

San Joaquin County Office of Education

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 016-012: Dinner with a Scientist

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Students and Teachers will Dine with Scientists and Engineers

The San Joaquin County Office of Education to Host Annual Dinner with a Scientist

Nearly 180 seventh- to 12th-grade students and 60 teachers from San Joaquin County school districts will have the chance to dine with a scientist at the annual Dinner with a Scientist event on Nov. 6 at the San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE).

The evening, hosted by the SJCOE STEM Department, will begin with a table science challenge led by John Knezovich, a senior scientist at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and adjunct professor of environmental toxicology at UC Davis.

The groups will rotate four times throughout the night to a new table and a new scientist or engineer. Groups of students and teachers will engage in conversation with four different scientists or engineers of their choice for approximately 15-20 minutes each. Each scientist and engineer is urged to bring something from their profession that the students can see, manipulate, or experience. Seating and choice of scientist and engineer is based on a first-come, first-served basis. Appetizers, dinner, and dessert will be served.

Tickets to the event are \$100 per teacher and three students. The 30 scientists and engineers are volunteers. This year the following organizations and individuals have helped sponsor the event:

- Mr. Charles Galindo
- Dr. and Mrs. Ed Schneider
- Mr. Steve Ruffoni
- Dr. Kenneth Shimozaki

- Jose Hernandez Reaching for the Stars Foundation
- Bank of Stockton
- North Central Valley STEM Center

When: Friday, Nov. 6

5 p.m. – 8 p.m. (Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.)

Where: San Joaquin County Office of Education

Burwood Auditorium 2707 Transworld Drive Stockton, CA 95206

More online: For more information about the evening, please go to

http://www.sjcoescience.org/dinner-with-a-scientist-for-the-scientist.html



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