

Tulare County Office of Education

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Tulare County Office of Education Announces: 2002 Mock Trial Winners to Compete in State Competition

Winners of the 2002 Tulare County Mock Trial Competition, a team from Golden West High School, will be heading to San Jose March 22 - 24, to compete in the state finals for the event. The Golden West team is coached by teacher Ken Walters, with Allison Walker serving as the attorney-coach. Golden West Mock Trial team members include: Lauren Biehle, Lauren Brown, Brittany Clark, Katie Desrochers, Andrew Grassel, Jessica Lange, Emelie Loeb, Garrett Morgan, Anne Nudson, Anthony Nudson, Amanda Oldfield, David Smith, Michael Smith, Brian Sobieralski, Bryn White, and Katie Zieg.

The Mock Trial Program is sponsored by the Constitutional Rights Foundation, and co-sponsored by the California Department of Education, the State Bar of California, the Young Lawyers' Association and the Daily Journal Corporation. The Tulare County Office of Education coordinates the program locally, with assistance from local attorneys and judges, Lisa Strongin, Attorney at Law for Kings/Tulare Area Agency on Aging, a division of Tulare County Health and Human Services, and Cynthia Logan, Deputy Court Executive Officer.

“The Mock Trial Competition provides students an opportunity to sharpen their research, critical thinking and presentation skills, while getting a glimpse into the complex world of law. It is one of the most

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fascinating and entertaining competitions we host,” says Tulare County Superintendent of Schools Jim Vidak.

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