

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION



GATEWAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Serves expelled students in grades 6-12 from across Ventura County with rigorous academics and essential social-emotional supports.

[EXPLORE GATEWAY](#)

PROVIDENCE SCHOOL

Providence School provides educational services to the minors incarcerated in the Detention and Commitment Housing Areas within the Ventura County Juvenile Justice Facility.

[EXPLORE PROVIDENCE](#)

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK

UPCOMING NETWORK MEETING

Administrators and counselors are invited to a monthly network of support focused on alternative education.



CLICK FLYER TO OPEN

SEPTEMBER 17

Gateway Community School

200 Horizon Circle | Camarillo, CA 93010

3:00-4:00 PM Meeting | 4:00-5:00 PM School Tour

[REGISTER NOW](#)[VIEW FULL FLYER](#)

SCAN TO REGISTER

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION IN ACTION

[WATCH THE VIDEO](#)

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SEPTEMBER 2026

CURRENT ENROLLMENT IN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

68

TOTAL ENROLLMENT

Gateway

40

Providence

28



VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Dr. César Morales
County Superintendent of Schools

2026-2027 ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK

Administrators and counselors are invited to participate in a monthly network of support focusing on alternative education. Monthly meetings will be held at VCOE and alternative education campuses.



3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Meeting

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Campus Tour/ Networking

09.17.2026 - Gateway Community School, VCOE

10.22.2026 - Frontier High School, OUHSD

11.12.2026 - Renaissance High School, SPUSD

01.21.2027 - TBD

02.11.2027 - Apollo, High School, SVUSD

03.25.2027- TBD

05.06.2027 - TBD

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Register



CAREER EDUCATION CENTER



SPRING PROGRAM OFFERINGS

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

VIEW SPRING APPLICATION DETAILS

AVAILABLE SPRING 2027

INTRO TO PATIENT CARE

QUARTERS 3 + 4

Open to rising sophomores & juniors

ALSO ACCEPTING SPRING APPLICATIONS

- Advanced Naval Technologies
- Certified Nurse Assistant - CEC
- Certified Nurse Assistant - Hueneme HS

ENROLLMENT BY PATHWAY

CURRENT STUDENTS

271

STUDENTS SERVED

Agriculture	15
Healthcare	127
Information and Communication	7
Manufacturing	38
Transportation	84

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QUICK LINKS

APPLICATION PORTAL

COURSE CATALOG

CONTACT & DIRECTIONS

SAVE THE DATE

CCGI Training

Fall Training

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

9:00 am -12:00 pm

Parent Night

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

6:00 pm- 7:00 pm

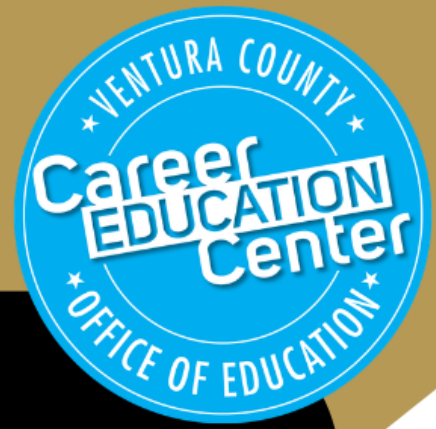
Via Zoom

End of Year CoP

Friday, May 21, 2027

9:00 am- 12:00 pm

More Information to Follow



COUNSELOR CONNECTION

Next meeting scheduled for

OCTOBER 26, 2026

1:30 - 2:30 PM

Zoom Meeting ID:

997 0765 2352

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS



STRONG SCHOOLS. CONNECTED COMMUNITIES.

Community Schools bring districts, schools, educators, students, families, and community partners together to remove barriers and improve student outcomes through a whole-child approach.

THE FOUR PILLARS OF COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

INTEGRATED STUDENT SUPPORTS

Academic, physical, social-emotional, and mental health supports.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Shared leadership and culturally responsive partnerships.

