

# Tulare County Office of Education

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces:

## **Math Super Bowl Set for April 2**

**8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. • Visalia Convention Center**

The mathematics problem-solving abilities of approximately 650 middle school students will be tested during the 30th Annual Tulare County Math Super Bowl on April 2 at the Visalia Convention Center.

More than 110 five-member teams and alternates from 36 schools will compete from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for ribbons and trophies. Tulare County seventh- and eighth-grade students will compete in three main events:

- Pro Bowl where students from different schools form teams to work on one challenging problem.
- Team Bowl where team members from a school work together to solve fifteen multiple step problems.
- Power Bowl where individual students work on 30 enhanced multiple choice problems.

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Problems used in the competition will assess areas such as computing interest, patterns, functions, interpreting charts and graphs, probability, number theory, discrete math, logic, statistics, algebra and geometry. Creative problem-solving and critical thinking skills will also be tested.

County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak praises the competition saying, "Math Super Bowl is an excellent event where students utilize mathematical skills to solve problems as team members and as individuals. Competitors will glean insight into collective problem solving practices used by adults in their business and personal lives."

The Math Super Bowl is proudly sponsored by the Tulare County Office of Education and McDonald's Restaurants in conjunction with R & L Enterprises. The competition is open to all schools in Tulare County.

The public is invited to attend. More information on the Math Super Bowl may be obtained by calling Julie Joseph at 651-3641 or by visiting our website at [www.tcoe.org](http://www.tcoe.org)

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