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La Jolla Country Day School Wins 15th Annual San Diego County High School Mock Trial Competition

Nearly 600 Students Participated in Annual Program

February 25, 2021 – La Jolla Country Day School's Mock Trial team outperformed 27 other San Diego County high school teams to win the annual legal competition. The San Diego County Mock Trial program provides high school students with the opportunity to experience the legal field in realistic courtroom settings rather than learning about the rule of law from books and lectures. The student teams undertake the roles of lawyers and witnesses facing off on a hypothetical case in front of actual state and federal judges. The multi-round competition was held virtually over the past month.



(Pictured: La Jolla Country Day School mock trial team members with volunteer attorney scorers following the championship round on Wednesday, Feb. 24)

La Jolla Country Day School will now represent San Diego County in the statewide Mock Trial competition in March. This year's statewide competition will also be held virtually due to the pandemic.

The annual event is hosted by the San Diego Superior Court and supported by the San Diego County Bar Association, U.S. District Court Southern District of California, San Diego County Office of Education, San Diego City Attorney's Office, San Diego County District Attorney's Office, San Diego County Public Defender's Office, Federal Defenders, Inc., U.S. Attorney's Office, and San Diego Paralegal Association. Each year's trial topic and contents are outlined by the Constitutional Rights Foundation. Judicial officers oversee the bench trials while San Diego County lawyers volunteer their time to serve as team coaches and competition scorers.

For additional background information on the program, please visit <u>sdmocktrial.org</u>.

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