



Ohio High School Mock Trial Program

What Is Mock Trial?

The Ohio Mock Trial Program, established by the Ohio Center for Law-Related Education (OCLRE) in 1983, is a statewide educational program designed to allow students to become aware of their constitutional rights and responsibilities. It provides students the opportunity to learn firsthand about the law, court procedures and the judicial system while also building interpretation, critical thinking, writing, research and public speaking skills. Students who compete in the Mock Trial program come away with a greater understanding of not only the principals on which our legal system is founded but of themselves and the skills they possess.

When is the Mock Trial Competition?

Teams from all over the state of Ohio will be coming to Columbus, Ohio from March 11th – March 13^h to compete in the state Mock Trial competition. We would greatly appreciate your assistance on:

Thursday, March 11	training 12:30 - 1:00 pm	facilitating 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 11	training 4:30 – 5:00 pm	facilitating 5 – 8:30 pm
Friday, March 12	training 8:30 – 9:00 am	facilitating 9:00 – 12:30 pm
Friday, March 12	training 12:30-1:00 pm	facilitating 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Friday, March 12	training 4:30 – 5:00 pm	facilitating 5 – 8:30 pm

Facilitators who are able to volunteer for MORE than one session only need to attend one training session before their first competition. A boxed meal will be provided.

Please note that due to format changes in the Mock Trial competition we will not be able to verify volunteer times until 2 weeks before the competition. Please keep your chosen time open.

Where is the Mock Trial competition located?

The Mock Trial competition is located at the Franklin County Courthouse at 373 S. High Street, Columbus, Ohio.

What will I be doing as a facilitator?

Facilitators will be assisting teams and the judges to their assigned courtrooms as well as helping coordinate the competition procedures.

How do I sign up?

If you or anyone you know may be interested in volunteering please contact **Addie Natalie**, Mock Trial program coordinator by phone at **614-485-3507** or email at anatalie@ocle.org. The Center will need to know your name, and the date and time you are available as well your contact information.