

**Tulare County**  
**Office of Education**  
*Jim Vidak, County Superintendent of Schools*

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces:

**Young People's Musical Theatre Workshop  
Coming to Porterville  
Thursday, September 14, 2006 • Bartlett Middle School, Porterville**

*Porterville:* The Tulare County Office of Education's Theatre Company will be sponsoring a six-week musical theatre workshop for students in the Porterville area. All Tulare County students (grades 3 – 12) are invited to attend this exciting and informative workshop. The elementary class will meet from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., while the middle /high school class will meet from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. The workshops take place on the Bartlett Middle School campus, located at 355 North "G" Street in Porterville, every Thursday beginning September 14 and culminate in a free recital on November 2, 2006.

Theatre Company vocal coach, Charlotte Garcia, will instruct the class on fundamental voice training, dance styles and basic acting. Ms. Garcia brings a wealth of directing and vocal coaching experience to her students and, is herself, a frequent singer/performer.

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Cost for the workshop is \$30 which includes all rehearsal materials, music and a souvenir T-shirt. Students will be signed up on a first-come, first-served basis. To receive a registration form, or for further information, contact the Theatre Company office at (559) 651-1482.

“We are pleased to make this workshop available to students in the Porterville area,” says Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak. “Regardless of their past experience, students will benefit from the incredible instruction and performance opportunities afforded by the Theatre Company program.”

For more information on Tulare County Office of Education programs, contact Public Information Officer Robert Herman at (559) 733-6606. For questions about the Theatre Company, contact director Brian Roberts at (559) 651-1482.

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