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North County Court Hosts “Youth In Court Day” On March 9, 2007

On Friday, March 9, 2007, the Superior Court in Vista will, once again, open its doors to hundreds of North County students. The judges and staff of the Superior Court will join with the North County Bar Association to show more than 1,000 students how the justice system works and expose them to job opportunities in law and law enforcement. The day-long event will include mock trials for elementary and middle school students and educational sessions for high school students on diverse topics such as domestic violence, death penalty trials, use of forensic evidence and the devastating impact of gang violence.

“This will be the sixth year we have opened up the courthouse for students of all ages. That means over 5,000 students have already learned first hand about the important role the justice system plays in our democracy. I am always exhausted, yet exhilarated by the end of the day,” says Superior Court Judge Joan P. Weber, one of the organizers of the event.

The mock trials will start at 9:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M. The educational sessions begin at 1:00 P.M. and end at 3:00 P.M. The *Youth in Court Day* has been nationally recognized. In 2005, the program received an award from the American Bar Association touting it as one of the best outreach programs in the country.

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2007 YOUTH IN COURT DAY

WHAT: *Youth in Court*, a nationally awarded program, is held once a year at the North County Courthouse in Vista. The goal of *Youth in Court* day is to expose North County grade, middle and high school students to various aspects of the state judicial system.

WHEN: **9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. – Friday, March 9, 2007**

WHERE: North County Courthouse
325 South Melrose Avenue, Vista

WHO: San Diego Superior Court
Bar Association of Northern San Diego County
Lawyer Referral Service

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