

WE ARE ONE WEST CONTRA COSTA



with **Superintendent Cheryl Cotton**



OCTOBER 6, 2025

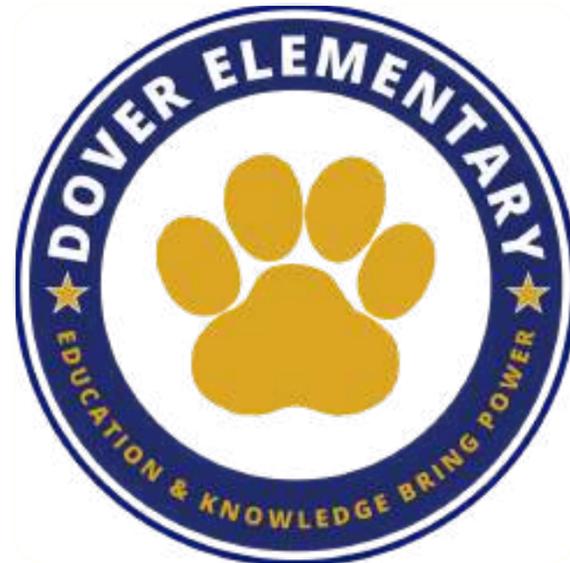
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Community Schools



Bayview Elementary



Dover Elementary



Downer Elementary



Lake Elementary



Riverside Elementary



Helms Middle School

Community Schools Offer:

- Community, Family, Student, and Staff Engagement
- Integrated Systems of Support
- Collaborative Leadership
- Expanded Learning programs

Community Schools Leadership Teams:

- School Community Outreach Worker (elementary)
- Community School Director (Beacon Director)
- Expanded Learning Coordinator
- Stipended Community School Teacher Lead

New Literacy Coach Reading Specialist Grant Recipients!

Prior WCCUSD LCRS Recipients of the grant included, Bayview, Dover and Downer Elementary Schools. The LCRS program provides funds to LEAs to develop literacy programs, hire and train literacy coaches and reading specialists, and provide targeted interventions for students needing literacy support.



Bayview Elementary School



Dover Elementary School



Downer Elementary School

Reading Difficulties Risk Screener

West Contra Costa Unified School District adopted mCLASS DIBELS (and mCLASS Lectura for Spanish) as the district's universal screener to meet the requirements of SB 114 and the state's Reading Difficulties Risk Screener (RDRS) mandate.

- Ensures every student in grades K-2 is screened for foundational reading skills.
- Designed to identify early signs of reading challenges.
- Provides teachers with real-time, actionable data that highlights which specific literacy skills students have mastered and where they need support.
- Early identification allows WCCUSD to strengthen its Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS).
- Sets a strong foundation for literacy by catching challenges early

 **Preventing long-term reading difficulties**

 **Opens doors for all students to thrive academically.**



Two New Math Adoptions

Elementary



Secondary

Amplify Math +
desmos classroom

Both aligned to the rigor of the CCSS and focus establish a conceptual understanding of math (the why) rather than only relying on procedural skills (the how).

By solving problems that occur in the real world, students are better prepared for college and careers.



