

# Tulare County Office of Education

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## **Media Alert**

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**Tulare County Office of Education Announces:**

## **CHOICES Program to convene second Crisis Prevention, Preparation, Response Forum for school districts and first responders**

**January 15, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm, TCOE Redwood Conference Center, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia**

On January 15, the Tulare County Office of Education (TCOE) CHOICES Program will hold its second countywide Crisis Prevention, Preparation, Response (CPPR) Forum. The Forum is organized by a countywide advisory committee of CHOICES staff, law enforcement agencies, school districts, and first responders to help school districts develop a deeper level of understanding on how to best prevent, prepare, and respond to crisis situations.

“I appreciate the CHOICES Program’s proactive leadership in assembling first responders for district personnel to learn from in a collaborative setting,” said Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Tim Hire. “As this is our second CPPR forum, it’s encouraging to see the momentum continue as we work together to take our preparedness to new levels.”

The forum will be held from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Tulare County Office of Education Redwood Conference Center at 6200 S. Mooney Blvd. in Visalia. Educators and first responders

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attending the forum will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of facilitator-led table talks on various subjects, including mental health, common campus map information, and best practices. The first responders represent numerous agencies, including California Highway Patrol, Tulare County Sheriff's Department, city police and fire departments, Tulare County Health and Human Services, Tulare County Mental Health, TCOE Behavioral Health Services, Kaweah Delta Hospital Emergency Services, and others.

For more information on CHOICES CPPR activities, call Frank Silveira at (559) 651-0155, extension 3611.

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