



"It is a great way for students to experience the courtroom and legal practices. It builds teamwork, public speaking and interacting with other schools." (Teacher – 2023)

"I have found this a very meaningful experience, which has allowed me to gain numerous skills which have helped me to flourish in many different aspects of my life. I am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to participate in this experience and I would love to do it again. Thank you!" (Student – 2022)

The Law Society's Mock Trial Competition is now in its 37th year. The Competition provides a unique opportunity for an immersive learning experience like no other for WA students in Years 10 to 12.

Within their teams, students take on the roles of barristers, solicitors, witnesses and court staff to prepare and present a case before a judge in a real court room.

The focus of the Competition is on developing advocacy skills, not knowledge of substantive law.

Through their team participation, students enhance their analytical thinking, problem solving, ability to think on their feet, teamwork and communication skills while experiencing the WA legal system firsthand.

The MTC is a SCSA endorsed program. Students who attend at least 3 mock trials are eligible for WACE Accreditation. If your school has an ICSEA value of 1,000 or less your school is eligible for the Student Access Program. See the Fee Schedule for more information.

"The mock trial experience is so valuable to Year 11 and 12 students of Politics & Law and also to interested year 10 students. Every year my students gain so much insight into our legal system and it is great to watch their confidence grow after each round." (Teacher – 2023)

EVENT INFORMATION

Competition Dates for 2024

Round 1

5 - 21 March (all teams)

Round 2

30 April - 16 May (all teams)

Round 3

4 - 20 June (all teams)

Final Rounds (top 16 teams)

6 - 8 August (Preliminary Finals)

3 - 5 September (Semi-finals – 4 teams)

Mid-October (Grand Final - date TBC)

Please note dates are subject to change.

Registration

School teams are registered via the online registration form on the Law Society website.

Details of the 2024 registration fees are available on the website (see Fee Schedule).

Registrations close Wednesday 14 February 2024.

More information

If you have any queries, please contact mocktrial@lawsocietywa.asn.au.

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