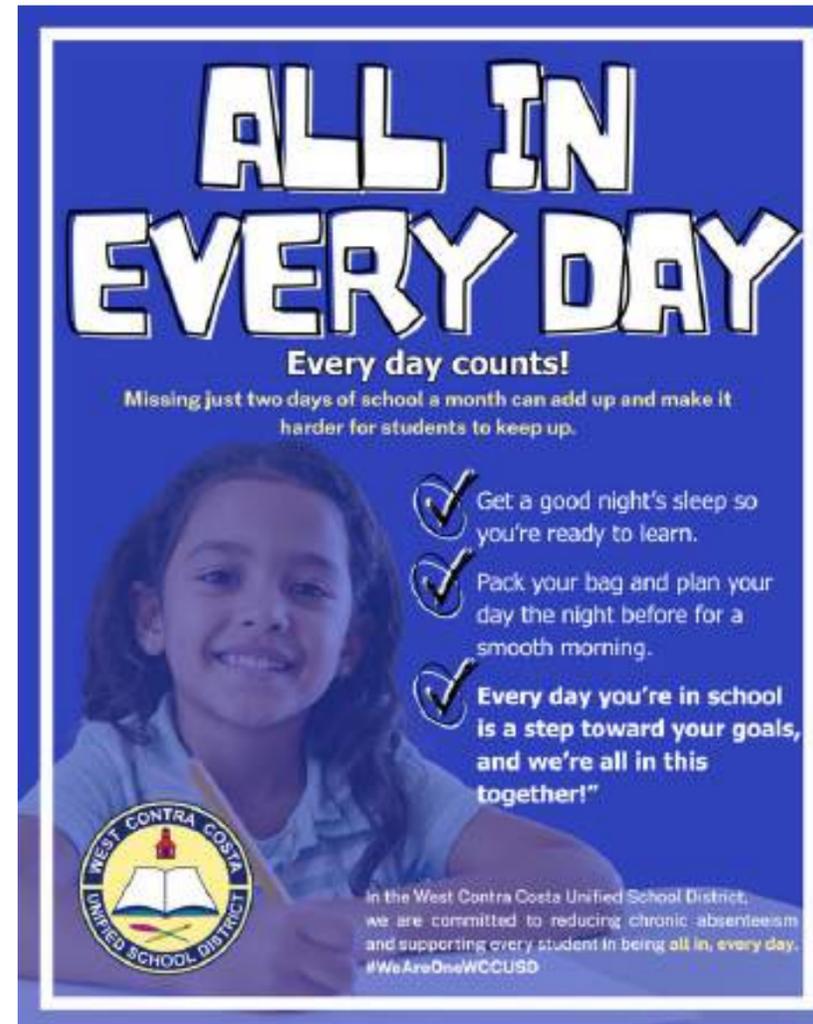
Attendance Advocacy

Systems Change Collaborative

WCCUSD staff participated in a planning session with Supervisor John Gioia two weeks ago to prepare for the first collaborative meeting of the year, focusing on attendance. Our first Systems Change Collaborative with city leaders from across West Contra Costa on **October 14, 2025.**

Attendance Task Force - Cross-departmental task force came together earlier this month to initiate an ongoing work to address the challenges of chronic absenteeism.

Schools and Neighborhood Action Team (SNAT), made up of West Contra Costa based community partners, facilitated a root cause analysis session focused on WCCUSD chronic absenteeism. This work is rooted in targeted universalism, an equity framework that centers the development of universal goals through targeted strategies.



California Department of Education (CDE) Guidance



Our Schools Toolkit: Resources to Include Immigrant Families

Your information is safe with us.

Many documents can be used to verify your child's age and residence for enrollment, including a home energy bill, rental lease, or pay stub. By law, you do **not** need to share your child's immigration or citizenship status to enroll them in school.

Ed. Code § 34130, Ed. Code § 48041

“What’s new in state law?”

AB 49 prohibits school personnel from disclosing or providing any records or information about a student, a student's family and household, a school employee, or a teacher to an officer or employee of an agency conducting immigration enforcement without a valid judicial warrant or judicial subpoena, or court order directing the local educational agency or its personnel to do so.



Our Schools: Tools for Including Immigrant Families

Our Schools. Our Kids. Our California.

Need someone to talk to?

California mental health resources like BrightLife, Soluna, and 988 are safe, anonymous, and confidential for everyone.

BrightLife Kids

BrightLife is a support for families with children of every age and every stage.



soluna
A CASHI Program

Students ages 13 and older and their families can access Soluna here.



Our Schools: Tools for Including Immigrant Families

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All students at this school have a right to education

- Regardless of immigration status
- Regardless of citizenship status
- Free from discrimination
- Free from harassment
- Free from bullying
- Free from violence
- Free from intimidation

Welter v. DOE, 431 U.S. 302 (1977); Cal. Const. art. I, § 17(1); (Ed. Code § 34130, 34131)

“What’s new in state law?”

Your school district is already required to have a policy in place to make sure that students have access to education regardless of immigration status.

The California Attorney General has published guidance for local policies.

