



## San Diego High School Mock Trial Competition Logistics

The Mock Trial Committee is delighted that we are able to use the new Superior Courthouse at 1100 Union Street. Since there is a change in the facility from previous years, we have a few tips regarding logistics:

- 1) **Allow for extra time to get to the courthouse.** Downtown traffic on weeknights is often congested and there is much construction occurring in the immediate vicinity of the courthouse which blocks or limits access to the surrounding streets.
- 2) **Participants, Coaches, Teachers, Family and Friends may only enter and exit through the main lobby at 1100 Union Street.** Security considerations, and limited availability of security and mock trial personnel, require that you enter and exit only through the main lobby and that you remain on only the floors to which you are directed. **Please note that the best place for drop off is B Street between Union and State streets.**
- 3) **Be prepared to go through security screening.** Do not bring weapons or anything that can be construed to be a weapon. Pepper spray or mace, aerosol cans and glass bottles, metal hair picks and hand cuff keys are also prohibited.
- 4) **Students, coaches, teachers, friends and family may only bring and drink water while in courthouse facilities. Water will be provided for the participants.** If you need a caffeine fix, please take care of that before you arrive.
- 5) We know that it is common for teams to bring lunch or snacks for the final day of competition, **February 24<sup>th</sup>.** **Food can only be consumed in the area of the jury lounge on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, and each team will be provided a table in the jury lounge.** Please do not bring any food in glass containers. You will be asked to ensure that trash is placed in receptacles and any leftover food is removed or discarded.
- 6) **Teams may only take video/audio/still photography at a trial involving their own team with the permission of the opposing team and the judicial officer, and only in a manner that does not distract the participants.** Any team has the option to refuse participation and the taking of video/audio/still photography. Video/audio/still photography is **for training purposes only and may not be posted on the internet or via social media.** Video/audio/still photography may not be shared with any other team before the state finals without the permission of both teams.
- 7) There is **no smoking** in the courthouse.

The Superior Court looks forward to hosting the San Diego High School Mock Trial Competition at our new facility. Please be respectful of our new facility and adhere to these rules.