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2022 Educator's Day at the Court: Court and Community Working Together

Santa Clara County Superior Court provides training and discussion for educators in areas that cross over from schools into the justice system

SAN JOSÉ, California (November 1, 2022): On Thursday, October 27, 2022, the Santa Clara County Superior Court hosted its ninth annual Educator's Day, which brought together approximately 100 superintendents, principals, teachers, and counselors from across the county to discuss issues at the intersection of education and the law. This year's topics included Mental Health, Wellness, Violence Prevention and Trauma-informed Responses, Hate Crimes, Coercive Control and Restraining Orders.

"The mission of Educator's Day is to provide information and resources for educators as they confront social and behavioral issues that directly or indirectly involve the court system," commented Hon. Julia Alloggiamento, Chair of the Court's Community Outreach Committee. "Through preventative approaches, this event bolsters schools, districts, and community-focused organizations to cultivate safety, connection, belonging, and resilience for all stakeholders, including students and their families and caregivers."

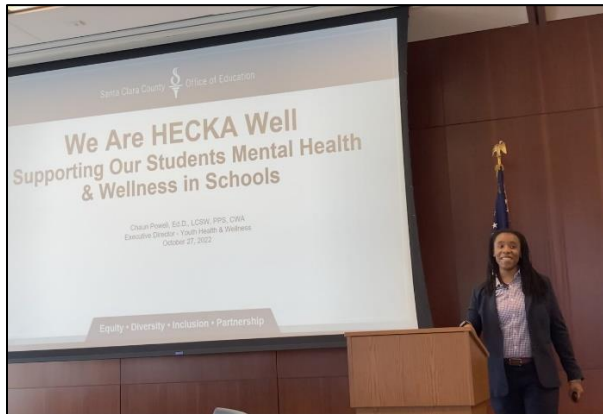
Throughout the day, breaks were observed with mindfulness exercises led by Lori Stuart from the Alternate Defender's Office. Following the presentations that covered the aforementioned topics, a civic engagement information session was provided by the California Law Pathways and Santa Clara County Law Academies, the Silicon Valley Urban Debate League, the Court's Self Help Center/Family Law Facilitator's Office, the Mock Trial Program and FIRST 5/Gardner Court Care.

The Santa Clara Superior Court would like to recognize the contributions of the speakers who generously donated their time, the Santa Clara County Office of Education, and the Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Department for their assistance in helping to put on this event. This event was made possible through grant funding by the California Judges Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt corporation.

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2022 Attendees of Educators Day at the Court