

Tulare County Office of Education

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces:

Annual Tulare County Spelling Championship

February 22, 2006 · Holiday Inn, Visalia · 9:00 a.m.

The Seventh Annual Tulare County Spelling Championship will begin at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 22, 2006, in the Valley Oak Center of the Holiday Inn, Visalia. At this time, 59 public and private schools in Tulare County are sending two competitors and two alternates. The spellers, who are fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth graders, will compete for the opportunity to become the 2006 Tulare County Spelling Champion and advance to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. May 31 - June 1, 2006.

Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak and the Visalia Times-Delta/Tulare Advance-Register annually partner to sponsor the event. "The Spelling Bee is great community event because of the diversity of the students represented," says Mr. Vidak. "The competition includes students from schools large and small, urban and rural, and private and public. The support these students get from their respective communities is a great confidence-builder."

The Tulare County Spelling Championship is open to the public. For more information, contact Robert Herman, Public Information Officer at 733-6606.

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