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Hudson Vicinage Participates in Mock Trial Program

The Hudson Vicinage is participating in the 2013 Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Program.

Judges from the Superior and municipal courts, in conjunction with numerous members of the Hudson County Bar Association, court staff members, and teachers are serving as judges, coaches, and timekeepers during the competition.

This year's preliminary mock trial competitions began Jan. 28 and will conclude on Jan. 31. The mock trials, which begin at 4:30 p.m. each evening, are held on the 9th floor of the Hudson County Administration Building, 595 Newark Avenue, Jersey City. The competition includes 12 public and private local schools that are pitted against each other playing various roles such as prosecutors/plaintiffs, defendants, attorneys, witnesses and jurors in a fictional court case designed by the New Jersey State Bar Foundation. The winners of the county competition will be announced at the Law Day Ceremony on May 1 in the Brennan Court House in Jersey City.

The Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Program helps the students learn more about the law, court procedures, and our legal system and how it relates to the foundation of democracy. It provides students with an opportunity to sharpen their analytical, listening, and speaking skills, and builds their confidence.

The Hudson Vicinage mock trials are coordinated by attorney Stephen McCurrie, who serves on the vicinage Law Day Planning Committee. The committee is chaired by Superior Court Judge Martha T. Royster.

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