Per **AB 49**, any officer or employee of an agency conducting immigration enforcement is prohibited from entering this school without a valid judicial warrant, judicial subpoena, or court order. Additionally, all local educational agencies will be required to update local policies to limit assistance with immigration enforcement and ensure that public schools remain safe and accessible to all California residents.

Per **SB 98**, the school must update their safety plan and notify families and staff if any immigration enforcement occurs at a school site.

To see the Attorney General's guidance and additional resources, scan here:



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Visitors and Volunteers

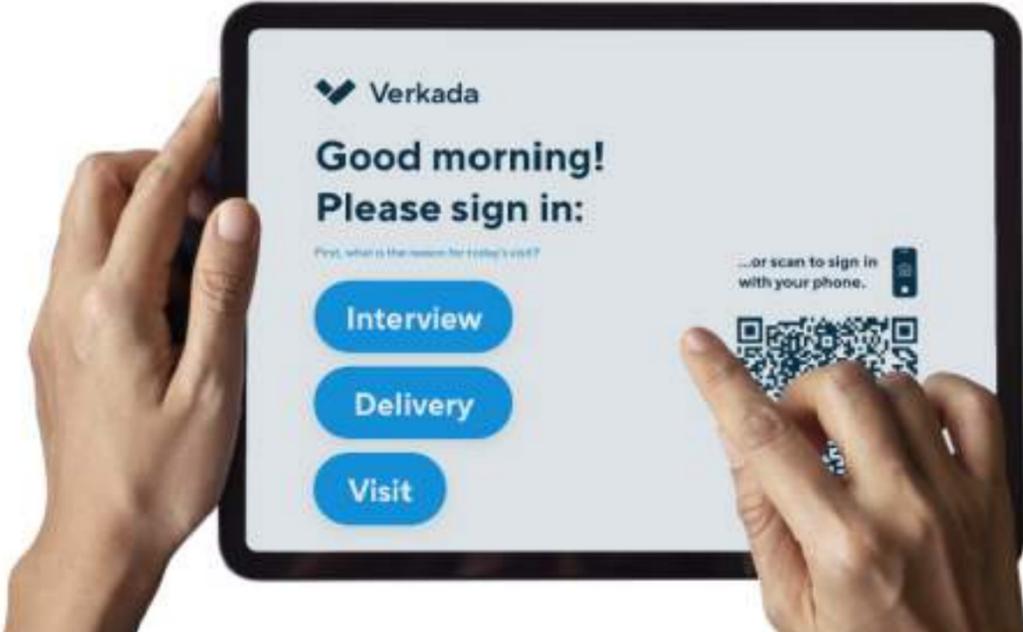
WCCUSD has a new sign-in system for families and volunteers.

Beginning October 15, 2025, the district will be moving the volunteer clearance process to school sites.

All volunteers will now be required to submit documentation of a cleared TB screening from a physician. Volunteer clearance will also include an annual renewal to ensure records remain up to date.

Parents/guardians who have children at multiple schools will need to submit their application for each school. This process encourages faster clearance at each site!

Thank you for your partnership and for helping us maintain a safe, supportive learning environment for all students.



AGENCY	WEBSITE	CONTACT
Contra Costa County	TB Testing Providers	(925) 313-6740
La Clinica Monument	La Clinica Website	(925) 363-2005
Contra Costa Health	Contra Costa Health Website	(925) 608-5350
LifeLong Medical Care	LifeLong Medical Care Website	(510) 981-4100

Free or low-cost clinics that offer TB screening

San Pablo Bond Projects

Richmond High School Modernization

Complete modernization of the campus, including new construction and modernization, in three phases.

Final Completion: 2030

Project Budget: 280 Million

Architect: DLR

Contractor: BHM

Lake Elementary School Campus Rebuild

Lake Rebuild project was a multi phase replacement of the existing campus

Final Completion: December 2025

Project Budget: 65 Million

Design Build Team: Alten Construction supported by Perkins Eastman as the architect



Richmond High School Groundbreaking Ceremony



District leaders, students, city officials, and community members gathered to **celebrate the groundbreaking of Phase 1** of the **Richmond Modernization Project**. The event featured a performance by the **Richmond High School band**, as well as remarks of gratitude and excitement from **school board members, district and school leaders, students, and city officials**.