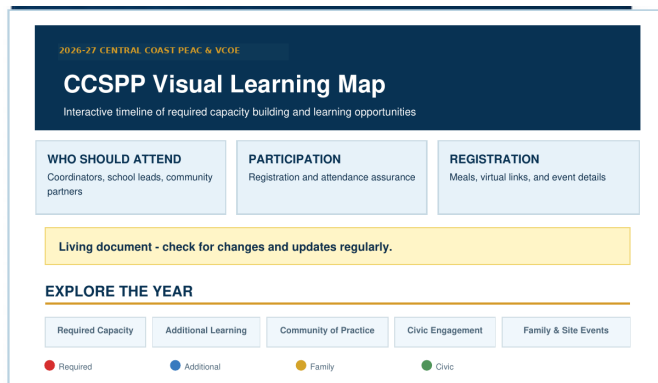
COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP

Collective trust, shared responsibility, and professional learning.

EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Enrichment, tutoring, internships, and expanded learning.

2026-27 CCSPV VISUAL LEARNING MAP



USE THE LIVE LEARNING MAP

Explore required capacity building, communities of practice, family and site events, civic engagement, youth opportunities, and site visits.

[OPEN THE CCSPV VISUAL LEARNING MAP](#)

CCSPV AWARDEES ACROSS VENTURA COUNTY

- [Fillmore Unified School District](#)
- [Hueneme Elementary School District](#)
- [Oxnard Union High School District](#)
- [Santa Paula Unified School District](#)
- [Ventura County Office of Education](#)

CCSPV INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR

SEPTEMBER 23 | 3:00-5:00 PM | VIRTUAL

CDE and S-TAC will share updates on continued CCSPV funding, eligibility, next steps, and the funding formula.

[VIEW WEBINAR DETAILS & REGISTRATION](#)

LEARN MORE & CONNECT

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UPCOMING VIRTUAL TRAININGS

CHARTER BOARD GOVERNANCE TRAINING

TRAINING TOPIC

Brown Act Refresher & Board Complaints

OCTOBER 1, 2026

6:00-7:30 PM | VIRTUAL
ONLINE TRAINING



[REGISTER](#)

DISTRICT CHARTER AUTHORIZER TRAINING

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Assembly Bill 126, including all new charter
authorizer oversight changes

APRIL 1, 2027

9:00-10:30 AM | VIRTUAL
ONLINE TRAINING



[REGISTER](#)

CHARTER AUTHORIZER SUPPORT INITIATIVE (CASI)

CHARTER CHATS

Monthly virtual meetings to discuss the latest information, best practices, and hot topics in charter authorizing.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

10:00-11:00 AM | ZOOM

OCTOBER 28, 2026

10:00-11:00 AM | ZOOM

NOVEMBER 25, 2026

10:00-11:00 AM | ZOOM

DECEMBER 30, 2026

10:00-11:00 AM | ZOOM



[SCAN OR CLICK TO REGISTER](#)

QUESTIONS OR REGISTRATION SUPPORT

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**CHARTER SCHOOLS
RESOURCES & SUPPORT**

FOSTER YOUTH SERVICES



FOSTER YOUTH SERVICES

VCOE strengthens school stability by coordinating services, supporting district liaisons, and connecting students in foster care with records, instruction, and resources.

COORDINATED SUPPORTS

- **SCHOOL & HEALTH RECORDS**
Timely enrollment and placement
- **INSTRUCTION & TUTORING**
Academic support and continuity
- **COUNSELING & MENTORING**
Personal growth and achievement
- **CAREER & INDEPENDENT LIVING**
Transition and life skills

EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS & RESOURCES

Find educational rights and protections for students in foster care, including school of origin, credits, graduation options, and transportation.

