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Enterprise High School Wins Annual Mock Trial Competition

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On Friday February 14, 2014 the Shasta County District Attorney's Office and Shasta County Superior Court hosted the final round of the Annual Shasta County Mock Trial Competition. Teams from two local high schools competed in the final round by presenting a criminal case. The case was presided over by District Attorney Stephen S. Carlton and each student was evaluated and scored by local attorneys.

The fact pattern this year was a felony case in which the defendant was accused of second degree murder after allegedly giving a prescription drug to a friend with a heart defect. The issues were cause of death and whether the defendant was the one who provided the drugs to the victim. Pre-trial motions involved whether the defendant's vehicle had been illegally searched.

The preliminary rounds took place in January with U-Prep, Enterprise and Shasta High Schools competing. Enterprise High School beat Shasta High School in the finals and will have the opportunity to compete in the State Competition which will take place in San Jose next month.

The competition is a great way for local students to get a first-hand glimpse of how the

criminal justice system works. Local attorneys and teachers donate their time to coach the students in preparation for the competition.

We are hoping to get more schools involved next year. Any high school teachers in Shasta County who would like to participate are encouraged to contact Rachel Donahou at the District Attorney's Office.