

Tulare County Office of Education

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Media Advisory

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces: Groundbreaking for two buildings scheduled for September 10 New TCOE administration building/conference center and planetarium building set to begin construction

WHAT: Groundbreaking ceremonies will be held for two Tulare County Office of Education buildings, due to be completed in 2015.

The administration building includes 93,000 square feet of office space and configurable conference area. The building will house the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools and programs within the Business Services, Instructional Services, Human Resources and Special Services Divisions. It is anticipated that the administration building will be completed in September, 2015.

The planetarium building includes nearly 8,700 square feet of space and will feature a 70-seat planetarium and a hands-on science center. It is anticipated that the planetarium building will be completed in April, 2015 with school tour operations resuming in the 2015-16 school year.

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WHO: Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak and members of the Tulare County Board of Education will conduct the groundbreaking at each building site.

WHEN: September 10, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. (administration building) and 11:00 a.m. (planetarium building).

WHERE: Groundbreaking for the administration building will be held at 6200 S. Mooney Blvd. in Visalia (adjacent to the “Greatest Generation” WWII Mural). Groundbreaking for the planetarium building will be held at the TCOE Liberty Center, 11535 Ave. 264 in Visalia.

For more information about the groundbreaking ceremonies, contact Rob Herman, public information officer at (559) 733-6606.

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