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15th annual *Excellence in Education* winners to be honored at breakfast event Wednesday, October 7

WHAT: Winners, finalists and nominees in the annual *Excellence in Education* Awards program will be honored at an invitation-only breakfast event at the Visalia Convention Center. Approximately 315 friends, family members and colleagues are expected to attend. This year, a total of 33 nominees from Tulare County school districts and the office of education were chosen to participate in the competition, which was judged and announced in June 2009.

WHO: **Dave Tonini**, principal, Green Acres Middle School (Visalia Unified), will be honored as Tulare County Administrator of the Year; **Michael Young**, science teacher at Tulare Western High School will be honored as Tulare County Teacher of the Year; and **Letty Magallan**, school secretary, Freedom Elementary (Farmersville Unified) will be honored as Tulare County School Employee of the Year. **Finalists and nominees will also be recognized.**

WHEN: **Wednesday, October 7, 2009**
7:30 – 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: **Visalia Convention Center**
303 East Acequia, Visalia, CA

For more information on the event, including a list of the winners, finalists and nominees, visit www.tcoe.org/ExcellenceInEducation.

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