

Tulare County Office of Education

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces: Tulare-Kings Linked Learning Consortium meets to share implementation plans following Career Pathways Trust Funding announcement

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., June 12 • Edison Education Center, 4175 S. Laspina, Tulare

WHAT: Members of the Tulare-Kings Linked Learning Consortium will meet tomorrow for a conference to review local high school academy programs and to report on district implementation plans. The districts in the consortium will benefit from the May 30 announcement that the Tulare-Kings Pathways Project was awarded a grant from the California Career Pathways Trust (CPT) in the top funding category – “up to \$15 million.” The funds will allow Tulare and Kings counties to expand Linked Learning opportunities for students across the area, giving them the skills they need to succeed in college, career and life. The CPT funding specifically allows the Tulare-Kings Pathways Project to develop the infrastructure needed to link the region’s employer base with schools, enabling work-based learning for more students, and delivering on Linked Learning’s promise of equity, quality and rigor.

In Kings and Tulare counties, the Tulare County Office of Education, the Porterville Unified School District and INNOVATE Tulare Kings are working together to coordinate school districts, community colleges, nonprofit partners and employers in a research-proven approach to increase attendance, graduation rates and post-secondary degree completion. Eleven districts are participating in the Tulare-Kings Pathways Project: Corcoran Unified, Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified, Dinuba Unified, Exeter Unified, Hanford Joint Union High School District, Lemoore Union School, Lindsay Unified, Porterville Unified, Tulare Joint Union High School District, Visalia Unified, and Woodlake Unified.

WHO: Administrators from high schools in Kings and Tulare counties.

WHEN: District implementation plan presentations to begin at 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Edison Education Center, 4175 S. Laspina, Tulare

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