



# THE 31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL CONTRA COSTA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL NEEDS YOU!

**WHAT:** Your expertise in a courtroom setting is needed to measure the efforts of budding young “Perry Masons.” You sit in the jury box and score, or sit on the bench and judge, while students, acting as witnesses and lawyers, try an entire case in a timed exchange.

Students argue a pre-trial motion, direct and cross-examine witnesses, make objections and present an opening statement and closing argument. One school’s prosecution team competes against another school’s defense team. After the preliminary rounds, winning teams move forward and the eventual 1<sup>st</sup> Place team will represent our county at the state competition. This year we have thirteen participating schools and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**DATES:** February 7, 9, 15 & 16 (Preliminary Rounds)  
February 21 (Quarterfinals)  
February 23 (Semifinals)  
February 29 (Finals and Consolation round)

**TIME:** Approximately 5:00 – 8:00 pm

**WHERE:** Courtrooms in Martinez

**How:** Complete the enclosed form and select a date(s) that works best for you.

Fax it to the County Office of Education at **(925) 942-3454**  
Attn: Jonathan Lance  
Phone: (925) 942-3429  
Email: [jlance@cccoe.k12.ca.us](mailto:jlance@cccoe.k12.ca.us)

**Case materials and instructions will be mailed upon receipt of fax.**

**MORE INFO:** Contact Peggy Marshburn, Chief Communications Officer at (925) 942-3420 or see our Web site at [www.cocoschools.org/events](http://www.cocoschools.org/events)

***THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS!***

