

Tulare County Office of Education

Jim Vidak, County Superintendent of Schools

November 18, 2002

For Immediate Release

Contact: Pamela Kunze
Public Information Officer
559/733-6606

Tulare County Office of Education Announces: Tulare County Office of Education to Host Fifth Annual CyberQuest Media Festival

Tulare County Office of Education is hosting its fifth annual CyberQuest and students across the county are sharpening their research and computers skills in order to participate. The competition is open to the public and will be held Saturday, November 23, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., at the Visalia Convention Center.

CyberQuest is a technology-based competition that gives teams of students in grades 3 - 12 the opportunity to consider complex issues, solve problems and communicate solutions. Students showcase their abilities to use skills essential to succeed in today's cyber-rich world. Teams gather information from the Internet, magazines, interviews, books, videos and other resources in order to research and develop recommendations for previously assigned issues. The recommendations are presented and evaluated by a panel of judges. Teams whose presentations are judged as the best in their respective categories are then awarded trophies.

--more--

Tulare County Office of Education

Jim Vidak, County Superintendent of Schools

page 2

County Superintendent Jim Vidak praises the competition saying, “CyberQuest is a unique competition that allows students to showcase their problem-solving and creative-thinking abilities.” Vidak says he’s always “delighted to see students using state-of-the-art technology to research and develop possible solutions for real-world issues.”

For further information about **CyberQuest**, visit the Tulare County Office of Education website at www.tcoe.org, or contact Glenn Williams at 651-3047.

--TCOE--

Rel 13/02