

Registration open for College + Career's Fourth Annual Counselor Conference



K-12 administrators, counselors and career technicians, and post-secondary counselors, CTE faculty, instructors, deans, and student success advisors are invited to register for the Tulare Kings College + Career Collaborative's Fourth Annual Counselor Conference. The free, virtual conference is scheduled for Monday, January 25, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Industry partners and Workforce Investment Board staff members are also encouraged to attend. With its keynote presentation and subsequent breakout sessions, the conference features numerous opportunities for participants to learn from practitioners and colleagues. The goal of the conference is to equip Central Valley primary, secondary, and post-secondary educators with the skills to utilize data to support students in their post-secondary transitions.

This year, the conference will feature a keynote address by Trish Hatch, PhD, President and CEO of Hatching Results, an education consulting company that supports school counselors, administrators, and school districts in the design, implementation, evaluation, and improvement of school counseling programs. Dr. Hatch is a best-selling author helping to address critical needs in professional development and preparation of school counselors. She has served as a consultant and advisor on school counseling and educational issues for the White House and the U.S. Department of Education. A former school counselor, site and central office administrator, state association president, and American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Vice President, Dr. Hatch has received multiple national awards, including ASCA's Administrator of the Year award and its highest honor, the Mary Gehrke Lifetime Achievement Award. She most recently received the National Association for College Admission Counseling's (NACAC) Excellence in Education Award and the California Association of School Counselors' School Counselor Educator of the Year Award.

For registration information, please visit <u>www.tkccc.org</u>, or call the Tulare Kings College + Career Collaborative at (559) 733-6101.



Theatre Company creates Zoom Caroling next week

To get you in the holiday spirit, the Theatre Company has created three Zoom Caroling events December 14, 16, and 18. Employees and members of the public are invited to be part of the audience via Zoom, enjoying holiday classics, new and old. Nearly 30 Theatre Company students will perform next week – each night featuring a different set of performers and songs.

Audience members must register for the evening or evenings of their choice by Sunday, December 13. Space is limited to 80 audience members per performance. Visit <u>https://bit.ly/3pLLixN</u> for registration information.

Darlene Tyndal to join SEE Program as Linda Patino prepares for retirement

This week, Darlene Tyndal will join the SEE Program as its new employment services coordinator. Ms. Tyndal will replace SEE's Linda Patino, who is retiring December 30, having served the Tulare County Office of Education for 27 years.

Darlene Tyndal joins the program from the Tulare County District Attorney's Office where she served as grants and program coordinator for the past 10 years. Prior to her work at the District Attorney's Office, she served community organizations and businesses, such as Proteus, Community Services Education Training (CSET), and TPG Consulting, for



20 years. Ms. Tyndal was also a past member of the board of directors for the Tulare County Workforce Investment Board and Reestablishing Stratford, a nonprofit organization.



Serving the SEE Program for the past 27 years, Linda Patino worked in a wide variety of roles, including as a vocational instructor when the program operated a La Sierra campus in Porterville. She has also coordinated numerous local employment services for youth and adults. Several of these programs were designed to help welfare recipients transition to full-time employment, including the More Opportunities for Viable Employment (MOVE) program, which helped to relocate Central Valley residents to other areas of the country where job opportunities were more readily available. Most recently, she has served as coordinator for the A Ticket to Success program, which is a national contractor with the Social Security Administration providing job services and work incentives to individuals with supplemental security and disability benefits.



Video resources available for middle school leadership development

Last week, CHOICES Prevention Program held its annual Friday Night Live/TUPE Middle School Leadership Training in a virtual format. Twenty middle school and after school groups registered to have access to five videos developed by CHOICES staff to help students, grades 6-8, build their skills as campus leaders. Prevention/intervention staff members presented the videos on topics including leadership, embracing change, self-care, bullying prevention, and the dangers of vaping.

For school leaders who were unable to attend the event on December 2, the Leadership Training videos are now available at <u>tcoe.org/TUPELeadership</u>. For more information about youth leadership resources, please contact the CHOICES Prevention Program at (559) 651-0155.

Distance Learning Resources

- <u>Arts All Around Us</u>
- <u>TCOE Learning at Home</u>
- TCOE's Educational Resource Services Library

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