[VCOE FOSTER YOUTH RESOURCES](#)

2026-27 EAC MEETING CALENDAR

EXECUTIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL

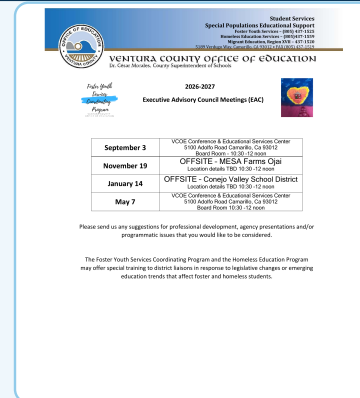
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

SEP 3, 2026

NOV 19, 2026

JAN 14, 2027

MAY 7, 2027



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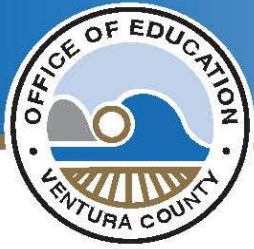
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Special Populations Educational Support**

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5189 Verdugo Way, Camarillo, CA 93012 • FAX (805) 437-1519

VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
Dr. César Morales, County Superintendent of Schools



2026-2027

Executive Advisory Council Meetings (EAC)



September 3	VCOE Conference & Educational Services Center 5100 Adolfo Road Camarillo, Ca 93012 Board Room - 10:30 -12 noon
November 19	OFFSITE - MESA Farms Ojai Location details TBD 10:30 -12 noon
January 14	OFFSITE - Conejo Valley School District Location details TBD 10:30 -12 noon
May 7	VCOE Conference & Educational Services Center 5100 Adolfo Road Camarillo, Ca 93012 Board Room 10:30 -12 noon

Please send us any suggestions for professional development, agency presentations and/or programmatic issues that you would like to be considered.

The Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program and the Homeless Education Program may offer special training to district liaisons in response to legislative changes or emerging education trends that affect foster and homeless students.

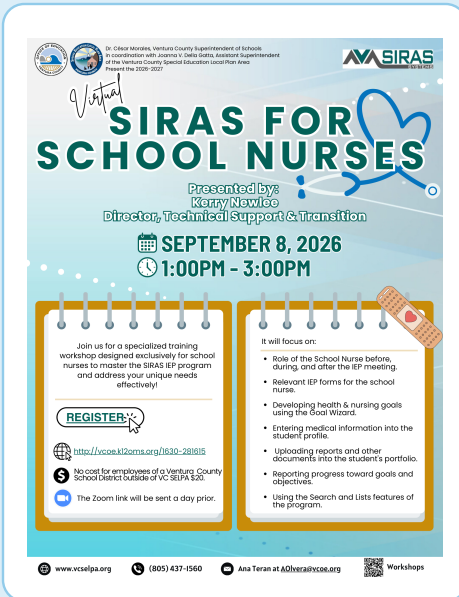
HEARING CONSERVATION



HEALTHY STUDENTS. READY TO LEARN.

VCOE supports school nurses countywide with leadership, resources, technical assistance, and coordinated hearing services that help students stay healthy and connected to care.

SIRAS FOR SCHOOL NURSES



SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 | 1:00-3:00 PM | VIRTUAL

A specialized training for school nurses to build confidence using the SIRAS IEP program - from IEP meeting roles and forms to health goals, reports, progress updates, and search tools.

PRESENTED BY KERRY NEWLEE

Director, Technical Support & Transition

No cost for county district employees.

\$20 outside VC SELPA. Zoom link sent one day prior.

REGISTER FOR SIRAS



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2026-27 HSSPC MEETINGS

SEP 24

1:00-3:00 PM

VIRTUAL

HEALTH SERVICES STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMITTEE

Meeting topics include back-to-school immunizations, vaccine best practices, immunization reporting, and sharing lessons learned.

REGISTER FOR HSSPC



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[HSSPC RESOURCES](#)



Dr. César Morales, Ventura County Superintendent of Schools
in coordination with Joanna V. Della Gatta, Assistant Superintendent
of the Ventura County Special Education Local Plan Area
Present the 2026-2027



Virtual

SIRAS FOR SCHOOL NURSES

Presented by:
Kerry Newlee

Director, Technical Support & Transition



SEPTEMBER 8, 2026



1:00PM - 3:00PM

Join us for a specialized training workshop designed exclusively for school nurses to master the SIRAS IEP program and address your unique needs effectively!

REGISTER



<http://vcoe.k12oms.org/1630-281615>



No cost for employees of a Ventura County School District outside of VC SELPA \$20.



