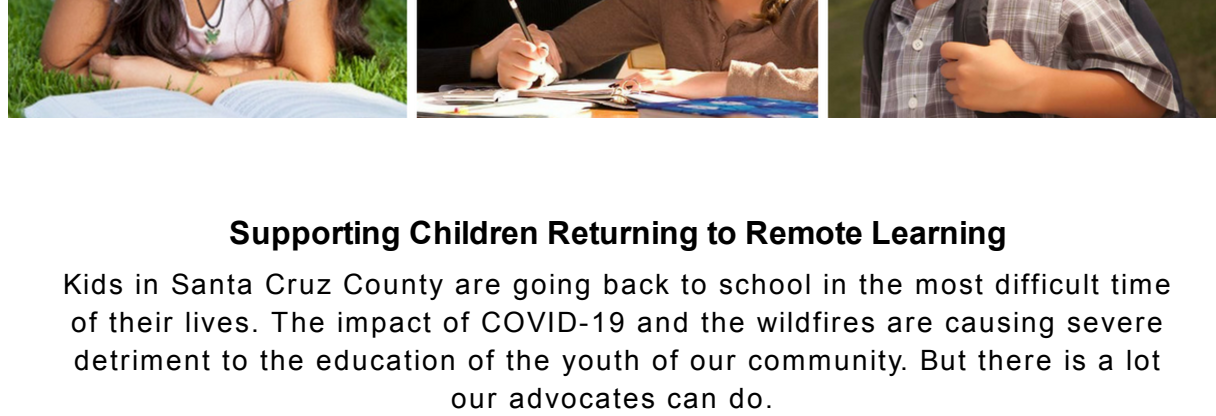




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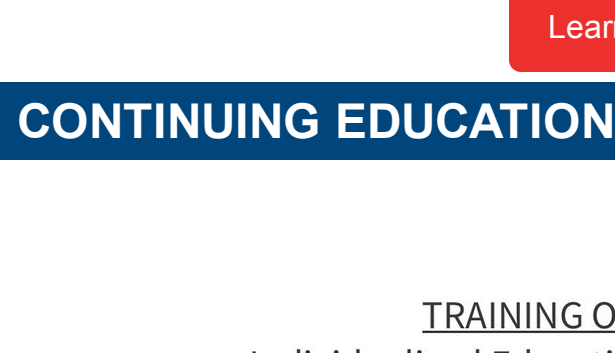
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Supporting Children Returning to Remote Learning

Kids in Santa Cruz County are going back to school in the most difficult time of their lives. The impact of COVID-19 and the wildfires are causing severe detriment to the education of the youth of our community. But there is a lot our advocates can do.

[Learn More](#)



Still Seeking Request for Proposals

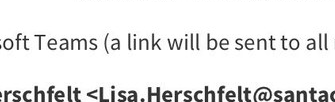
CASA of Santa Cruz [invites proposals](#) from qualified applicants interested in entering into a contract to perform consulting and training services related to organizational equity, diversity and inclusion transformation.

[Learn More](#)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Individualized Education Program (IEP) Basics



Jennifer Lucas, from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Central Coast Office, will return to Santa Cruz to provide a remote training covering important information regarding how to advocate for students with IEPs.

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) is established by state and federal law as an independent state agency to ensure that people with developmental disabilities and their families receive the supportive services they need.

October 8th from 9am-12:00pm

Via Microsoft Teams (a link will be sent to all registered participants)

Email Lisa Herschfelt <Lisa.Herschfelt@santacruzcounty.us> to [register](#)

SEND ANY **QUESTIONS** IN ADVANCE TO JULIA FELDMAN
<Julia.Feldman@santacruzcounty.us>

Please register for this important training by [October 2, 2020](#).

*This training is approved for STC credit.

Webinar: Strengthening Families Using a Racial Equity Lens with Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D., MSW

This webinar will present on how history has shaped our child welfare system and, inadvertently, created negative outcomes for families of color. This training material will center on the role of implicit bias in child welfare decisions.