Richmond High School MODERNIZATION - PHASE 1

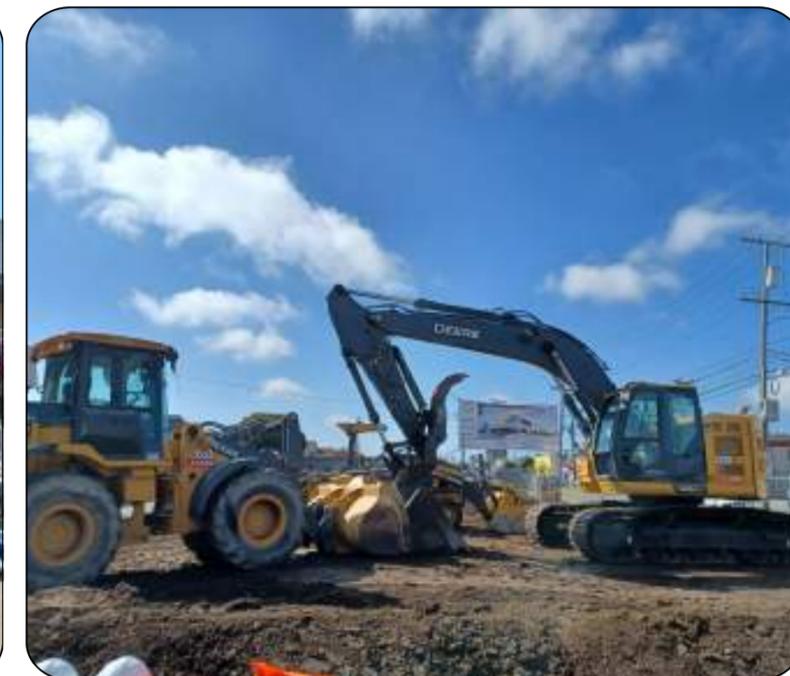
Project Scope

New 60,000 square foot two-story classroom building along 23rd street

- 23 classrooms
- 6 specialized spaces, including a Music wing and specialized learning spaces for Health and Law academies
- Collaboration spaces for students and staff
- All access gender neutral restrooms
- Outdoor Quad
- Atrium with the main stairway and student gathering

