



Frequently Asked Questions



How do I schedule my mock trial?

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3! Just **Contact Us** with your requested dates, and we will work with our judges to find a date that works for your group. We recommend scheduling as far in advance as possible, due to often very busy court schedules.



What will happen once I schedule a mock trial?

Once your date has been confirmed, you will receive an agenda via email from our office outlining all of the details of your upcoming visit. If you do not receive an agenda within two weeks of confirming your date, please **Contact Us**.



What grades can participate in the mock trial?

The trial is best suited for grades 4th - 12th. However, we are happy to make exceptions if you feel your students will benefit from this experience. **Contact Us** directly for more information.

What if I want to participate in the mock trial program but can't travel to the courthouse?

Unfortunately, we are unable to bring the mock trial to your school. However, we do have another opportunity for your students. **Court2You** is an excellent opportunity for your students to learn about the judicial system while also getting to meet and speak with one of our judges. Not only that, but this is also a FREE service provided by the Cobb County Superior Court, allowing you to avoid the hassle and expense of transporting your students to the courthouse. **Find Out More**



What is the maximum number of students that can attend the mock trial?

Our courtrooms can only accommodate 75-100 students comfortably. We will be happy to work with you on breaking your visit up into 2 separate days in order to allow all of the students in a certain grade to participate. Please contact us directly for special arrangements. **Contact Us**.





Where is the Cobb County Superior Court Located?

The courthouse is located at 70 Haynes Street, Marietta GA 30090, 1 mile west of the Big Chicken on Roswell Street and 2 blocks east of the Marietta Square. [Map / Directions](#)

Where does the bus driver drop us off?



The Bus driver will drop you and your students off on Haynes Street at the corner of Haynes and Lawrence Street (See Map). [Map](#)

Where does the bus driver park?

After the bus driver has dropped your group off, they can then proceed to the jury lot denoted “A” on the parking map. The Bailiff in lot A will know to expect your bus driver. [Parking Map](#)



Where do we park if we are traveling by car?

Free parking, if available, will be provided to all participants of the mock trial program in our jury lots. You **MUST** let us know prior to arriving that you are driving so that we can notify the Bailiff in the Jury lot to expect you. Jury Lots are denoted as “A” and “B” on the parking map below. The Superior Court cannot reimburse for any parking fees, nor is the Superior Court liable for traffic fines while parking in a 2-hour parking space around the square. Please **DO NOT** forget to [Contact Us](#) after you have scheduled your visit online if you plan on driving. [Parking Map](#)



What can I expect upon our arrival at the courthouse?

A member of our staff will be waiting for you in the lobby of the Superior Court Building to direct you where to go. Once you arrive at the courthouse, everyone in your group will have to go through security screening. Everyone will be asked to remove their belts and any jewelry before going through screening. You will be allowed to put these items back on after the screening is complete. Please do not bring any sharp objects or weapons to the courthouse as these types of items will be confiscated. If you have any other questions regarding the security screening procedures, please [Contact Us](#).



What time does the mock trial begin and what time does it end?

The mock trial will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. We ask that students plan to arrive by no later than 9:45 a.m. so that we have ample time to get through security and up into the courtroom. The actual trial only takes approx. 50 minutes, but the entire process including lunch, will take about 3 hours. [View Sample Agenda](#)





Does the court provide lunch for my students?

No, we do not provide lunch. Students are asked to bring a sack lunch with a drink to the courthouse. We will provide a place for the students to eat at the courthouse before returning back to school. We do have vending machines available to purchase drinks/snacks, but there is no access to a microwave or a refrigerator. Teachers are encouraged to bring coolers to store lunches while the students are participating in the mock trial.



Do we have to eat lunch at the courthouse?

Absolutely not, we can tailor every visit to the personal needs of your group. Just contact us directly to coordinate any changes from our original program. [**View Sample Agenda**](#)



How do I prepare my students for the mock trial?

Our ***You Be The Judge*** section on our website contains useful information to prepare your students for what they will experience during their visit. The only thing we require from you in advance is the casting sheet (available online). See [**Casting Sheet**](#) . We ask that this form be turned into us one week prior to your arrival so that we can prepare the mock trial script with your student's names.



What should my students wear to the mock trial?

Although we do go over what type of attire is expected in the courtroom, we do not enforce a dress code or expect students to come dressed in typical courtroom attire; although we do love to see it! Students may wear whatever they would wear on a typical school day.



Can other groups participate in the mock trial program?

Yes! Boy and Girl Scout troops, as well as home school groups are welcome to participate in the mock trial program. Please contact our staff directly for this type of reservation. [**Contact Us**](#)

How many times can my school attend the mock trial program in one school year?

Registration for your group is limited to one visit per school year.