Target audience: CASA/GAL Staff and Volunteer Advocates

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020

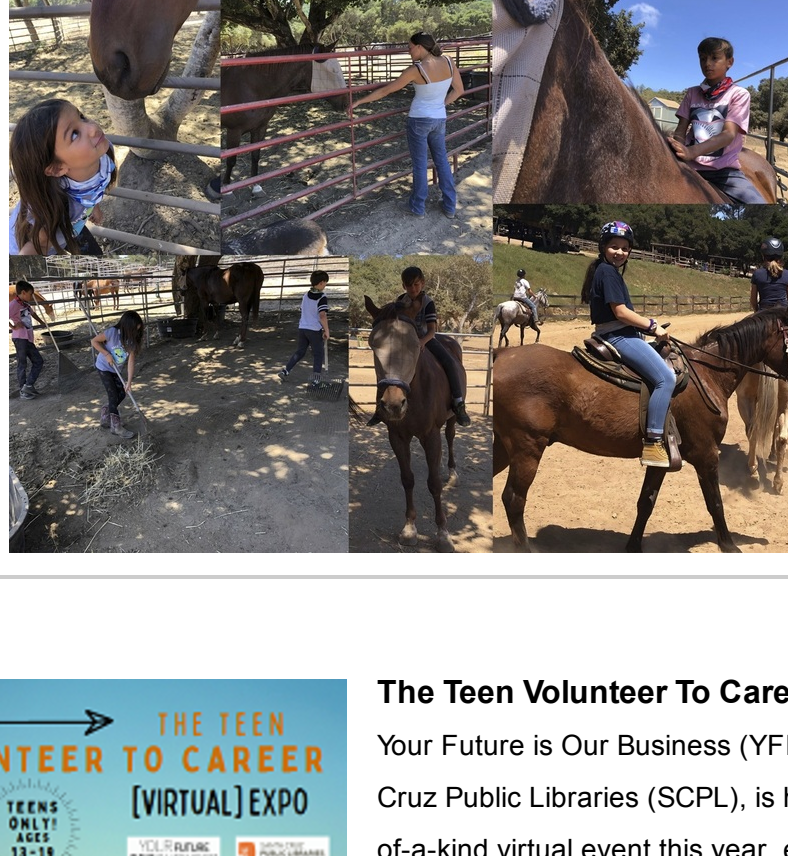
Time: 2 – 3:15 p.m. PT | 5 – 6:15 p.m. ET



[Register](#)

EVENTS

Meet the CASA Horse Rooster!



The Teen Volunteer To Career Expo

Your Future is Our Business (YFIOB) & Santa Cruz Public Libraries (SCPL), is hosting a one-of-a-kind virtual event this year, exhibiting

presenters, community organizations, and online resources to empower teens with community service opportunities. Get virtual access to local leaders sharing real-life stories of how volunteering can connect, inspire, and inform your future career path.

[Learn More](#)

It's Hispanic Heritage Month!

Learn and celebrate with a collection of webinars and activities.



[Learn More](#)

A Variety of Resources and Activities During Shelter in Place

Santa Cruz School District Resources:

Lots of home resources for parents -- museums, field trips, painting, story telling

<https://dlearning.santacruzcoe.org/families/home-activities>

Learning content resources - by subject area

<https://dlearning.santacruzcoe.org/educators/content-area-resources>

LGBTQ resources for families

<https://dlearning.santacruzcoe.org/lgbtq-resources>

Social / Emotional Wellness for families

<https://dlearning.santacruzcoe.org/families/mental-health-and-wellness-for-families>

Free and Low cost internet & internet coverage maps

<https://dlearning.santacruzcoe.org/families/free-and-low-cost-internet>

Fun / Interesting animal & nature videos:

Unlikely Animal Friends

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tb2Drh0IXG4>

30 Golden Retrievers having a pool party

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WgJ-2ODSlw>

An albino moose swimming in the river

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9WnLz26Bwc>

More Unlikely Animal Friendships

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K_FpO5oxn5Y

People helping animals

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0eyl9YJl3N4>

National Geographic Exploring Ocean

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/ocean-portal/>

Watching a Glacier Calve

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hC3VTqIPoGU>

Zoom class games - some are for groups but could modify for 1-1:

Ice breakers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0yIUga2VB4w>

Guess the Sounds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n1m4h79JZso>

Guess the Disney voice

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IB0HYM9rPvQ>

Learning Resources:

Kahn Academy -- lots of great resources here used by millions of teachers and parents around the world. Some resources available in Spanish. Click through the home page video and click on 'Courses' in the top left to get to resources page.