The Zoom link will be sent a day prior.

It will focus on:

- Role of the School Nurse before, during, and after the IEP meeting.
- Relevant IEP forms for the school nurse.
- Developing health & nursing goals using the Goal Wizard.
- Entering medical information into the student profile.
- Uploading reports and other documents into the student's portfolio.
- Reporting progress toward goals and objectives.
- Using the Search and Lists features of the program.



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Workshops

BEGINNING-OF-YEAR LEA CHECKLIST

01 ANNUAL IDENTIFICATION

Administer the annual housing questionnaire and create current-year CALPADS homeless program records from the results.

[ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE](#)[CALPADS FLASH 325](#)

02 EQUITY & ACCESS

Confirm policy and administrative regulations to prevent stigmatization or segregation based on a student's homeless status.

[CDE HE 02](#)[BP / AR 6173](#)

03 CREDITS & GRADUATION

Award full or partial credit and protect eligible transfers' reduced-requirement graduation options.

[CDE HE 17](#)[EC 51225.1 - 51225.2](#)

04 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Maintain written school-selection and enrollment dispute procedures, including an accessible dispute form.

[CDE HE 05](#)[DISPUTE FORM](#)

05 SCHOOL OF ORIGIN

Allow eligible students to remain in the school of origin when required by law and their best interest.

[CDE HE 13](#)[BP / AR 6173](#)

Use the current CDE instrument and locally adopted policy for full requirements.

UPCOMING WEBINAR

SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

IMMIGRANT STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

Educational Rights &
McKinney-Vento Basics

[REGISTER / DETAILS](#)

LEA RESOURCE LINKS

[VCOE HOMELESS EDUCATION](#)[CDE FPM INSTRUMENTS](#)[CA EDUCATION CODE](#)

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MIGRANT EDUCATION



STUDENT & FAMILY EVENTS

- **OCT 3** **SATURDAY SCHOOL ACADEMY BEGINS**
8:00 am-1:00 pm | Various school sites
- **OCT 20** **SCHOOL READINESS BEGINS**
5:30-7:30 pm | Lemonwood School
- **OCT 24** **STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**
9:00 am-1:00 pm | Del Sol High School
- **JAN 30** **REGIONAL FAMILY CONFERENCE**
9:00 am-1:00 pm | RJ Frank Middle School
- **MAR 13** **REGIONAL SPEECH & DEBATE**
8:30 am-5:00 pm | Location TBD
- **APR 30-MAY 2** **STATE SPEECH & DEBATE**
Monterey High School | Monterey County

MIGRANT DIRECTOR MEETINGS

SEPT 3

NOV 12

JAN 7

FEB 4

MAY 6

JUNE 10

9:00-10:20 AM | BOARD ROOM
5100 ADOLFO RD., CAMARILLO

PROGRAMS & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Supplemental support from early learning
through high school

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

School Readiness | Saturday School Academy
STEM Online | Case Management

LEADERSHIP & SUMMER LEARNING

Leadership Summit | Speech & Debate
Summer School | Binational Summer Institute

FAMILY VOICE

Regional Family Conference
PAC | RPAC | SPAC meetings

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VCOE MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM



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CURRENT ENROLLMENT IN MIGRANT EDUCATION

SEPTEMBER 2026

1,756

TOTAL ENROLLMENT

CHARTERS

9

DISTRICTS

1,740

VCOE

7

SPECIAL EDUCATION



VCOE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

VCOE serves students across 19 districts with specialized programs for extensive support needs, behavioral challenges, and autism spectrum needs. Mental health, occupational therapy, and speech services are also available.

19 DISTRICTS

40 CLASSES

9 SITES

AGES 3-22

SPACE AVAILABLE ACROSS ALL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

VCOE is able to serve additional students who require these services.

SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS

- **EXTENSIVE SUPPORT NEEDS**
Ages 3-22
- **SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL & BEHAVIORAL**
Kindergarten-high school
- **AUTISM SPECTRUM**
Elementary-high school

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

BEHAVIOR & MENTAL HEALTH

Specialists | Clinicians | Psychologists

RELATED SERVICES

Nursing | OT/PT | Speech | Interpreting

ACCESS & MOBILITY

Transportation | Vision & hearing

SPECIAL EDUCATION & SELPA TRAININGS

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING IN ONE PLACE

Register for 2026-27 VCOE Special Education and VC SELPA workshops on instructional strategies, compliance, and inclusive practices.

OPEN THE TRAINING PADLET



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STUDENT COMPETITIONS



2026-27 OPPORTUNITIES

Student Competitions creates opportunities that inspire excellence, encourage learning, and celebrate achievement. Countywide competitions and educator recognition programs spark curiosity and growth. Sponsors, volunteers, families, educators, and community partners make these events possible.



SCAN FOR DETAILS

2027 LOGO CONTEST

STUDENT COMPETITIONS
LOGO CONTEST 2027
Entry Deadline: Friday, October 16, 2026 by 4:00 PM

Are you a K-12 student in Ventura County with a passion for art?

Show off your skills by designing logos for the 2027 Academic Decathlon, Mock Trial, Science Fair, Civic Action Project, Battle of the Books, and Batalla de los Libros. Winning designs will be featured on event pins, awards, and competition materials.

THE DESIGNS SHOULD INCLUDE:

Format: Students may submit entries for multiple events. All submissions must be in digital format (.jpg, .png, or .pdf). Dimensions of digital artwork must be 150 dpi and 7.5" x 7.5". Entries must be in circular format and include "Ventura County" at the top, with the event name and year at the bottom. Please see some examples below.

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K-12 students can help shape the look of next year's Student Competitions.

DUE OCTOBER 16, 2026 | 4:00 PM

[OPEN FULL-SIZE FLYER](#)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Get Involved Today!

To learn more about the volunteer duties associated with each event, please visit our website.

www.vcoe.org/volunteer

Hackathon	Academic Decathlon	Mock Trial
 TBD Gr. 9-12	 TBD Gr. 9-12	 TBD Gr. 9-12 TBD Gr. 6-8
Science Fair	Battle of the Books	Batalla de los Libros
 March 19, 2027 Gr. 9-12	 April 21 & 22, 2027 Gr. 3-5 April 27 & 28, 2027 Gr. 6-8	 May 4, 2027 Gr. 4-6

Questions? Contact: Candice Rizzie | crizzie@vcoe.org | 805-437-1365

Support elementary, middle, and high school students at countywide events.

CLICK THE FLYER FOR EVENTS & DETAILS

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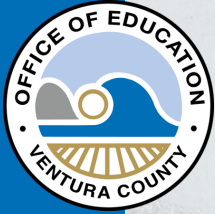
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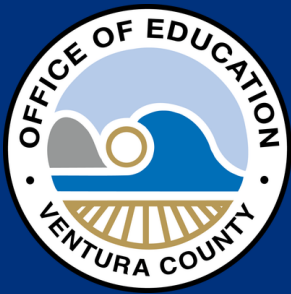
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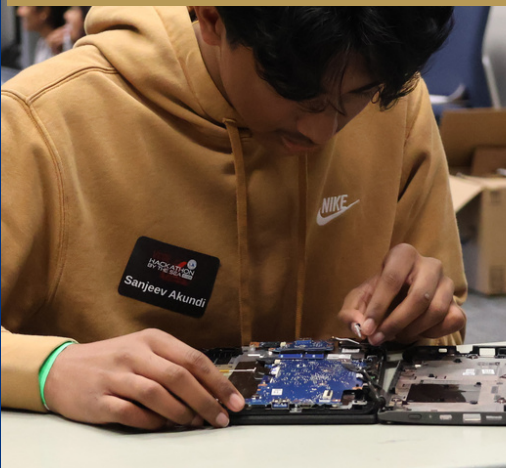
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HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED!

