

Tulare County Office of Education Law Seminars 2026-2027



Student Discipline: Addressing Student Conduct, Conducting Investigations, and Conducting Expulsion Hearings

Thursday, September 3, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am | Redwood Rooms C&D - <http://tulare.k12oms.org/144-278254>

Each year there are changes to the requirements addressing student misconduct. This workshop will provide a comprehensive approach to addressing student conduct, including alternatives to discipline and the step-by-step process for student expulsions. We will also discuss conducting investigations, including questioning witnesses and conducting student searches. This workshop will address recent changes in the law, such as changes to student readmission procedures.

Prior Written Notice, IEE Requests, and Eligibility Disputes

Tuesday, December 1, 2026 | 9:00am-11:00am | Redwood Rooms A&B - <http://tulare.k12oms.org/144-278255>

Prior written notice (PWN) often becomes a central issue in disputes involving assessments, eligibility determinations, and independent educational evaluation (IEE) requests. This session will provide a practical overview of when PWNs are required, what legally compliant notices must include, and how thoughtful documentation can support clearer communication and stronger district decision-making. Using eligibility disputes and IEE requests as real-world examples, participants will examine how PWNs intersect with assessment decisions, refusals, eligibility determinations, and responses to parent disagreement. The presentation will review legal standards, recent case guidance, and sample language designed to improve the clarity and defensibility of district notices. Participants will also explore practical strategies for responding to IEE requests, determining whether district assessments are defensible, and using PWNs to support collaborative and legally sound IEP team processes.

CalSTRS and CalPERS Hot Topics & New Laws

Wednesday, February 3, 2027 | 9:00am-11:00am | Redwood Rooms A&B - <http://tulare.k12oms.org/144-278256>

CalSTRS and CalPERS issues can be convoluted and complex. School employers are increasingly facing new questions regarding the ability to hire retirees, how to creatively calculate salary schedules for hard-to-fill positions, and best practices for spotting potential retirement issues during negotiations. In addition, AB 1997 (2024) modified requirements for certificated employees including creditable compensation and service credit. This workshop takes a highly technical topic and breaks down the key principles for school district leaders, providing a deeper analysis of CalSTRS and CalPERS “hot topics” regularly confronted by county offices and school districts.

Internal Investigations: Tips, Tools and Best Practices from the Trenches

Monday, April 26, 2027 | 8:30am-11:30am | Redwood Rooms A,B, G&J - <http://tulare.k12oms.org/144-279971>

This workshop provides attendees with a framework and best practices related to your investigations, including reviewing the complaint, how to get started, interviewing witnesses and reviewing documents, and concluding the investigation. This training will provide a “how-to” guide for Administrators on how to properly lead and conduct investigations and handle complaints including documenting the investigation. We will also discuss common challenges in investigations and how to navigate those issues.

Location

Tulare County Office of
Education
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Registration

To register, click the URL for
any event.

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