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Free online learning resources by grade and subject (for when you're trying to help your kiddo with Common Core Math homework and aren't feeling smarter than a 5th grader):

Circle Time - video resources

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsO1jePSb_q1hbBk81aZdg9TeED_LLcd

Common Sense Media -- Open Schools:

<https://wideschool.org/programs/family/PreK-5/>

RazKids -- some free samples

https://www.raz-kids.com/main/CampaignSamples/Id/6/without_header/

ABCmouse -- Educational games, puzzles, songs - can try free for 30 days

<https://www.abcmouse.com/ab/homepage?8a08850bc2=T1828500951.1596067166.4588>

Biblionasium -- Age appropriate leveled reading online books -- links to school library

<https://www.biblionasium.com/#parent-sign-up=1596071197>

Art/Eclectic:

Kids Art Hub -- drawing & folding paper surprises

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=kids+art+hub+folding+surprise

Glue Dust Painting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1BU5aCKVoQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WElQIS8570>

View from a giant container crane

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E0RCXNz5RQI&t=64s>

Unconventional Artists

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zphHCuLUy>

Unique Art Techniques

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iTvpXa15RZl>

Coding & Career:

Introduction to Coding

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5bXW_gEJl8

Coding for Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOsdfrBrNdk>

Coding for Kids in Python

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uzyiCpsS0gQ>

Girls Who Code -- Free summer coding academy

<https://girlswhocode.com/>

Road Trip Nation Youtube channel - interesting career exploration

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IB0HYM9rPvQ>

Book lists:

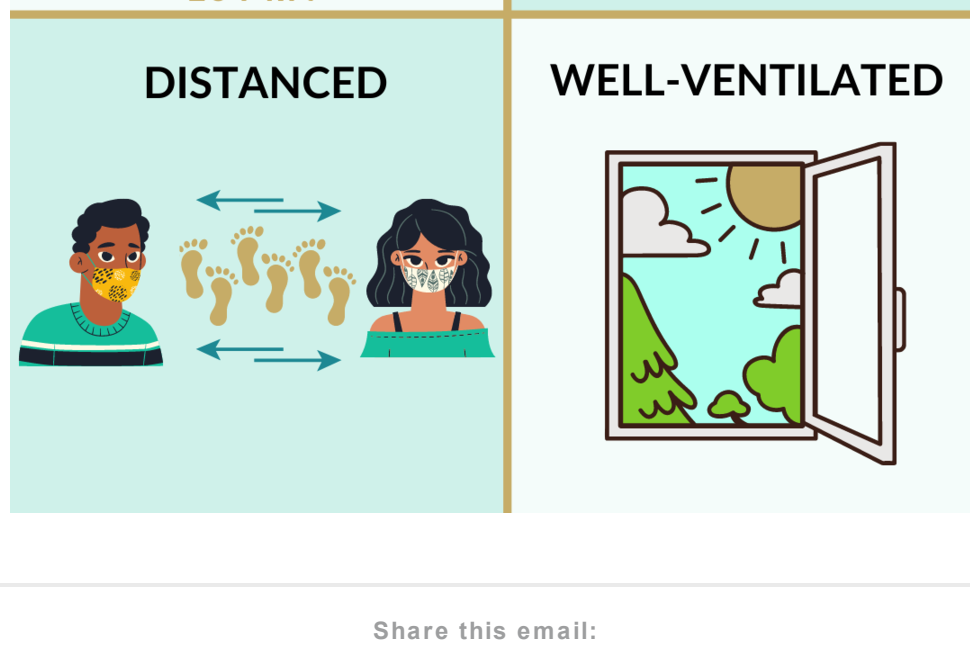
American Library Association lists - young adult reluctant readers lists

<http://www.ala.org/yalsa/quick-picks-reluctant-young-adult-readers>

Teen/YA reluctant readers

<https://bookriot.com/20-ya-books-older-teen-reluctant-readers/>

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