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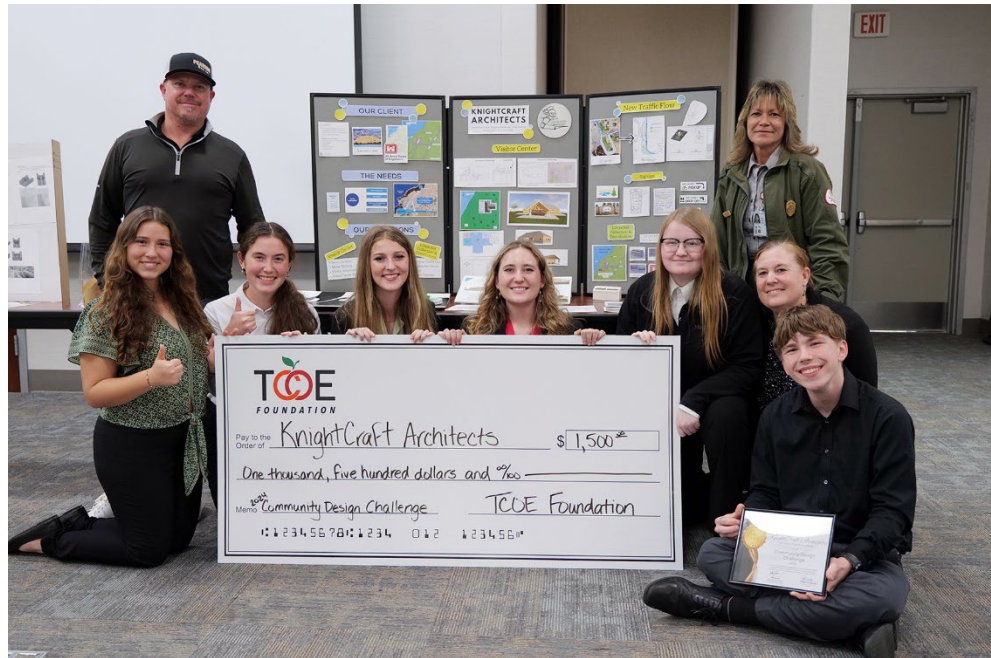
Tim A. Hire, County Superintendent of Schools

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Event coaches invited to attend information meetings for several Student *Future Ready* Events

Schools that plan to participate in a number of the large annual student events coordinated by the Tulare County Office of Education are invited to send their coaches to informational meetings beginning next month.



At the coaches' meetings, event coordinators will cover the process for registering teams, any applicable state or national themes, and changes to rules and regulations.

To attend one or more of the following information meetings, please contact the event coordinator listed.

Academic Decathlon (grades 9-12)

September 26, 2024

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

Community Design Challenge (grades 9-12)

January 15, 2025

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

For information, contact Emilia Wade at emilia.wade@tcoe.org.

Gas Company Challenge (grades 9-12)

September 17, 2024

Online Zoom meeting, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

For information, contact Emilia Wade at emilia.wade@tcoe.org.

Mock Trial (grades 9-12)

October 1, 2024

Online Zoom meeting, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

National History Day - Tulare County (grades 4-12)

October 3, 2024

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

Poetry Live! featuring Poetry Out Loud, Poetry Out Loud Jr., and Poet's Own Voice (grades 6-12)

September 19, 2024

Online Zoom meeting, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org or Kate Stover at kate.stover@tcoe.org.

Reading Revolution Elementary & Middle School Divisions (grades 4-8)

September 24, 2024

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

Science Olympiad Divisions B/C (grades 6-12)

September 16, 2024

TCOE Doe Avenue Complex, Sycamore Room, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

Science Olympiad Division A (grades 4-6)

September 12, 2024

TCOE Doe Avenue Complex, Sycamore Room, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For information, contact Paula Terrill at paula.terrill@tcoe.org.

Step Up Youth Challenge (grades 6-12)

September 25, 2024

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

To register for the training, visit <http://tulare.k12oms.org/1530-254289>

For information, contact Kelley Petty at kelleyp@tcoe.org.

VOICES – The Valley Opportunity for Inclusive Civic Engagement and Service (grades 10-12)

September 30, 2024

TCOE Mooney Boulevard Building, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

For information, contact Laura Gunning at laura.gunning@tcoe.org.

Young People's Concerts (grades 3-5)

October 7, 2024

Online Zoom meeting 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

To register for the training, visit <https://bit.ly/LinkUp2024-25>

For information, contact Kate Stover at kate.stover@tcoe.org.

For the dates of these and other Student *Future Ready* Events, visit www.tcoe.org/StudentEvents.

Photo above:

~ Coaches play an important role in many of our Student Future Ready Events. Educators interested in leading a student team to compete in a number of events is encouraged to attend the trainings found at www.tcoe.org/StudentEvents.

College and Career Readiness welcomes two new staff members



George Rodriguez, Ed.D. and Emilia Wade have joined the College and Career Readiness (CCR) department.

Wade will serve as a College and Career engagement specialist and will assist with two of the department's newest student events – the Gas Company Challenge and the Community Design Challenge. Wade comes to CCR from Farmersville Unified School District where she served as a Career Technical Education (CTE) coordinator and secondary counselor lead. Prior to her service

in Farmersville, she was a high school counselor and the scholarship coordinator for 13 years at Orosi High School, in her hometown.

George Rodriguez has been selected as coordinator, College and Career Readiness. In this role, Rodriguez will work with the California Department of Education to assist and oversee the Golden State Pathways Program (GSPP). Earlier this year, the Tulare County Office of Education was selected as the Lead Technical Assistance Center for the GSPP, which is the state's \$500 million investment in college and career readiness. Working with eight Regional Technical Assistance Centers across the state, Rodriguez will coordinate professional learning to help high schools expand or create new pathway programs to address the workforce needs of their communities. Prior to joining CCR, Rodriguez was a teacher, athletic director, program manager and assistant principal at Selma Unified School District for 15 years.

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