TUOLUMNE COUNTY

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS STUDENT EVENTS 2025-26

MAD ABOUT SCIENCE GRADES 4-9

July 28 - August 1, 2025

This week-long science program is held at Columbia College and allows students to experience hands-on STEM activities.

DINNER WITH A SCIENTIST GRADES 5-8

December 5, 2025

This is an event for students and their teachers to learn more about the career opportunities in STEM fields from local professionals.

JUNIOR HIGH SPELLING BEE GRADES 7-9

February 25, 2026

Schools in Tuolumne County send their top three students in grades 7-9 to this annual event.

The top two finishers will be able to compete at the state level.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY HISTORY DAY GRADES K-12

March 9-11, 2026

This event is held alternate years with the Science Fair and gives students an opportunity to discover history through engaging projects and compete. Winners advance to the State contest.

NATURE BOWL GRADES 3-6

April, TBD 2026

California Fish & Wildlife sponsor this event, teams of 3rd - 6th grades work to find answers to environment related challenges and compete with other teams in the region.

WEEK OF INSPIRATIONAL MATH GRADES K-12

August 25-29, 2025

Teachers implement lessons engaging problem-solving tasks as a vehicle to build classroom norms for behavior, habits of mind and collaboration.

HOUR OF CODE GRADES K-12

December 8-14, 2025

The 'Hour of Code' is a nationwide initiative by Computer Science Education Week and Code.org to introduce students to one hour of computer science and programming

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION GRADES 3-12

February 27, 2026

Students in 4-12th grades can submit digital images, and students in the 3rd grade can compete by captioning images. The competition is also open to faculty members.

HONOR MUSIC FESTIVAL GRADES 6-8

March 6, 2026

The Elementary Honor Music Festival is an annual event that features both choir and band students. It honors the memory of long-time music educator Bruce Paxton.

MOTHERLODE ROBOTICS CHALLENGE GRADES 4-8

May TBD, 2026

Student teams work to complete a challenge course using LEGO robots built and coded utilizing teamwork. Students will try to complete tasks for the highest score.

CHILDREN'S FRIENDSHIP CONFERENCE 3rd GRADE

September 30 & October 1, 2025

Students and staff take part in an event providing students with skills to identify and prevent bullying behaviors.

MOCK TRIAL GRADES 9-12

January 14 & 21, 2026

High school teams work with attorneys to prepare for a case created by the Constitutional Rights Foundation. They compete by arguing the case in a Tuolumne County Superior Courtroom.

STEAM EXPO GRADES K-12

March 18, 2026

Students and families participate in a variety of interactive activities related to STEAM learning during this evening event.

Make sure to visit the SJCOE Star Lab!

SCIENTISTS / ENGINEERS IN THE SCHOOLS WEEK

March TBD, 2026

Students in grades K-12 will work on various engineering challenges, often with a visiting professional leading the activity or lesson.

CTE SHOWCASE AND EXPO

May 29, 2026

An event open to the public giving families and students opportunities to explore careers through a hands-on approach. County High Schools and Columbia College will showcase their programs of study. A career fair will also be on-site.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY MATH BOWL GRADES 6-8

November 7, 2025

This event challenges teams of students in a complex mathematical level to complete challenges which test their problem solving skills.

ACADEMIC DECATHLON GRADES 9-12

February 7, 2026

Open to teams in Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties. Students compete in several academic subjects and the winning teams advance to the California Decathlon.

READ ACROSS AMERICA ALL GRADES

March 2, 2026

Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, Dr. Seuss's birthday.

CONGRESSIONAL ARTS COMPETITION GRADES 9-12

April, TBD 2026

A nationwide high school art competition sponsored by the members of the U.S. House of Representatives. Schools will be contacted with more information.



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