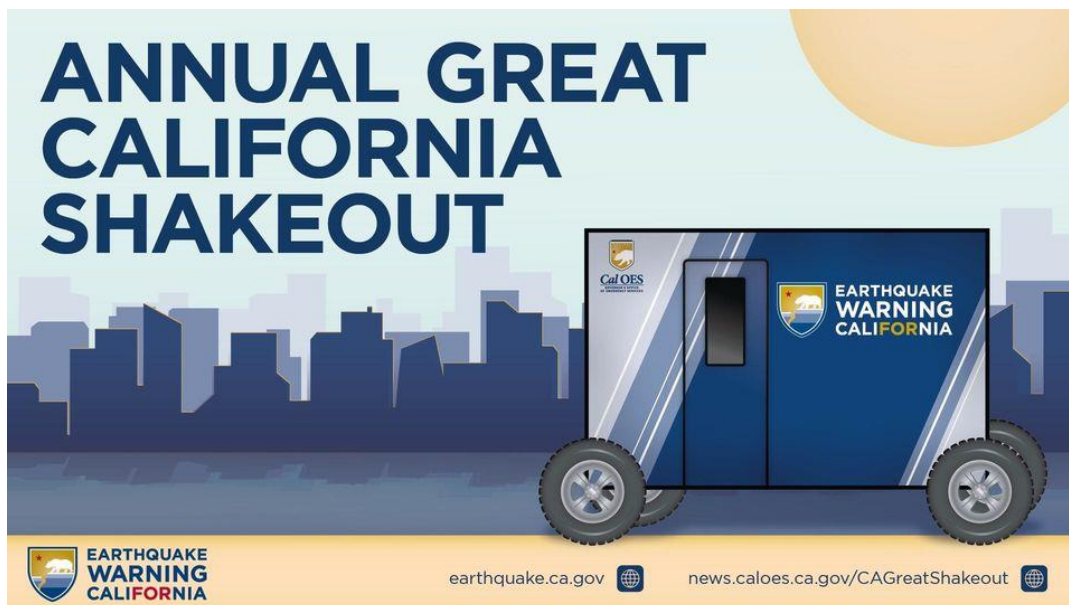


Media Literacy and Online Critical Thinking Curriculum

The SCCOE has released a guidebook for adults to teach youth about social justice-centered media literacy. This material is free and available in both English and Spanish.

To learn more or view the guidebook, visit: <https://scoe.to/medialit>

Health and Wellness



Annual Great California Shakeout

Each year the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services hosts the Great California Shakeout. On October 19, it is encouraged that Californians practice how to stay safe during an earthquake.

To learn more about this annual event, visit: <https://news.caloes.ca.gov/cagreatshakeout/>



Healthy Living Fair

Sacred Heart Community Service is hosting a Healthy Living Fair on October 15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event will be at Sacred Heart Community Service at 1381 S 1st Street, San Jose. This free fair will provide free screenings and information, including blood pressure, hearing tests, eye exams, and more.

Where can you get this year's flu shot and updated COVID shot?

- **Talk to your doctor** to make an appointment
- **Find a pharmacy** near you

Find a location near you
sccphd.org/ProtectThem

Santa Clara County
PUBLIC HEALTH

The graphic features a dark blue background with colorful floral patterns at the bottom and the Santa Clara County Public Health logo in the bottom right corner.

Vaccines

The County of Santa Clara Public Health Department has information about where to obtain a flu shot and updated COVID-19 shot.

To learn more, visit: <https://publichealth.sccgov.org/protect-them>

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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