Project Details

Contractor: BHM Construction
Architect: CLR Architects

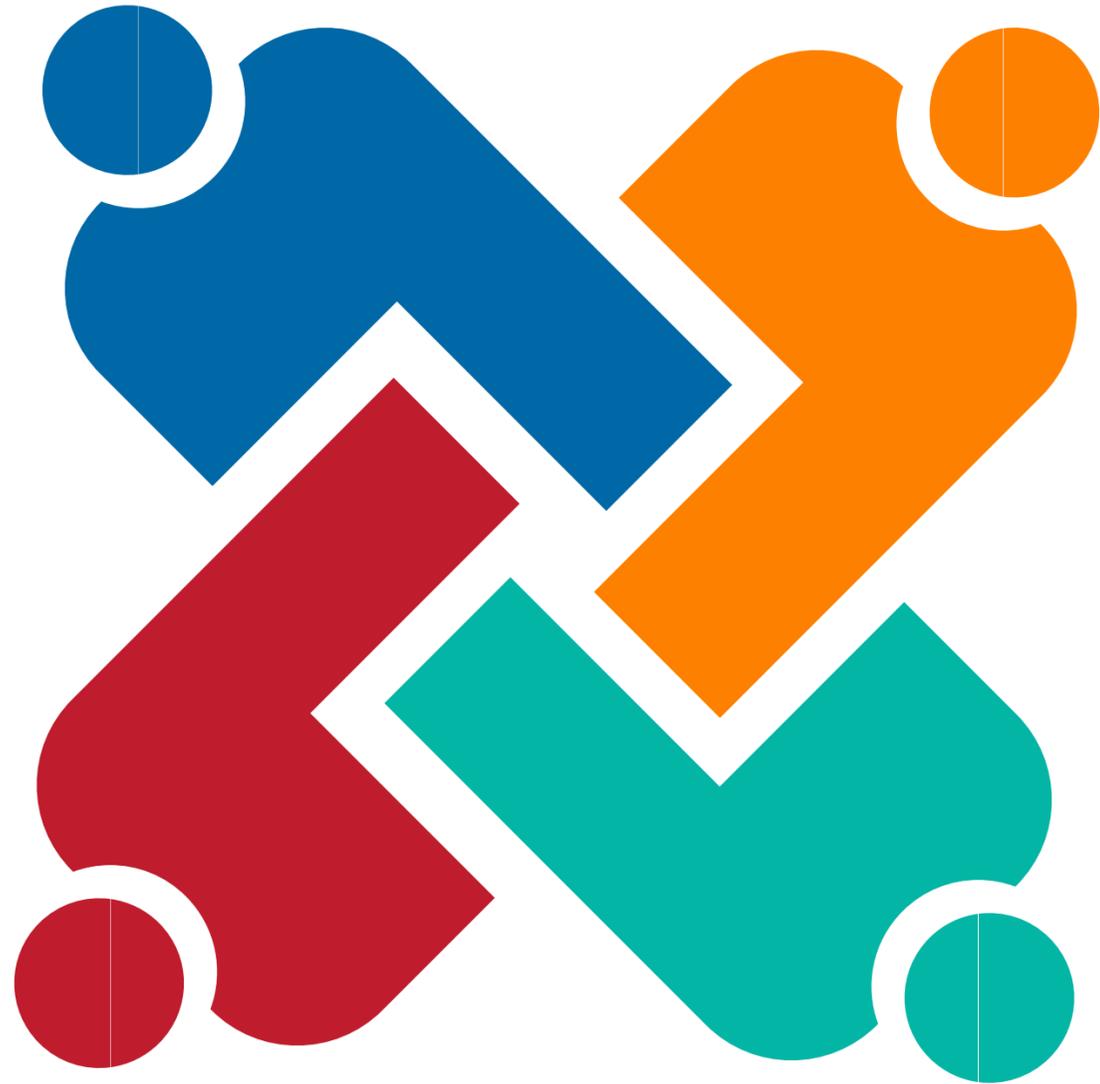


Lake Elementary School

- Kindergarten Complex was open for the first day of school
- Opening November 4th
 - The cafeteria and kitchen building
 - The main playground black top and play structures
 - Staff parking lot and kitchen service area accessed from Manchester Ave.
- Project Completion planned for early December and includes the turf play field, walking track, and student garden
- Ribbon cutting being scheduled for November



Union & Workforce Relations



Negotiations Update

District leadership met on Tuesday, September 30, with Teamsters and UTR for mediation and are moving towards fact-finding in the negotiations process.

We continue to meet with union representatives. We deeply believe in good-faith bargaining and value every member of the West Contra Costa family. As we move through these challenging times, we must keep in mind that We Are One West Contra Costa!

Budget Updates

FISCAL FRIDAYS
Report

One District. One Budget.

Get the latest updates on WCCUSD's budget, fiscal planning, and solvency from the Budget Team.

90 DAY ROADMAP TO STABILIZATION

WCCUSD Budget Facts

WCCUSD has many partners and agencies that support our schools and students. When additional support is granted by a community partner or government agency, the additional funding is funded for 1, 2, or 3 years. Because of the temporary status of these and the specific stated purpose for these contributions, these revenues are referred to as "restricted general funds". Examples of "restricted general funds" are after-school program funds, Community Schools Partnership grant funds, and Literacy Coaches and Reading Specialist grant funds. The "restricted general fund" has a balance of approximately \$100 million in fiscal initiatives over the next five years. However, the WCCUSD operating budget is relying on district reserves to support current ongoing expenses due to a budget

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UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS

DISTRICT BUDGET ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

ALL MEETINGS ARE 6:30 - 8:00 PM DEJEAN MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY

September 30 - Committee Introductions, DBEC Bylaws, School Budgets 101: Unaudited Actuals - The Prior Year's Results

October 28 - Preparing for First Interim: What is SACS? How does SACS support effective accounting?

December 10 - First Interim Reporting Results: What do the numbers say?

