

# Tulare County Office of Education

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## **Media Advisory**

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**Tulare County Office of Education Announces:**

## **Nearly 300 youth to attend Anti-Bullying Youth Symposium August 28**

**9:00 a.m. until 3:15 p.m., Visalia Convention Center**

Nearly 300 students from throughout Tulare County will attend the 2019 Anti-Bullying Youth Symposium at the Visalia Convention Center on August 28. The young people attending the symposium will learn ways to build strong, positive school cultures where all students are supported and included. Jeremy Bates (aka the Hope Dealer) will be the keynote speaker. Following his presentation, students will have opportunities to attend breakout sessions on leadership development, mindfulness, signs of suicide, and the “Dude Be Nice” program.

The symposium, organized by TCOE’s CHOICES Prevention Programs, is being held to empower middle and high school students in forming school district policies on bullying. By the end of the year, the State of California is requiring all school districts to adopt a plan to prevent acts of bullying, including cyberbullying.

For more information, contact Gene Mendes at (559) 651-0155.

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