

Tulare County Office of Education

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Media Alert

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**Tulare County Office of Education Announces:
17th Annual Expanding Your Horizons Conference
Event details: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saturday, November 5, 2016
College of the Sequoias (Visalia campus)**

Over 700 young women have registered to attend the annual Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference on Saturday, November 5, at the Visalia campus of College of the Sequoias. The student event is designed to encourage young women in grades 4 through 10 to explore careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The conference showcases math- and science-related fields in interesting, hands-on ways. It also helps young women form personal contacts with women working in professions traditionally held by men.

This year, Dr. Thelma Hurd, a surgical oncologist, associate professor of surgery and clinical assistant professor in the Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (Texas), will deliver the keynote address to conference attendees at approximately 8:45 a.m.

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Following the opening speakers, attendees can choose from dozens of breakout presentations conducted by women working in engineering, medical and scientific professions. Attendees will enjoy sessions on engineering a bridge, robotics, rocket propulsion, forensics and more.

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