December 30 - First Interim: What shifted and Why? What feedback do we have for the BOE

FISCAL STABILIZATION PLANNING MEETINGS

5 Session Series

SESSION 2: EXAMINING BUDGET IMPACT

6:30 - 8:00 PM
September 29, Helms Middle Library
October 1, El Cerrito High Library
October 9, Hercules High Library

SESSION 3: A FOCUS ON GOALS

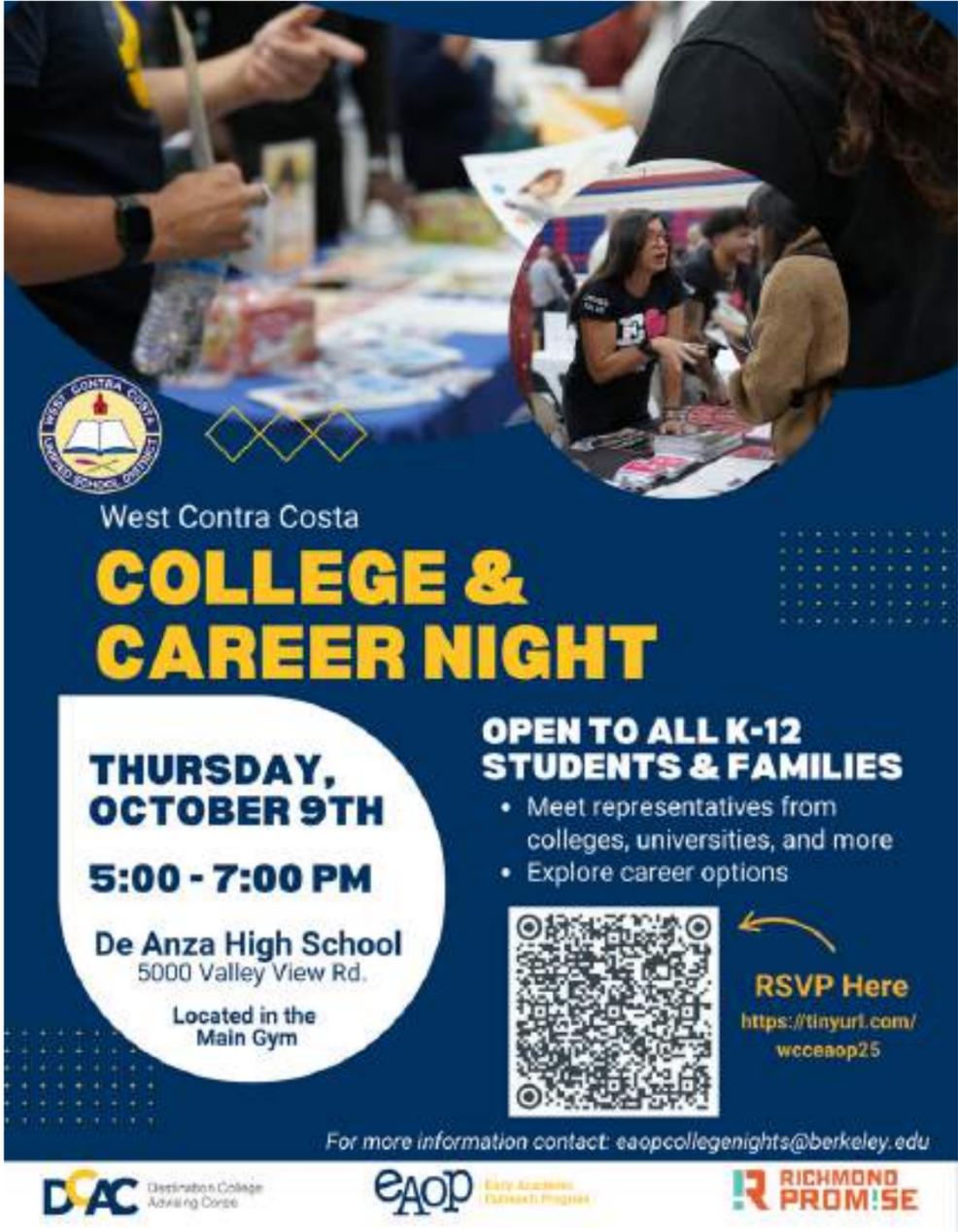
6:30-8:00 PM
October 23, Helms Middle Library
October 27, El Cerrito High Library
November 3, Hercules High Library

Visit <https://www.wccusd.net/business-services> for all meeting dates.

