

# SANTA CLARA VALLEY PTA

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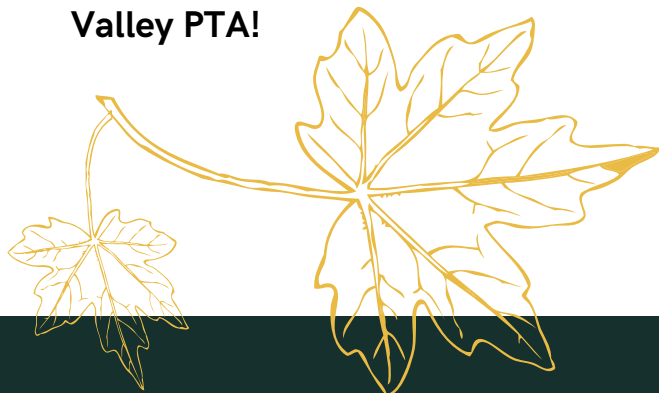


Monday, September 11, 2023



## FALL NEWSLETTER

As we begin the new school year, we are excited to continue our work towards the Goals of the Santa Clara Valley PTA!



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## JOIN US

Association Meeting &  
Program: Wednesday  
September 27, 2023

Program Time: 12:00 noon  
Program Registration

Meeting Time: 1:00 pm  
Meeting Registration



New Partnerships Formed



 Smithsonian

ARTIST: Louis M. Eilshemius, born  
Arlington, NJ 1864-died New York  
City 1941

Smithsonian American Art Museum,  
Gift of Emil J. Arnold  
ca. 1919

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION'S  
EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS &  
MATERIALS

- Hear All About the Smithsonian Institution's Educational Offerings and Materials

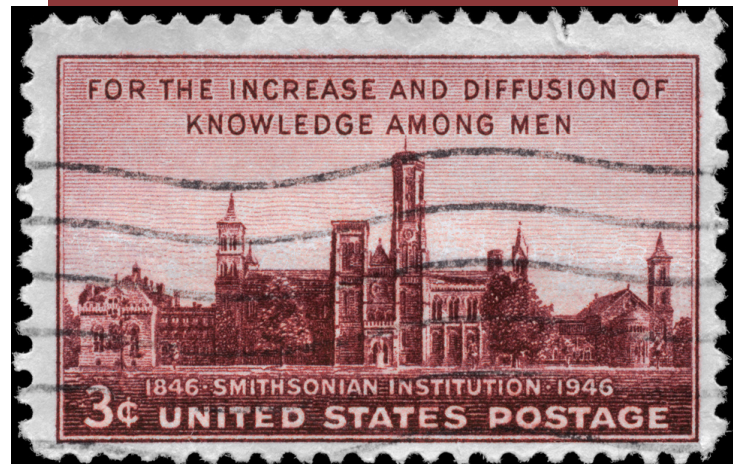
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- Learn how you can use the Smithsonian Institution's educational materials in and out of the classroom to benefit your child, yourself and your community.

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- Join us to hear from **Philippa Rappoport** from the Smithsonian's Office of Ed Tech

Program begins at 12:00  
noon on Wednesday  
9/27/23. Please register  
here: [Program Registration](#)



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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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**WELCOME TO THE  
2023-2024 YEAR!**

Thank you for your support of the Santa Clara Valley PTA. It is through your membership and generous donations that enable us to help other PTAs in the counties served by Sixth District PTA. Since our beginning in 2006, we have offered grants to several PTA units to strengthen their leadership to better fulfill the needs of their students, especially low-wealth schools.

Our current board is a mix of seasoned and energetic younger PTA leaders. Come join our group by doing any or all of the following; serving on the board or a committee, attending our events and meetings, renewing your membership, giving other financial support, or contributing ideas for programs or thoughts to the direction of the PTA. I guarantee it'll be fun working together in any capacity that you engage with SCV PTA!

Thank you for being a member and supporting all our children.

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Naomi Higaki  
SCV PTA President, 2023-2024





## OUR MISSION

THE MISSION OF SANTA CLARA VALLEY PTA IS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT, SUSTAIN, AND STRENGTHEN PTA'S WITHIN SIXTH DISTRICT.

- **Membership** - Strive for minimum of 75 members.

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- **Grant Program** - Help units with financial assistance thru our ongoing grant program.

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- **Advocacy** - Advocate on behalf of children, families and schools in Sixth District and statewide.

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- **Communication** - Modernize communications.

