

Mock Trial

2023-2024

Who: 4L-4R scholars
Where: Room 1307
When: Tuesdays, 3:45-5:15 p.m.
Dates: September 19th – February 13th
Advisor: Magister Bagwell, Magistra Towell, & Mr. Agustin
Fee: \$125, payable to *Parnassus*Deadline: Thursday, September 15th

The Minnesota High School Mock Trial Program is an exciting law-related education program that introduces students to the American legal system and provides a challenging opportunity for personal growth and achievement. Scholars will exercise their critical thinking and teamwork skills, as well as the basic skills learned in the classroom.

Teams are given case materials based on an actual trial and with the guidance of their coaches work to form a prosecution and defense team including witnesses. Teams employ research to form their arguments and testimonies over the proceeding months, then work to take on the roles of lawyers and witnesses before presenting their case against their opponents to a real judge at a county courthouse.

TENTATIVE COMPETITION SCHEDULE:

At the time of this publication (August 2023), exact competition dates have not been announced. We also do not know if they will take place in-person or virtually. Last school year saw a mix of both. More information will be sent home as soon as it becomes available.

In past years, we have participated in 1-2 invitationals on Saturdays during the month of December. These are typically hosted by local Universities.

Courthouse trials take place over 4-5 weeks. They will likely be held on either Tuesdays or Thursdays during the weeks listed below.

Tentative Courthouse Trial Schedule:

- 1. Week of January 8th Round 1
- 2. Week of January 15th Round 2
- 3. Week of January 22nd Round 3
- 4. Week of January 29th Make Up Trial (if applicable)
- 5. Week of February 5th Round 4
- 6. Week of February 12th Round 5 (playoff round, only if team qualifies)

REGISTER

New in 2023-2024! All Parnassus activity registrations must now be completed online at: <u>https://parnassus-ar.rschooltoday.com/</u> by a parent/guardian. Registration is not complete until the online registration form and payment have been submitted. Please note first-time registrants will need to create an account in our system.

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