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Milpitas Unified School District and the City of Milpitas Make Preparations for Safe Reopening

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COVID-19 Testing in Milpitas

Milpitas's mobile COVID-19 testing program has now tested more than 550 patients, an important step in a safe reopening of Milpitas and the Bay Area. The mobile testing site is currently funded to run through August 7. Appointments for mobile testing are made by City staff, as well as managers of essential businesses or care facilities with high-risk populations such as mobile parks or elderly care centers. Individuals can also make their own appointment [online](#) or by calling (408) 586-3434, the City's dedicated phone line for COVID-19 resources. Please note that patients with insurance coverage by Kaiser Permanente are not able to be tested at this time.

Santa Clara County is also operating a fixed COVID-19 testing site at the Milpitas Library parking garage. City staff will be supporting expanded hours at the County testing site through August 7 to expand the testing capacity. Testing is available from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Residents will be able to book appointments for themselves online or over the phone. Learn more about testing eligibility and how to get tested on the [County website](#).

On June 10, the County issued a new order on [testing](#). The new order requires hospitals and clinics to offer COVID-19 testing to all persons with or without COVID-19 symptoms who have been exposed to COVID-19 or who are at higher risk of exposure such as those who:

- work in high-risk settings;
- frequently or routinely traveling by mass transit; or
- attending a mass gathering of 100 or more individuals in the 14 days prior to presenting for testing.

MUSD Successfully Completes School Year - Seeks Parent and Community Input for Fall Planning

As we celebrate our students' successes from the 2019-20 school year, we must also continue to plan ahead and shape education for our 2020-21 school year. MUSD now has two ways for you to participate:

- Share your perspective in our Community & Parent Survey 2020-21: Continuity of Learning in MUSD. Please complete this short survey today to make sure your voice counts. Survey is available in [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Vietnamese](#) and [Chinese](#).
- Join one of our subcommittees for 2020-21 planning. Please email us at musd-supt@musd.org, with your name, email, phone number, name of school your child attends, if any, and the subcommittee focus area you are interested in working on: Safety; Support for parents; Support for students; Special education; Mental health; Needs of vulnerable students; English learners.

Videos available of COVID Advisory Committee Report, Budget Study Session at June 9 MUSD Meeting

To view the June 9, 2020 MUSD Board of Education Meeting that included the COVID Advisory Committee report on reopening plan for the 2020-21 school year and was preceded by a Budget Study Session, click [here](#).

SJECED to Host Virtual Town Hall

The San Jose-Evergreen Community College District (SJECED) Milpitas Extension will host a [Virtual Town Hall](#) from 5–6 p.m. on Monday, June 15. Topics include “What is happening at the Extension?”, “What college services are available?”, “What summer programs are being offered?” and more. The Zoom conference link can be found [here](#).

Library Reopening

Santa Clara County Library District will begin offering contactless curbside service on Monday, June 15th at all eight libraries. Patrons can go [online](#) to place holds on materials then make an appointment to collect their requested books and movies from the library.

The Library team is busy preparing for this new service in the very safest way possible. Library buildings have been cleaned, new processes are in place and staff are adhering to all the public health guidelines. Check out this [quick video](#) on how this exciting new service works.

In addition, the video recording of the May 19 special meeting on COVID-19 is still available. To view, click [here](#). All MUSD board meetings can be watched live on Zoom. The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 23, with public session at 7 p.m.

Small Business Assistance – Paycheck Protection Program Updates

On Friday, June 5, President Trump signed into law [H.R. 7010](#) – the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act (PPPFA). The PPPFA changes improve several provisions in the original PPP loan program enacted as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Overall, the PPPFA provides flexibility to borrowers attempting to maximize the benefits provided by the PPP, especially small businesses who need more assistance and flexibility.

The PPPFA provides the following key changes to the PPP loan program:

- Extends the time to spend PPP loan proceeds from 8 to 24 weeks or December 31, 2020, whichever is earlier.
- Reduces the percentage of the PPP loan proceeds that must be spent on payroll costs from 75 percent to 60 percent.
- Extends the time to rehire employees and restore wages from June 30 to December 31, 2020.
- Provides up to 10 months after the PPP loan period ends to apply for loan forgiveness.

- Continues availability of payroll tax deferral regardless of loan forgiveness.
- Extends the repayment term on new PPP loans originated on or after June 5 from 2 years to 5 years.
- Extends the deadline for applying for a PPP loan from June 30 to December 31, 2020, subject to the availability of PPP loan funds.

If you have any questions or need business assistance during COVID-19, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Economic Development team by sending a message anytime to BusinessAssistance@ci.milpitas.ca.gov.

Food Distribution Programs

MUSD's [Summer No Cost Grab & Go Meals](#) for youth ages 0–18 began on June 8 and will run through June 30, with bi-weekly distributions continuing at three new school sites at Rose Elementary, Pomeroy Elementary, and Curtner Elementary. The Student Nutrition Department has distributed more than 200,000 meals to local families through its No Cost Grab & Go Meals program during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On June 6, the Second Harvest Food Bank held its latest Drive-Through Food Distribution event at the Milpitas High School. Close to 40 volunteers served 690 households in need. This was an increase of 90 households from the last distribution. The site will continue to be open on the first and third Saturdays of each month through August 1st.

The Great Plates Program is fully in operation and has provided 16,294 meals to 937 residents in Santa Clara County each week from Monday through Friday. There are currently 51 Milpitas residents enrolled, an increase of 20 since last week, and FEMA has extended funding for the program until July 10th.

The Senior Center continues to offer “to-go” lunches during the COVID-19 pandemic. During the week of June 1–June 5, the Senior Center served a total of 460 “to-go” meals to seniors for an average of 92 meals served a day; total number of meals served since March 17 is 4,033. To date, 96 seniors have formally registered for the Senior Nutrition Program since the Shelter-in-Place Order was started in March.

Since the Shelter-in-Place Order, the Senior Center has enrolled 132 senior participants in the local Meals on Wheels (MOW) program through the County of Santa Clara. Seniors enrolled in the Meals on Wheels Program receive 14 meals a week plus a few grocery items delivered to their home. Staff continues to make personal phone calls to regular participants and the broader Senior Center membership regarding the Meals on Wheels program seeking to arrange healthy meal delivery to vulnerable seniors who are sheltered in-place.

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MUSD Coronavirus Webpage: [MUSD Coronavirus Webpage with Updates](#)

City of Milpitas Coronavirus Webpage: [City of Milpitas Coronavirus Updates](#)

Public Health Website: <http://sccphd.org/coronavirus>

Public Health Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/sccpublichealth/>

Public Health Instagram: @scc_publichealth

Public Health Twitter: @HealthySCC

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