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Media Alert

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces:

National History Day – Tulare County tomorrow

February 7, 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

TCOE Administration Building, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia

The annual National History Day – Tulare County event will be held Tuesday, February 7 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Tulare County Office of Education Administration Building, 6200 South Mooney Boulevard in Visalia.

This year, 200 elementary, middle and high school students from 14 Tulare County schools will present 100 projects at the competition.

National History Day (NHD) is a theme-based research program that showcases original presentations by students in grades 4-12 pertaining to historical issues, ideas, people and events. Students may choose any topic in local, national or world history and explore its significance relative to the annual theme, which for 2023 is *Frontiers in History: People, Places, Ideas*.

Students compete in three grade categories: 4-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Students in grades 4-5 compete in the two-

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dimensional category only. Students in the two upper-grade categories present findings through one of the following categories: historical paper, exhibit, performance, documentary, or historical website. Except for the historical paper category, students may collaborate in groups of up to five students, or they may work individually. At the event, presentations are evaluated by local historians and educators who look for a balance of perspectives in the project. The “Best of Event” presentations will be held in the Redwood Conference Center at 1:00 p.m.

National History Day – Tulare County provides students with special learning experiences that extend beyond the projects they have prepared. In the lobby throughout the morning, students can visit a variety of hands-on, history-related stations.

At 1:00 p.m., retired educator Kehinde Solwazi will speak to students about the history of Allensworth – the small town in southwestern Tulare County established by African Americans beginning in 1908.

At 1:45 p.m., students whose projects were chosen as “Best of Event” will be invited to make presentations to the audience. The awards ceremony will begin at 2:15 p.m. with scholarships presented to support students as they move to the state competition, being held April 15-16 at California State University, Sacramento.

For more information, contact Paula Terrill at (559) 651-0565 or visit tcoe.org/historyday.

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