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Media Alert

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces: University Preparatory High School Information Nights November 9 & 30, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., College of the Sequoias (Visalia campus)

This month, University Preparatory High School (UPHS) is holding two Information Nights for students interested in attending the school in spring 2018 or fall 2018.

Thursday, November 9, 2017, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at COS Yokut Building, Room 9

Thursday, November 30, 2017, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at COS Yokut Building, Room 9

Please **RSVP** to attend an Information Night by calling the UPHS Parent Liaison Araceli Alcalá at (559) 730-2529 or by emailing her at aracelia@uphsconnect.org.

University Preparatory High School (UPHS) is an early college high school chartered by the **Tulare County Office of Education** (TCOE) in partnership with the **College of the Sequoias** (COS). UPHS offers students the opportunity to complete high school courses while concurrently taking college courses at COS. University Preparatory High School is a free, public high school which opened in fall 2009.

UPHS welcomes all highly-motivated students looking for an accelerated and rigorous academic program that prepares them for college success. One of the many strengths of University Preparatory High School is the opportunity it provides students to acclimate to college culture and develop the many skills required for college success while still in high school. UPHS

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students learn to navigate the complexities of the modern college experience, develop academic and social self-reliance, and acquire learning strategies that will serve them well for a lifetime. Students will experience their high school years in a college setting, participate in college classes and earn a minimum of 20 college units before graduating from high school.

Students also focus on leadership at University Preparatory High School. Students start and run numerous clubs and school activities. Currently, the UPHS student body runs 33 clubs including sports, video gaming, community service and more. Not only does UPHS offer students the opportunity to excel as leaders, the school also has many competitive academic teams, including: a state-qualifying Science Olympiad team, a winning Step Up Team, a Slick Rock Film Festival winner, a second-place Mock Trial team, and a “Rookie of the Year” Robotics team. Additionally, UPHS offers a robust Fine Arts program which includes a full drama production, an improvisation class, a stage directing class, a fundamentals of acting class, choir, folklorico dance, and a handbell choir which performs regularly in the community.

For more information about UPHS, visit the TCOE web page: tcoe.org/uphs.

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