

March 2022
Library Stakeholder Report
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Kinder Readiness at the Library

Is your little one getting ready to start kindergarten? If so, let the Library help prepare you parents and caregivers with a trio of workshops led by early childhood educator Dr. Gerardo Lopez.

You will learn how to help your child acquire essential skills around language and communication, math and science, and social emotional development. These workshops will help you prepare your child for kindergarten and ensure a smoother transition to school life.

The workshops are being held virtually on Saturday mornings in March to make them as accessible as possible.

Saturday, March 12 @ 11 a.m.
Saturday, March 19 @ 11 a.m.
Saturday, March 26 @ 11 a.m.

You can register on the Library District's [website](#).

Get Ready for Kindergarten



Virtual Workshop Series for Parents and Caregivers with Dr. Gerardo Lopez

Silicon Valley Reads March Events

March is prime time for Silicon Valley Reads, with several virtual appearances by authors, including SVR's featured authors for kids and adults. Children's author [Christine Paik](#) ([The Girl in the Gold Dress](#)) and teen author [Adib Khorram](#) ([Darius the Great is Not Okay](#)) kick things off on March 3 with individual talks.

On March 8 [Richard Lui](#), featured author of [Enough About Me: The Unexpected Power of Selflessness](#), will share details about his decision to place his career on hold and return home to the Bay Area to take care of his father, who suffers from Alzheimer's Disease. On March 22, husband and wife team [J.J. and Chris Gravberstein](#) will talk about their YA book [Shine!](#) and [Pastor Bruce Reyes-Chow](#) will talk about his work, [In Defense of Kindness](#).

Find the full list of Silicon Valley Reads events on the [website](#). If you have not already done so, [register for SVR2022](#) on Beanstack. Everyone who logs in a book and completes a short "Write Your Thoughts" activity will be eligible for a special thank you prize.



Women's History Month Library Events



The theme for 2022's Women's History Month is [Providing Healing, Promoting Hope](#). This is a recognition of the key role that women have performed in the response to COVID-19 and the day-to-day work that many women perform at home and professionally to care for others.

Both the [Smithsonian Institute](#) and the [National Women's History Museum](#) are hosting virtual events throughout the month. Use our free eResources, [The Great Courses](#), to

watch documentaries and learn about the Women's Movement, how the Civil War affected women, as well as the role of women in the early days of baseball.

Also, look for special displays at our libraries about Women's History. From Amelia Earhart to Amy Tan to Kamala Harris, women make great strides in society and leave their mark.

Virtual Homework Help Available

Students are invited to join SCCLD's online tutoring pods. Free online homework help will be offered for students in grades 1-12 through May 26th via Zoom. This service aligns to Common Core math and ELA and provides personalized social emotional growth activities and learning support.

Sessions for students in grades 1-6 will be available Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30pm-5pm. Sessions for students in grades 7-12 are available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30pm-5pm. Tutors are provided by the Bay Area Tutoring Association and the coach to student ratio is a maximum of 1:8. Students will be organized by grade level within each session. Up to 50 students can attend each session and waitlists will be available. This service is offered to residents of Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Milpitas, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Saratoga, and the unincorporated areas of Santa Clara County.

Register in advance on our [website](#).

We All Can Use a Little Relaxation with Headspace

Life today can be stressful. Between tax season, the kids' school, work, and COVID related issues, sometimes you need a mental break. The mindfulness app [Headspace](#), available for free through the Library, has many features to help patrons relax, unwind, and improve their productivity. Have you checked it out recently? There are new options regularly, including relaxing music lists to help with sleep and guided meditation sessions of any length of time you prefer. Find a little Headspace for yourself today.