Hackathon



TBD | Gr. 9-12

Academic Decathlon



TBD | Gr. 9-12

Mock Trial



TBD | Gr. 9-12

TBD | Gr. 6-8

Science Fair



March 19, 2027 | Gr. 9-12

Battle of the Books



April 21 & 22, 2027 | Gr. 3-5

April 27 & 28, 2027 | Gr. 6-8

Batalla de los Libros



May 4, 2027 | Gr. 4-6

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SUPPORT & ACCOUNTABILITY



ACCOUNTABILITY SUPPORT FOR VCOE SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS

County Program Support & Accountability leads state and federal accountability for VCOE-operated schools and programs and provides data support focused on targeted student outcomes.

[LCAP](#)[WASC](#)[STATE TESTING](#)[SARC](#)[FPM](#)[SPSA](#)

2026-27 VIRTUAL WORKSHOP SERIES

The flyer for the 2026-27 Student Services Virtual Workshop Series is presented in a vertical stack. At the top, it identifies the partnership between VCOE Student Services and Student Support Services Solutions, INC. (S4), accompanied by the Office of Education Ventura County logo. The main title is '2026-27 Student Services Virtual Workshop Series'. Below this, four workshop sessions are listed, each with a date, topic, time, format, cost, and a 'REGISTER NOW' button: 10 SEP for Student Records & Enrollment, 1 OCT for School Attendance & Supervisor of Attendance Certification, 8 OCT for Student Discipline, and 4 FEB for Legislative Update & Annual Notifications. All sessions are held from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM, are virtual, and cost \$100. A contact information line at the bottom provides Christina Mahone's email and phone number.

[OPEN FULL-SIZE FLYER](#)

STUDENT RECORDS & ENROLLMENT

SEPTEMBER 10 | 8:30 AM-3:00 PM

A full-day virtual workshop focused on student records and enrollment. Build practical skills for accurate, consistent, and compliant recordkeeping.

[VIRTUAL](#)[\\$100](#)[REGISTER](#)

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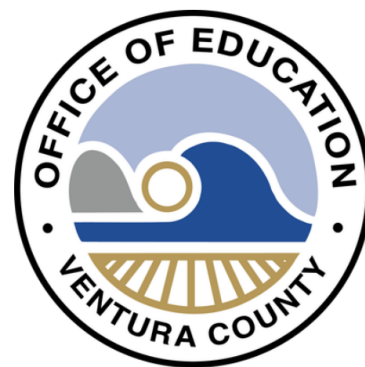
[DEPARTMENT WEBSITE](#)[EMAIL CHRISTINA](#)

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VCOE Student Services

in partnership with

**Student Support
Services Solutions, INC. (S4)**



2026-27 Student Services Virtual Workshop Series

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SEP

STUDENT RECORDS & ENROLLMENT

🕒 8:30AM – 3:00PM

📍 Virtual

\$100

➔ [REGISTER NOW](#)

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OCT

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE & SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATION

🕒 8:30AM – 3:00PM

📍 Virtual

\$100

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OCT

STUDENT DISCIPLINE

🕒 8:30AM – 3:00PM

📍 Virtual

\$100

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FEB

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE & ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS

🕒 8:30AM – 3:00PM

📍 Virtual

\$100

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Questions? Contact:

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ATTENDANCE WORKS RESOURCES

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

2026 ATTENDANCE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



Your Presence Matters! Join the campaign and receive regular updates!

Sign Up

Celebrating its 14th year, the Attendance Awareness Campaign reminds communities that every day in school supports relationships, learning and access to support. Led by Attendance Works and 10 national partners, it promotes good attendance, action to reduce chronic absence and year-long attendance campaigns.

EXPLORE THE 2026 CAMPAIGN

SIGN UP FOR CAMPAIGN UPDATES

YEAR-LONG ATTENDANCE PLANNING TOOLS

KEEP ATTENDANCE IN FOCUS ALL YEAR LONG

Attendance Works has created sample planning calendars as a tool for planning activities and events that keep a focus on improving attendance all year long. The attendance plan can be customized for your community. For each activity, you can identify who is responsible for leading it and how the results will be measured.

