

Tulare County Office of Education

Tim A. Hire, County Superintendent of Schools

Best Results for English Learners

Creating Powerful Learning Opportunities for Multilingual Learners

Join Dr. Elsa Billings and Dr. Mary Schmida from **WestEd's Quality Teaching for English Learners** (QTEL) initiative for an inspiring, hands-on workshop designed to elevate instruction for multilingual learners.

Through an engaging keynote and interactive breakout sessions, participants will explore what it takes to move beyond surface-level supports to create classrooms where multilingual learners thrive as critical thinkers and academic problem-solvers.

We'll begin with a keynote focused on understanding and re-engaging English learners — who they are, what they need, and how we can unlock their full potential. Then, in **elementary and secondary breakout sessions**, participants will experience evidence-based practices in action, engaging in rigorous, well-scaffolded lessons that foster language development and deep content learning for all students.

Walk away with concrete strategies, fresh perspectives, and renewed energy to design meaningful, high-quality learning experiences for your multilingual learners.

Keynote speakers



Mary Schmida



Elsa Billings

February 25, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location:

Tulare County
Office of Education
6200 S. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93278

Audience:

Administrators, teachers,
TOSAs, coaches K-12

Cost:

Early Bird Rate:

(10/1/2025 - 12/18/2025)
\$250.00

Regular Rate:

(12/19/2025 - 02/13/2026)
\$275.00

Includes:

Resources and lunch

OMS Registration:

<http://tulare.k12oms.org/147-272828>

10-day cancellation/lunch policy.
See registration site for details.

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