

Tulare County Office of Education

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces: Academic Decathlon 2002 February 2, 2002 × Porterville College

Academic Decathlon 2002 is scheduled to begin at 9:00 am, Saturday, February 2, 2002 at Porterville College. Sixteen teams of Tulare County's best and brightest students from thirteen area high schools will compete. This year's schools are: Dinuba High School; Exeter High School; Farmersville High School; Golden West High School, Visalia; Granite Hills High School, Porterville; Lindsay High School; Monache High School, Porterville; Orosi High School; Porterville High School; Strathmore High School; Tulare Union High School; Tulare Western High School; and Woodlake High School.

Each team has six to nine members who will compete in ten grueling events in the Academic Decathlon, including economics, mathematics, music, art, language & literature, and social science. In addition, the contestants perform prepared and impromptu speeches, write essays on a given topic and are interviewed by a panel of judges. The final event is the Super Quiz, an academic relay that is open to the public.

Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak says, "Academic Decathlon is a very competitive event with some strong rivalries among our schools. I commend the teachers, coaches and students for all the extra time and effort they put in preparing for the competition."

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