## SCV PTA 2023-2024 GOALS



# OUR BEGINNING



Santa Clara Valley PTA  
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- Santa Clara Valley PTA (SCV PTA) was chartered within Sixth District in 2006 to be a PTA unit untethered to a specific school. SCV PTA is for people who support PTA, whether their children are still in school or have graduated, and for those without children. Our members believe "all children are our children" and through their membership or through remaining active in PTA, they continue to believe in and support PTA's mission

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- One of the original ideas for creating SCV PTA was to expand the capacity of Sixth District PTA by being able to do PTA unit tasks that a District PTA cannot do.

# SCV PTA FALL 2023 GRANT PROGRAM

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Santa Clara Valley PTA has been supporting PTAs across Santa Clara, and more recently, Monterey and Santa Cruz counties through its grant program since our charter in 2006.

## 2023-2024

This fall we will be reaching out to units at low-wealth schools to help them with family engagement and leadership support for a more successful year. In January, we will have a second round of grants for PTAs at low-wealth schools.

Grants of \$50 - \$200 will be available for PTAs to use for membership drives, parent education, online meeting tools/costs, officer training, and other needs.

We are grateful for all our members who allow us to support so many other PTAs.

## DURING 2022-2023

We provided nine grants to PTA units. PTAs used their grants last school year to help cover costs for the following items: Family Picnic event, MyPTEZ software, Membership Drive prizes, Winter Festival, Anti-Sugar Campaign, and a Parent Education Series.

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Thank you! Darice, Naomi, and  
Wendy SCV PTA Grant  
Committee

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# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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Election season -  
PTA is Nonpartisan

PTA must never support or oppose political parties or candidates, including those running for school boards on nonpartisan slates.



## IMMUNIZATIONS



As we enter the beauty of Fall & Winter, we also enter the cold and flu season.

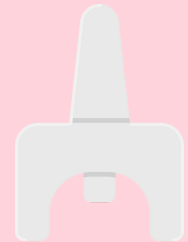
CDC recommended Immunization schedule can be found [here](#).

Be safe, be well!



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## NARCAN TRAINING



Public Health Agencies are offering training to learn how to use Naloxone to help save the life of someone who has overdosed.

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[California Department of Public Health](#)

[CDC: Naloxone-How to save a Life with Naloxone](#)

[County of Santa Clara - Behavioral Health Services](#)

[County of Santa Cruz - Health Service Agency](#)

[San Benito County - Behavioral Health Department](#)

[County of Monterey - Health Department](#)





# ARTS EDUCATION FUNDING FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Californian's passed Prop 28 last November -  
How does your school get a piece of the pie!

**Stronger Arts Education Improves the Lives of All Children**

Guaranteed funding for arts education will support all kids. In the past, many schools have cut arts education even though studies show that the arts keep students in school, increase the graduation rate, increase academic performance, and add to students' ability to create, collaborate, think critically, and communicate.

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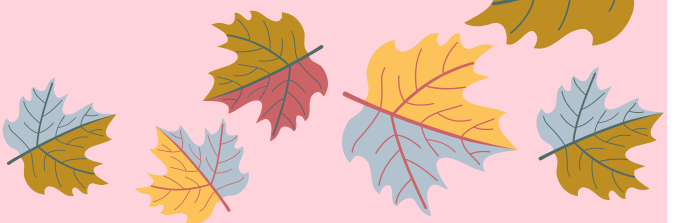
## **New Opportunities for Art Education: Action, Resources and Tools for Advocates - Create CA**

Parents, students, teachers and community members - join us to learn about ready-to-use advocacy tools that will support communication with school leaders and help to raise awareness about the opportunities of Proposition 28. You have an essential role to engage with school leaders to ensure funds are used to expand current arts education programming. Create CA, CA PTA, Arts for LA, Friends of Sacramento Arts and Arts Education Alliance of the Bay Area want to connect with you and offer guidance on calls to action for Prop 28.

[Two Virtual Training Options t- 9/19/23 10-11 am or 9/21/23 6-7 pm](#)

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# JOIN SANTA CLARA VALLEY PTA

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## Member Perks

Your membership also comes with money-saving perks! Click on perks to see more info.

## It's Easy to Join!

For a downloadable membership form please visit our website, or join online at Totem by scanning the QR code above!

Join Our Team

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Santa Clara Valley PTA is 51 members strong!

Every membership supports our grant program that helps local PTAs enrich their communities. Our grants support family festivals, health campaigns, ledger software for treasurers, and more! Please encourage a friend to join Santa Clara Valley PTA because every member helps us do more together!

Tiffany Landry, VP of Membership

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