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## **Monmouth Vicinage Hosts Mock Trial Program**

The Monmouth Vicinage and the Monmouth Bar Association are hosting the 2019 Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Competition.

Mock trials were held on Tuesday, Jan. 15 and will continue on Wednesday, Jan. 16; Thursday, Jan. 17; Tuesday, Jan. 22; Wednesday, Jan. 23; and Thursday, Jan. 24 from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Monmouth County Courthouse, 71 Monument Park, Freehold. In the case of inclement weather, Monday, Jan. 28 and Tuesday, Jan. 29 are designated as alternate dates.

Approximately 20 private and public schools in Monmouth County are participating in the competition. This year's program features a personal injury case involving a roller coaster. In the preliminary mock trials, high school students compete against each other as they assume the roles of defendants, attorneys, and witnesses. Superior and municipal court judges preside over the mock trials and more than 70 members of the bar association act as coaches and judges.

Winners of the county finals advance to the regional semifinals, where they will have a chance to advance to the state championship.

For information on the mock trial schedule, contact the Trial Court Administrator's Office at 732-677-4212.

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