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TCOE announced as a regional hub for new residency assistance grant



Last month, the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing announced Santa Clara County Office of Education as the recipient of the Statewide Residency Technical Assistance Center grant that totals \$20 million. The grant includes Tulare, Humboldt, Sacramento, and San Diego county offices of education as consortium members that will work with Santa Clara to establish regional hubs. Each hub will receive approximately \$2.3 million over the six-year life of the grant. In Tulare County, the regional hub will be a part of the current California Center on Teaching Careers.

The state's intended impact of Educator Residency Programs (ERP) is to increase the proportion of the workforce prepared through clinically rich, high-retention preparation

routes; support student learning through access to well-prepared and culturally responsive workforce; and increase Black, Indigenous, people of color (BIPOC) representation and retention in California.

The Statewide Residency Technical Assistance Center will serve as a resource, providing expert advice and support to local education agencies (LEAs) throughout California. By focusing on best practices, cost reduction strategies, sustainability planning, and information dissemination, the Assistance Center aims to support the launch, scaling, and sustainability of residencies. A community of practice will also be developed by hub leaders to sustain the work after the grant, with technical assistance from the California Teacher Residency Lab.

Additionally, the regional hubs will extend the reach of the Assistance Center, providing localized support and guidance to LEAs in various parts of the state. TCOE's region will include Kern, Kings, Tulare, Fresno, Madera, Merced, Inyo, Mono, Mariposa, Tuolumne, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura counties.

For more information about the grant, contact Marvin Lopez at marvinl@tcoe.org.

High school students and parents invited to attend annual Tulare County College Night September 12



Representatives from 80 universities and colleges will be on hand at the annual Tulare County College Night to answer questions about entrance requirements, available degrees, and tuition expenses at their institutions. College Night will be held Tuesday, September 12, at the Visalia Convention Center.

The event, which will open to students and their families at 5:30 p.m., is designed to provide information on preparing for and applying to colleges.

More information and helpful resource materials are available at tcoe.org/collegenight.

Registration now open for Expanding Your Horizons



Registration is now open for Expanding Your Horizons (EYH), the popular STEM-based conference for young women. The conference is designed for young women in grades 4-8 to enlighten and spark interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers.

EYH helps attendees discover how interesting and fun math and science can be, form personal contacts with women working in STEM occupations, and dream big to follow career paths traditionally pursued by men.

EYH will be held November 4 at Porterville College, which is a new venue for the event. EYH will continue to provide dozens of interactive breakout sessions led by women working in STEM fields.

Attendees will enjoy sessions such as engineering a bridge, robotics, forensics, and more. Registration is \$20 per student and is open through October 6. Group and individual registration forms can be found at tcoe.org/EYH.

The event organizers are currently looking for presenters to conduct breakout sessions. Local women studying or working in medicine, engineering, technology, agriculture, or other sciences who are interested in conducting a hands-on breakout session at the event are encouraged to contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org. Current college or graduate school students are also welcome to present.

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