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Over 9,000 students to enjoy the Tulare County Symphony during 55th Annual Young People’s Concerts beginning 10/21

Each year, the Tulare County Office of Education partners with the Tulare County Symphony for the Young People’s Concerts. This year, the Tulare County Symphony This year, the Tulare County Symphony asked students to select the music to be featured at the Young People’s Concert. The concert will resemble the old-fashioned musical countdowns from the mid-20th century. Using an online viewing and voting system, students listened to excerpts from 20 classical pieces and voted for their top 10 favorites. All of the class votes were tallied and the results will be the “Top 10 Classical Pieces for Tulare County.” At the Young People’s Concerts being held this month, the Symphony will present the top 10 in reverse order, with the 10th favorite being played first and the number one favorite being the final piece of the concert. Over 9,000 students from throughout Tulare County have registered to see the Tulare County Symphony perform one of seven concerts in Visalia, Tulare and Porterville.

The program is designed to introduce students in grades 1-6 to live symphonic music and the string, percussion, wind and brass instruments they could play. Before each piece, students are told about the composition and some of the instruments or passages in the arrangement. Students also learn about proper concert etiquette. “It’s a pleasure to support this important music education program,” says Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak. “We appreciate the time and effort the Tulare County Symphony

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dedicates each year to introducing students to the wonderful world of musical instruments and live performances!”

Young People’s Concerts Schedule of Performances

Visalia Area Schools: Tuesday, October 21 at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

L. J. Williams Theater, 1001 W. Main St., Visalia

Tulare Area Schools: Wednesday, October 29 at 9:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Tulare Community Auditorium, Tulare Union High School, 755 E. Tulare Ave., Tulare

Porterville Area Schools: Thursday, October 30 at 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Buck Shaffer Auditorium, 465 W. Olive Ave., Porterville

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