

MOCK TRIAL



WHAT IT IS: Civics Learning Project's Mock Trial Program offers students across Oregon opportunities to step into roles as attorneys, witnesses, and jurors in simulated trials. Students from elementary, middle, and high schools develop legal knowledge, civics skills, and critical thinking skills in classroom settings. High school students can compete at regional, state, and national levels.

WHY WE NEED IT: A statewide 2022 survey conducted by the Oregon Values & Beliefs Center revealed that 75% of Oregonians believe democracy is increasingly at risk, with nearly 90% worried about political division. Over half of respondents reported alienation in their public life, yet more than 85% agreed that increased civics participation can move us to a healthier government.

OUR IMPACT: Students receive quality civics education and build skills in active civic engagement through CLP's Mock Trials. The students are 40% more likely to vote as adults and 2.5 times more likely to take on leadership roles in their communities than their peers. They are also more likely to attend college. With 76% of students scoring below national standards of proficiency in civics, the need for evidence-based programs like CLP's Mock Trials has never been greater.

CLP's Mock Trial Program helps close these gaps to build a better tomorrow. In the 2023-2024 school year, 59 teams from across Oregon participated in the statewide Mock Trial Competition. and teachers attended Mock Trial professional developments brought the program to over 600 students in their classrooms. These efforts are helping to build the next generation of informed and engaged citizens.

In A Student's Words

As a kid, I always viewed justice as something I would never reach. We had nothing. No money. No strength. No power. No justice. I hated feeling powerless. Mock Trial changed my life. I know that may sound like something everyone says, but believe me when I say that it gave me the one thing I needed to secure my success and future. It gave the power to seek justice. It gave me that hope back.

-Nadia P, Student Participant

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*The best way to preserve democracy
is to teach democracy.*



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Your sponsorship supports the continuation of CLP's enriching Mock Trial program. By making this curriculum and these competitions possible you provide the next generation of Oregonians with the skills and knowledge to participate in our shared democracy.

A \$5,000 MOCK TRIAL SPONSORSHIP OFFERS ONE YEAR OF BENEFITS INCLUDING:

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 - On all CLP Mock Trial registration webpages, with hyperlinks to sponsor's website
 - In 2 CLP mass emails to the Mock Trial audience, with hyperlinks to sponsor's website
 - In 3 CLP social media thank-you posts (Facebook, Instagram, & LinkedIn)
 - In all printed & public-facing materials for CLP's Mock Trial competitions, such as signage
 - In CLP's Annual Report
- Mention in all CLP press releases for Mock Trial
- Spoken sponsorship thank yous as part of programming at CLP's regional and state Mock Trial competitions

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