
Poetry Out Loud set for Friday evening at 210 Café

Poetry Out Loud is moving this year – downtown to 210 Café where the audience can enjoy their

Photo above:

~ Past Poetry Out Loud champion Gabrielle Trapse of Tulare Union High School returns to the competition on Friday, February 7.

El Diamante returns to capture Academic Decathlon title



Visalia's El Diamante High School returned on Saturday to the annual Tulare County Academic Decathlon to capture the championship for the second year in a row. This year, the El Diamante team, under the leadership of Mikk Jolly, earned the top prize in the Super Quiz competition, the large school category, and the honor to represent Tulare County in the state finals March 27-28 in Sacramento.



All Academic Decathlon teams are comprised of 2-3 students in each of three grade divisions: Honors (GPA 3.75-4), Scholastic (GPA 3-3.74), and Varsity (GPA 0-2.99). The top students in

the three categories were all from El Diamante High School. Yibo Liang (Honors), Carol Huang (Scholastic), and Carter House (Varsity) took home the top individual trophies. Woodlake High School captured the small school division title. For a complete list of results, visit tcoe.org/AcademicDecathlon.

Photos above:

~ The winning team from El Diamante High School includes: (front row, l-

Leadership Support Services introduces new student data analytics tool

The Data & Analytics Team from TCOE's Leadership Support Services has created a new data analysis resource called 5x5 Explorer. This new predictive tool allows users to explore where specific goals and performance changes would place their school site or district on the California School Dashboard five-by-five grid. By simply selecting an indicator, a school site, and a student group, and then entering a change value to explore, users can get a sneak peek at what their Dashboard could look like next year. "In this season of LCAP planning and writing, we hope this tool will serve as a powerful resource for setting data-driven goals," said Martin Frolli, administrator for Leadership Support Services. Educators are encouraged to explore the new tool by visiting bit.ly/tcoeviz.

Additionally, the Data & Analytics Team has launched its new data-centric webinar series entitled "Finding Opportunities in Data." Scheduled for the first Monday of each month, these brief Zoom sessions introduce participants to an array of new tools and resources all aimed at making data more useful and accessible. This week, the webinar launched the series and focused on a discussion of the 5x5 Explorer. In future sessions, the webinar will present information on TCOE's partnership with the CORE data collaborative, exploring achievement gaps and cohort data, communicating data information, equity for small students groups, and using data to improve decision-making and goal-setting practices. Educators interested in joining these sessions are encouraged to contact Javier Garcia at javier.garcia@tcoe.org, or Heather Elias at heather.elias@tcoe.org.

5:00 - 8:00pm, Tulare County Courthouse, Visalia

[More information](#)

- **February 6**

University Preparatory High School Information Night

6:00 - 7:00pm, COS Visalia campus, Yokut Room 9, 915 S. Mooney Blvd.

[More information](#)

- **February 7**

Planetarium Public Shows

6:00pm: *Secret of the Cardboard Rocket*

7:00pm: *Saturn: Jewel of the Heavens*

TCOE Planetarium & Science Center, 11535 Avenue 264, Visalia

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- **February 7**

Poetry Out Loud

6:00 - 8:00pm, 210 Café, 210 W. Center Ave., Visalia

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