

The
New Jersey State Bar
Foundation invites
you to enter our

Law Fair and Law Adventure

2024 COMPETITIONS

FOR GRADES 3-8

These FREE educational mock trial programs for **grades 3-6** and **grades 7 and 8** respectively are open to public and private schools and other organizations in New Jersey. Students and their teachers are invited to submit original mock trial cases to the Law Fair and Law Adventure Competitions. THERE IS NO CHARGE TO ENTER. The competitions help to fulfill civics requirements.



Cases entered must be suitable for use in the classroom as a tool to teach students about legal issues. For details about the competitions, which help to increase writing, reading, listening and analytical skills, please download *the Law Fair (for grades 3-6) and Law Adventure (for grades 7 and 8) Rules Booklets* from our website, njsbf.org.



Here's what teachers have to say:

*"My third-grade students enjoyed their experience at the Law Fair program. They are still talking about it. It was very exciting to see how the case played out. The students worked very hard and really took on the roles of their characters."***Stephannie Lopez, Nicolaus Copernicus PS #25, Jersey City**

*"We have been entering our classes in the Law Fair Mock Trial Competition for years now, and it is always such a wonderful learning experience. The students work hard at brainstorming creative scenarios for their cases, and their ideas never cease to amaze us. The opportunity to perform our winning case in front of a judge was thrilling for all of us. We look forward to working on these every year!"***Karen Magliacano and Mary Donovan, Fairview Elementary School, Bloomfield**

*"As the advisor of Millstone's Mock Trial Club, I was able to witness firsthand the passion of our middle school students for analyzing and debating different topics. As the students spent more time working on these cases, they were able to view both sides of an argument, further improving their ability to debate and empathize both with the defendant and the plaintiff. I saw our students grow in understanding the implications of cases in the real world."***Suman Kapoor, Millstone Middle School, Millstone**



Entries must be received by January 31, 2024. Winners will be invited to perform their cases in person (or via Zoom if circumstances warrant) in May. Judges and attorneys will preside over the mock trials. Winning cases will be posted on our website.



To help teachers of grades 3-8 prepare their students for the competitions, and to learn how to use mock trials to teach about law in the classroom, the New Jersey State Bar Foundation will sponsor a **FREE WORKSHOP** on October 12, 2023, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick. Register for the workshop online at njsbf.org. Professional development hours will be provided.



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