

# Verification Process for Special Settings (VPSS)

## What is VPSS?

VPSS is a state-approved advanced certification process by which secondary teachers in “special settings” have an additional option to become compliant with No Child Left Behind legislation. Completion of VPSS will allow eligible teachers to become “Highly Qualified” without taking high-stress tests or spending long hours on college coursework. It incorporates specific subject matter knowledge with practical application targeted to hard-to-staff settings.

## Who is eligible for VPSS?

VPSS is designed for teachers who teach two or more core academic subjects in the following settings:

- Secondary Special Education Settings
- Secondary Alternative Programs
- Secondary Small Rural School Achievement (SRSA) programs
- Independent Study

*For eligibility questions, please contact your district Human Resources representative.*

## VPSS in Santa Clara County: MATHEMATICS

### Mathematics - Tier I

*4 After School Sessions: 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm  
September 10, 11, 17 & 18, 2009*

*3 Saturday Sessions: 8:00 am - 3:30 pm  
September 12, 19 & 26, 2009*

### Mathematics - Tier II

*4 After School Sessions: 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
October 22, 23, 29 & 30, 2009*

*3 Saturday Sessions: 8:00 am - 3:30 pm  
October 24 & 31, 2009  
November 7, 2009*



Register online at  
<http://santaclara.k12oms.org>

Registration Fee: \$550 per Tier (includes materials, continental breakfast and lunch for Saturday sessions, and a light dinner for evening sessions)

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