

President's Message:



As a past or current member of Santa Clara Valley PTA you are helping us help other PTAs, particularly low-wealth PTAs, in this area. Thank you so much for your support! We welcome you at our meetings and events, and at Sixth District PTA's events that you may be interested in. Together we are working to make a positive difference in the lives of all children.

- Elena Shea, President

Association Meeting October 27 – Everything But the Kitchen Sink:

We welcome you to come to our fall SCVPTA association meeting, which will be held on October 27, 2018 at 11:00 in the Sixth District PTA office at the Santa Clara County Office of Education, 1290 Ridder Park Drive, San Jose 95131. Look for signage to direct you in the lobby area near the front door. We will adopt goals and a budget for the year, and will elect the nominating committee to propose nominees for our 2019-20 SCVPTA officers. Before and after the meeting (between 10:00 and 12:00) our officers will be on hand to offer assistance and answer any questions local PTA leaders may have to help them in their work. If you might be interested in serving on our board next year, please let us know! Email us at president@scvpta6.org if you are interested or to find out more.

SCVPTA Membership:

To our current members, thank you for joining Santa Clara Valley PTA! If you have not yet joined, we hope you will join our PTA again this year! A membership form that you can mail to us with your payment (\$10 per member) is available online at http://www.scvpta6.org/scvpta_membership_form.pdf. If you would like to join online, you can join through TOTEM at <https://jointotem.com> and search for Santa Clara Valley PTA. Unlike most PTAs, SCVPTA is not associated with a particular school, but we work to strengthen other PTAs in the local area through financial support and mentoring.

Programs Resource Guide:

One of our goals is and has been to assist local PTAs in planning parent education programs. In the spring we completed a Programs Resource Guide that was available at Sixth District's spring training and was printed and sent to PTA councils in Sixth District and to the Sixth District Out-of-Council Chair as a resource to assist local PTAs. The publication is a listing of resources and contact information for organizations relevant to children's well-being that PTAs can utilize when planning programs. We hope it will encourage local PTAs to plan programs that will help their communities.

Teacher of the Year:

The Santa Clara County Office of Education yearly honors teachers chosen from each school district for their outstanding efforts and achievements. This year's ceremony, to be held on

October 22 at the Campbell Heritage Theatre, will honor teachers from throughout the county. Each year Sixth District PTA helps to support the event and provides each honoree with a membership in Santa Clara Valley PTA. We are pleased to participate in celebrating these outstanding teachers. You can learn more about the event at <https://www.sccoe.org/trc/Pages/trc.aspx>.

SCVPTA Leaders at Work:



See SCVPTA's web page at www.scvpta6.org for more information about our PTA.

Please email President Elena Shea at president@scvpta6.org or VP for Communications Dinah Showman at communications@scvpta6.org if you have questions, comments or concerns. ###