YEAR-ROUND

CUSTOMIZABLE

ACTION-ORIENTED

OPEN PLANNING CALENDARS

VISIT ATTENDANCE WORKS

SEPTEMBER 2026

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



OPEN APPLICATIONS | SEPTEMBER 2026

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Verified applications currently open to eligible Ventura County high school seniors.

THE GATES SCHOLARSHIP

DUE SEPT 15

FULL COST OF ATTENDANCE

Pell-eligible seniors with a 3.3 weighted GPA; leadership and strong academics.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

COCA-COLA SCHOLARS

DUE SEPT 30

150 AWARDS | \$20,000 EACH

Graduating seniors with a 3.0 GPA, leadership, and service. Phase 1 requires no essay.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

QUESTBRIDGE NATIONAL COLLEGE MATCH

DUE OCT 1

FULL FOUR-YEAR SCHOLARSHIPS

High-achieving seniors from low-income households applying to QuestBridge college partners.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

HISPANIC HERITAGE YOUTH AWARDS

DUE NOV 1

CLASS OF 2027 | 3.0 GPA

Open to U.S. seniors in community service, engineering, entrepreneurship, and green categories.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

CHICK-FIL-A COMMUNITY SCHOLARS

DUE NOV 3

UP TO 13 AWARDS | \$25,000

Seniors age 18 by July 15, 2027; 3.0 GPA, service, leadership, and financial need.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

JACK KENT COOKE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

DUE NOV 11

UP TO \$55,000 PER YEAR

High-achieving seniors with financial need planning to attend a four-year college.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

ELKS MOST VALUABLE STUDENT

DUE NOV 12

500 FOUR-YEAR AWARDS | UP TO \$30,000

For seniors pursuing a full-time four-year degree; leadership, academics, service, and need.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

BIGFUTURE SCHOLARSHIPS

MONTHLY

\$500 AND \$40,000 AWARDS

Class of 2027: no essay or minimum GPA. Students earn entries by completing planning steps.

[APPLY / DETAILS](#)

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION



LOCAL TUITION SUPPORT & VERIFIED SEARCH TOOLS

VENTURA COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

OPENS SEPT 1 | DUE JAN 22

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400+ SCHOLARSHIPS

CURRENT LOCAL TUITION SUPPORT

VENTURA COLLEGE PROMISE

FIRST-TIME STUDENTS

May cover enrollment and required fees. Students generally need full-time enrollment and FAFSA or CADAA.

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OXNARD COLLEGE PROMISE

FIRST-TIME, FULL-TIME STUDENTS

Two-year tuition-free Promise for eligible full-time students. Admission, aid, orientation, and planning steps apply.

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MOORPARK COLLEGE PROMISE

LOCAL FIRST-TIME STUDENTS

Available to eligible full-time students in the local service area. Funding and eligibility may change.

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CSUCI TUITION PROMISE

FIRST-YEAR & TRANSFER STUDENTS

Eligible California residents entering in 2026-27 may have tuition and mandatory fees covered after other aid.

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VERIFIED SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH TOOLS

MALDEF 2026-27 GUIDE

AVAILABLE NOW

Inclusive guide; many listings do not ask about immigration status or require a Social Security number.

VIEW PAGE

CAREERONESTOP FINDER

9,500+ LISTINGS

U.S. Department of Labor search tool for scholarships, fellowships, grants, and other aid.

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SCHOLARSHIP AMERICA

CURRENT LISTINGS

Browse currently open programs and filter opportunities by eligibility, deadline, and program type.

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LOCAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES



CAREER PATHWAYS, JOB SUPPORT & HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

FIRE SERVICE CAREER EXPLORATION

VENTURA COUNTY FIRE EXPLORERS

AGES 16-20 | OPENS SEPTEMBER 2026

Semester-based training with professional firefighters, station assignments, drills, ride-alongs and community service.

STATION EXPERIENCE

RIDE-ALONGS

LEADERSHIP

PROGRAM & APPLICATION

OXNARD FIRE EXPLORER PROGRAM

AGES 15-21 | ACCEPTING NOW

Ventura County youth can build basic fire-service skills through hands-on training, drills and community service. Oxnard residents are preferred.

