

Menlo Park City School District Speaker Series

2021-2022 Schedule



In person events may be moved to Zoom as health conditions change, please check our website for updates.

Hillview Middle School
Performing Arts
Center (PAC)
1100 Elder Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94025

Event descriptions and more information available at www.mpcsdspeakerseries.com

Questions and comments can be directed to speakerseries@mpcsd.org

We hope to provide free on-site childcare for our 2021 events, complying with SMC Health guidelines

MPCSD Speaker Series is co-sponsored by the MPCSD, District Council, Hillview PTO, Encinal PTO, Laurel PTO, Oak Knoll PTO, and the Menlo Park Atherton Education Foundation (MPAEF)



24/6: GIVING UP SCREENS ONE DAY A WEEK TO GET MORE TIME, CREATIVITY, AND CONNECTION

A conversation with author and filmmaker Tiffany Shlain about the neuroscience, psychology and history of a weekly day of rest.

VIA ZOOM: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.*



RADICAL EMPATHY: FINDING A PATH TO BRIDGING RACIAL DIVIDES WITH AUTHOR TERRI GIVENS

A conversation about how we begin healing our racial divides within our current political context.

In person on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



HOOKED: FOOD, FREE WILL, AND HOW THE FOOD GIANTS EXPLOIT OUR ADDICTIONS

Join Pulitzer prize-winning investigative journalist Michael Moss as he shares research from his latest book.

VIA ZOOM: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.*



CHATTER: THAT VOICE IN OUR HEAD, WHY IT MATTERS, AND HOW TO HARNESS IT WITH PROFESSOR ETHAN KROSS

A conversation between Professor Ethan Kross and Superintendent Erik Burmeister about the hidden power of our inner voice.

VIA ZOOM: Wednesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.*



BEING AN ASKABLE ADULT: THE WHY, WHAT, WHEN AND HOW OF TALKING WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT SEXUAL HEALTH

A presentation and parent participation workshop moderated by Vanessa Kellam, Parent Engagement Coordinator, Health Connected

In person on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



TAKING IT PERSONALLY BY PROJECT CORNERSTONE

6 week sessions focusing on tools for strengthening relationships with our kids. Offered in person or via Zoom.

In person at the MPCSD Office: Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., January 27, February 3, 10, 17 and March 3 and 10. Zoom sessions: Mondays at 6:30 p.m. January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 28 and March 7.*



THE STORIES WE PERPETUATE: WHAT WE TEACH AND WHY AND HOW WE SHOULD ELEVATE THE DIMINISHED VOICES OF OUR HISTORY

A panel discussion of experts examining a path towards cultural competence among our students.

In person on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m. - location TBD



TEACHING CHILDREN SELF REGULATION WITH DR. LAUREN ALLERHAND OF THE CHILD MIND INSTITUTE

A presentation and Q & A about better understanding your and your children's emotional experience.

In person on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC

*Zoom link is available at www.mpcsdspeakerseries.com