Learn More Email Kmoses@wccusd.net

College & Career Night

October 9, 2025 | 5:00PM - 7:00PM



West Contra Costa
COLLEGE & CAREER NIGHT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH
5:00 - 7:00 PM

De Anza High School
5000 Valley View Rd.
Located in the Main Gym

OPEN TO ALL K-12 STUDENTS & FAMILIES

- Meet representatives from colleges, universities, and more
- Explore career options

RSVP Here
<https://tinyurl.com/wcceaop25>

For more information contact: eaopcollegenights@berkeley.edu

DCAC Destination College Advising Course | **EAOP** Early Academic Outreach Program | **RICHMOND PROMISE**



West Contra Costa
FERIA DE UNIVERSIDADES Y CARRERAS

JUEVES 9 DE OCTUBRE
5:00 - 7:00 PM

De Anza High School
5000 Valley View Rd.
En el gimnasio

PARA TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES Y FAMILIAS

- ¡Ven y conoce representantes de Universidades y Colegios!
- Exploren opciones profesionales

¡Regístrate Aquí!
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Fall Job Fair



JOIN US FOR THE WCCUSD COMMUNITY



FALL JOB FAIR
 Saturday, October 25, 2025
 9AM to 12PM
 DeJean Middle School
 3400 Macdonald Ave. Richmond, CA 94805

Scan QR code to register!
 For more information visit:
www.wccusd.net/hr

APPLY TODAY!

We will be holding on-site interviews! Drop in, bring your resume and speak with someone to get qualified!

We have open positions for:

- Classroom Teachers All subjects
- Teacher Substitutes All grade levels
- Classified Substitutes*
- Classified Vacancies*
- And many more...

You have the opportunity to:

- Meet WCCUSD Staff
- Have your resume reviewed
- Get qualified
- Interview for open jobs

WE'RE HIRING!

*Classified means non-certificated jobs (ie. support aids, campus security, custodians, food services)



ÚNASE A LA COMUNIDAD DEL DISTRITO (WCCUSD) Y PARTICIPE EN LA



FERIA DE EMPLEO DE OTOÑO
 Sábado 25 de octubre de 2025
 9AM a 12PM
 Escuela Intermedia DeJean
 3400 Macdonald Ave. Richmond, CA 94805

escanea el código QR para registrarte
 Para más información visita
www.wccusd.net/hr

¡El Distrito está contratando personal!
Realizaremos entrevistas durante el evento. Visítenos, traiga su currículum y hable con alguien para obtener cualificación.

Tenemos posiciones abiertas para:

- Maestros de aula Todas las materias
- Maestros sustitutos Todas las niveles de grado
- Sustitutos clasificados*
- Vacantes clasificadas*
- Y muchos más...

En la Feria de Empleo tendrá la oportunidad de:

- Conocer al personal del distrito (WCCUSD)
- Revisar su currículum
- Ser entrevistado
- Obtener cualificación

¡ESTAMOS CONTRATANDO!

*Classified means non-certificated jobs (ie. support aids, campus security, custodians, food services)

Public Health Immunization Clinics

Note: These are the updated Contra Costa Health flyers.



Public Health Immunization Clinics

Vaccines Offered

- All routine vaccines, including school-required shots
- COVID (including boosters)
- Mpox
- For travel-specific vaccines, contact your regular provider or a travel clinic

Clinic Locations and Hours

Please note that all clinics close 3--3:30 p.m. for lunch.

Brentwood Health Center
171 Sand Creek Road, Suite A
Hours: Mondays from 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Concord Public Health
2731 Systron Drive, Suite 200
Hours: Thursdays from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Pittsburg Health Center
2311 Loveridge Road
Hours: Tuesdays from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

West County Health Center
13601 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo
Hours: Wednesdays from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, go online to vax.cchealth.org or call us at 925-608-5350.

We give priority to people with appointments. Walk-ins welcome, although slots are limited.

