

Menlo Park City School District Speaker Series

2022-2023 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 2022-23 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)



DINOSAUR NO MORE: FIRESIDE CHAT ON GENDER AND SEXUALITY FOR THE MODERN PARENT

Join Liberty Hebron, LPCC from Children's Health Council as she guides us through a discussion on gender, sexuality, and identity. Learn how you can be an ally and advocate for all youth as they navigate their path towards self-identity and independence. Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



HOW TO NAVIGATE THE TOP SOCIAL MEDIA APPS AND GET AHEAD OF DANGERS ONLINE

Presentation from author, podcaster, and founder of Smart Social Josh Ochs about how to keep kids safe with gaming, challenges, and other apps. Attendees will also receive access to Smart Social on-line resources and a followup video to watch at home with their kids.

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



2-PART MINI-SERIES: WHERE DID CHILDHOOD GO? PART 1: SCREENING OF DOCUMENTARY CHASING CHILDHOOD FOLLOWED BY PANEL DISCUSSION

Watch acclaimed documentary Chasing Childhood with us, and hear from Superintendent Erik Burmeister and educator experts on the film's themes of developing confident children and restoring the joy of childhood.

Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



PART 2: WITH JULIE LYTHCOTT-HAIMS

Julie Lythcott-Haims returns to the Speaker Series to reflect on the mindsets and strategies parents can deploy in order to develop age-appropriate independence and promote a healthy childhood. Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



HATE SPEECH

A conversation with Nancy Appel and Samantha Brown of the Anti-Defamation League about hate speech. What it is, how your children may be exposed to it, especially on-line, and how to talk to kids about building ally behavior.

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at Hillview PAC



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.

Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

Zoom info can be found at www.mpcsdspeakerseries.com



TAKING IT PERSONALLY BY PROJECT CORNERSTONE

6 week sessions focusing on tools for strengthening relationships with our kids.

Mar-April, Dates and Location TBA. Details and registration link will be available at www.mpcsdspeakerseries.com