BASIC FIRE SKILLS

MONTHLY DRILLS

SERVICE HOURS

APPLY NOW

PAID WORK & EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT

VENTURA COUNTY NEXTGEN

AGES 14-24 | NO COST | ENROLLING

Free career coaching, transportation help, resume and interview preparation, GED or diploma support, internships, apprenticeships and credentials.



GET STARTED

CAREER COACHING

JOB SEARCH

INTERNSHIPS

CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS | CAMARILLO CENTER

AGES 18-25 | GET PAID TO TRAIN

Paid, year-round training in wildland fire, emergency response and culinary careers, with education support and scholarship eligibility.



APPLY TO CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS

WILDLAND FIRE

EMERGENCY CREWS

CULINARY

LOCAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES



FREE ENRICHMENT, VOLUNTEER HOURS & SEPTEMBER SERVICE

CURRENT COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

VENTURA COUNTY COASTAL CLEANUP

SEPT 19 | 9 AM-NOON

COUNTYWIDE SITES

No preregistration required. Choose a local site or complete a self-guided cleanup during September. Parent or guardian waiver required for minors.

SCAN SITES



OPEN FLYER

LOCAL SITES

FOOD SHARE FARM SHARE

AGES 12+ | CURRENT SHIFTS

HARVEST & SERVE

Families, groups and individuals can help harvest fresh produce for local food assistance. Youth groups can earn community service hours.



OPEN FLYER

REGISTER

FREE AFTER-SCHOOL & VOLUNTEER CONNECTIONS

LABY HARMONY PROJECT

VENTURA WESTSIDE | TUITION-FREE

Long-term after-school music training. The 2026-27 pre-registration form is open.

PRE-REGISTER

TEEN LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

AGES 13-17 | SERVICE CREDIT

Assignments may include youth programs, collections, book reviews and reading lists. Openings vary by branch.

APPLICATION

VOLUNTEER VENTURA COUNTY

LIVE LOCAL OPPORTUNITY HUB

Search current nonprofit needs, one-day events and ongoing service placements across Ventura County.

FIND OPPORTUNITIES

VENTURA PROMENADE BEACH CLEANUP

SEPTEMBER 26 | 9:00-11:00 AM

Ventura Promenade beach cleanup | All ages | Parent or guardian waiver required for minors

DETAILS & WAIVERS

LOCAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES



YOUTH & FAMILY RESOURCES ACROSS VENTURA COUNTY

MENTORING, ENRICHMENT & SUPPORT

ONE STEP A LA VEZ TEEN CENTER

FREE | AGES 13-19 | YEAR-ROUND

Fillmore teen center open Monday-Friday, 1:00-7:00 PM, with meals, homework help, mentoring, recreation, music, job skills and community service. Youth can build confidence, connect with caring adults, and participate in positive after-school activities.

TEEN CENTER PROGRAM

MANDO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT GROUP

WEEKLY PROGRAMMING ACTIVE

Weekly mentorship and family support. The current calendar includes Friday youth nights, boxing, art, free haircuts and case management. Programs help youth build confidence, strengthen relationships, and develop practical life skills.

LIVE PROGRAM CALENDAR

REEL GUPPY OUTDOORS

5TH GRADE-COLLEGE | CURRENT PROGRAM

Six-week coastal cohorts blend fishing and marine stewardship with leadership, financial literacy, media and career exploration.

MARINE SKILLS

LEADERSHIP

CAREER EXPLORATION

PROGRAM & LEARNING CENTER

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS VC

COUNTYWIDE | YOUTH INQUIRY OPEN

Countywide one-to-one mentoring with professionally supported matches. Families can begin with the current online youth inquiry.

1:1 MENTORING

STAFF-SUPPORTED

ONLINE INQUIRY

ENROLL A CHILD

211 VENTURA COUNTY | YOUTH & FAMILY HELP

Free, confidential, 24/7 connections to local youth and family services in 150+ languages.

SEARCH 211 VENTURA COUNTY

INTERFACE YOUTH SUPPORT