Questions? Call us at 925-608-5350 or visit us online at cchealth.org/immunization

Schedule an Appointment



Clinic Fees

Fees depend on patient age, insurance status and vaccines needed. See our website for details.

Children 18 years and under can receive reduced/no cost vaccine if they are uninsured, have Medi-Cal or belong to Contra Costa Health Plan (CCHP). Adult CCHP members can also get no-cost vaccines.

We accept payment with cash, Visa, Mastercard or ATM debit cards. We do not take checks, American Express or Discover.

Both children and adults with private health insurance and adults with Medi-Cal should see their healthcare provider as our clinics cannot bill these forms of health insurance.

Last Update: 02/26/24



Clínicas de vacunación de Salud Pública

Vacunas ofrecidas

- Todas las vacunas de rutina, incluidas las vacunas necesarias para la escuela
- COVID (incluidos refuerzos)
- Mpox
- Para vacunas específicas para viajes, comuníquese con su proveedor regular o una clínica de viajes.

Ubicaciones y horarios de las clínicas

Por favor, note que todas las clínicas cierran 3--3:30 p.m. para lonche.

Brentwood Health Center
171 Sand Creek Road, Suite A
Horarios: Lunes: 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Concord Public Health
2731 Systron Drive, Suite 200
Horarios: Jueves: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Pittsburg Health Center
2311 Loveridge Rd., East Clinic
Horarios: Martes: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

West County Health Center
13601 San Pablo Ave, San Pablo
Horarios: Miércoles: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Para programar una cita, visite vax.cchealth.org o llámenos al 925-608-5350.

Damos prioridad a las personas con citas. Las personas sin cita previa son bienvenidas, aunque los lugares son limitados.

¿Preguntas? Llámenos al 925-608-5350 o visítenos en línea en cchealth.org/immunization

Programa una cita



Tarifas de la clínica

Las tarifas dependen de la edad del paciente, estado del seguro médico y vacunas necesarias. Consulte nuestro sitio web para ver más detalles.

Los niños de 18 años o menos pueden recibir vacunas reducidas/sin costo si no tienen seguro médico, Medi-Cal o pertenecen al Plan de Salud de Contra Costa (Contra Costa Health Plan, CCHP). Adultos Los miembros de CCHP también pueden obtener vacunas sin costo.

Aceptamos pagos en efectivo, tarjetas de débito de Visa, Mastercard o cajero automático. No aceptamos cheques, American Express o Discover.

Tanto niños como adultos con seguro médico privado y adultos con Medi-Cal deben ver a su proveedor de atención médica, ya que nuestras clínicas no pueden facturar estas formas de seguro médico.

Última actualización: 26 de febrero de 2024

District Policies

- ✓ Cell phone policy
- ✓ Anti-slur and anti-racism policy
- ✓ Immigration policy



Visit our website - <https://www.wccusd.net/departments-and-areas/policies-rights-resources-> to review our policies.

Get Involved

Learn more about these committees at <https://www.wccusd.net/departments-and-areas/committee-information>



Join a Committee		
Committee	Next Meeting Date	How to Join
School Site Council	Check with your local school site	Check with your local school site
African American Parent Advisory Committee (AAPAC)	Check with your local school site	Check with your local school site
African American Site Advisory Committee (AASAT)	TBD	Virtual Meetings
District Local Control Accountability Plan (DLCAP)	October 14, 2025 6:00 PM	We encourage parents who are active in a site-level advisory committees to attend and participate in leadership roles as positions become available
Multilingual District Advisory Committee (MDAC)	TBD	
Community Advisory Committee for Special Education (CAC)	October 9, 2025 6:00 PM	
Dual Language Immersion Parent Advisory Committee (DLI PAC)	TBD	
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC)	October 20, 2025 6:15 PM	
Parcel Tax	Committee Coming Soon	Application Process
Stege Community Meeting	TBD	TBD
District Budget Engagement Committee (DBEC)	October 28, 2025 6:30 PM	In Person: DeJean Middle School (Library) - 3400 Macdonald Ave, Richmond, CA
Fiscal Stabilization Planning Meeting	October 9, 2025 6:30 PM	In Person: Hercules High School (Library) Virtual: https://wccusd.zoom.us/j/92884272077

QUESTIONS?

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