

# Tulare County Office of Education

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## **Media Alert**

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**Tulare County Office of Education Announces:**

## **Annual Tulare County Science Olympiad**

**Divisions B & C: February 25, 2023, Ridgeview Middle School, Visalia**

**Division A: April 22, 2023, Mission Oak High School, Tulare**

Science Olympiad tournaments are rigorous academic competitions consisting of a series of individual and team events. These events encompass the science disciplines of biology, earth science, chemistry, physics, and technology. There is also a balance between science facts, processes, skills, and applications. Locally, hundreds of students compete in the annual regional competitions. Science Olympiad is divided into three divisions: Division A (grades 3 – 6), Division B (grades 6 – 9), and Division C (grades 9 – 12).

**Divisions B and C** (middle and high school students) competitions will be held at **Ridgeview Middle School in Visalia**, Saturday, **February 25, 2023**. Twenty-one teams of middle and high school students are competing this year, demonstrating hand-built instruments, testing parachutes, launching gliders, racing vehicles made from mousetraps, and more. The middle school teams competing represent the following schools: Divisadero Middle School (Visalia), Green Acres Middle School (Visalia), Jefferson Academy (Hanford), Live Oak Middle School (Tulare), Ridgeview Middle School (Visalia), and Sundale Union School (Tulare). The high school teams represent the following schools: Exeter Union High School, Golden West High School (Visalia), Mission Oak High School (Tulare), Orosi High School,

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Redwood High School (Visalia), Tulare Union High School, Tulare Western High School, and University Preparatory High School (Visalia).

The Division B and C events begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at approximately 12:30 p.m. Top scoring teams advancing to the NorCal State Science Olympiad will be announced the week of March 14.

**Division A** (for elementary school students) will be held at **Mission Oak High School in Tulare**, on Saturday, **April 22**.

For more information, contact Robert Herman, communications director, at (559) 733-6606, or Paula Terrill, event coordinator, at (559) 651-0565.

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