



## 2022 NHSMTC

### Judge & Officer Orientation

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(Still a few items to provide but this should be a great start. Thank you!)

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### NHSMTC Website:

<https://kzoo2022.nhsmtc.org>

<https://2022.nhsmtc.org>

### This Zoom Link

<https://zoom.us/j/99116394339?pwd=TjZ2dlh4a2NOVmNZR0NUcmRuajhqUT09>

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## Our Orientation Outline and Objectives:

### Welcome

- Welcome from the Michigan Center for Civic Education and the NHSMTC
- Appreciation and Acknowledgement of Time, Care, and Expertise from Volunteers and Sponsors
- Welcome from Governor Whitmer!
- Updates: By the Numbers
  - Legal Teams - 46 - from 44 states and one additional country
  - Companion Programs
    - Courtroom Artists - 13
    - Courtroom Journalists - 5 (first year offering)
  - Accommodations - none known
- Special Events
  - Share and Invite to Educational Seminars [Register](#)
  - Judges Reception Information and [RSVP Link](#)
  - Awards Gala Information and [RSVP Link](#)

## Competition Materials

- **Judges Resource Packet. Contains:**
  - Judges Checklist
    - Larry Bakko Award Reminders (see below)
    - Star Awards (see below)
  - [What to Look For](#)
  - [Performance Scoring Matrix](#)
  - Links to Electronic Ballot
    - [Practice](#)
    - [Real](#)
    - [PDF for Paper Copies](#)
    - Please print and keep paper copies!
  - [Case Materials](#) and Updates (Wed 4/27)
  - [Scoring Matrix](#)
- [Officer/Liaison Script / Checklist](#)
- [Courthouse Monitor Checklist](#)

## Competition Logistics

- Review Any Known Student Needs
- Review Virtual Protocols
  - [Naming Conventions](#)
  - Zoom and Breakout Room Movement - What to Expect
    - Courthouse - Welcome and Rename
    - Orientation Breakout Room - Check-In and Final Reminders
    - Chambers - Meet and Greet. Review.
    - Courtroom - Trial
    - Chambers - Deliberate (Jury Room)
    - Courtroom - Critique/Wise Feedback
    - Chambers (optional) - Submit Ballot
  - Artist and Journalist Expectations - Round 3
- [Practice Schematic](#) - how to read, log-on, manage expectations
  - 4 Courthouses Each with its Own Zoom Link
  - Rename
- Communication, Screen Sharing, Timekeeping
- Conflicts
- [FAQ/Cheat Sheet](#)
- Backgrounds



- Zoom Background - An 2022 NHSMTC Zoom background is available [here](#)

### **Q&A/More...**

## **Educational Seminars!**

- We are working on finalizing the educational seminar information. These will be open to each and every mock trial student across the country!
- Registration Required for Zoom Link
- Ask: State Coordinators Please Share with All Teachers and/or Students & Promote on Social Media
- Registration will be online as well
- Register [here](#) or <https://bit.ly/2022EdSeminars>
- [Link to PDF](#) for distribution
- A draft is:

# EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

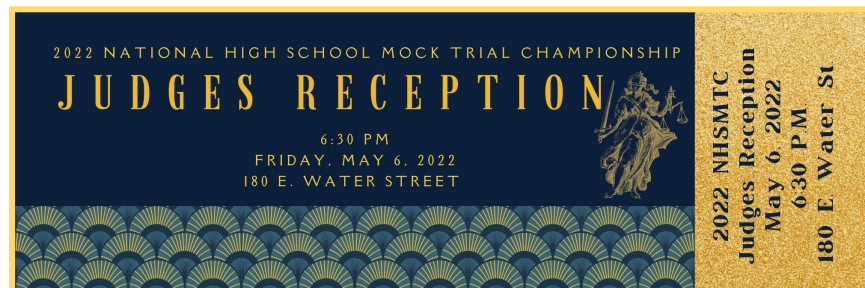
## Thursday, May 5, 2022

Simply RSVP [here](https://bit.ly/2022EdSeminars) (or <https://bit.ly/2022EdSeminars>) to receive the link for the Zoom. This is open to ALL mock trial and interested members (including but never limited to the national qualifiers). All students, teachers, coaches, volunteers, are invited! Hope to see you there!

| Time                   | Academic Futures                                                                                                                      | Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion                                                                                     | Companion Programs                                                                                                                    | Call to Civic Action                                    |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Session A<br>3:00 pm   | Navigating Next Steps for a Legal Career : Thinking through Undergraduate & Law School Possibilities                                  | Creating Inclusive Spaces: Deaf & Hard of Hearing Needs in the Law                                                 | Journalism: Chronicling the Human Stories inside the Courtroom                                                                        |                                                         |
| Session B<br>4:30 pm   | Collegiate Mock Trial - A Panel discussion and invitation into College Mock Trial. Moderated by host & sponsor - Northwood University | Reflection on Representation in the Law: A Call for Personal and Professional Initiatives for Equity and Diversity | Illustration in Focus: Storytelling the Courtroom Drama through Visual Design Tips and Critiques from Kendall College of Art & Design | MyVote Matters!: Student Voter Registration Initiatives |
| After Hours<br>5:45 PM | Breakout Rooms for Connecting, Networking, and Meet & Greets!<br>Network with firms, academic institutions, and so much more!         |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                       |                                                         |

## Special In-Person Events

### Judges Reception RSVP link



For those volunteering in person, please RSVP for the judges reception [here](#).

For all in person volunteers including judges, board members, officers, and facilitators, you will receive one complimentary ticket. Additional



tickets may be purchased by submitting an additional RSVP using the link above.

### Awards Gala RSVP link



For those volunteers, sponsors, and more in person, please RSVP for the awards gala [here](#).

For all in person volunteers including judges, board members, officers, and facilitators, you will receive one complimentary ticket. Additional tickets may be purchased by submitting an additional RSVP using the link above.

## The Larry Bakko Professionalism and Civility Awards

The *Larry Bakko Professionalism and Civility Award* is sponsored by the **National High School Mock Trial Championship** and was created to highlight the importance of professionalism among teams while honoring Larry Bakko's passion and dedication for Mock Trial.

The Team Professionalism Award nomination ballot is included below. During the competition experience (inside and outside the courtroom), your team and coaches will observe other participating teams and, using a subjective process, will nominate another team to be considered for the *Larry Bakko Professionalism and Civility Award*. Teams may take into account the behavior of students, coaches, and spectators associated with other teams when making an award nomination.

Teams may not campaign for this award. When discussing this award with students, it is hoped that coaches will emphasize the importance of professional behavior inside and outside the courtroom. This includes participation at virtual events. The discussion of this award will provide an excellent opportunity to review the Code of Ethical Conduct and the Rules of the Competition that deal with ethics and decorum. Discussions about this award will provide coaches the opportunity to discuss the high standards of professionalism attorneys are held to as members of the Bar.

The qualities that teams nominated for the award must demonstrate inside and outside the courtroom include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional demeanor</li> <li>Civility</li> <li>Integrity</li> <li>Honesty</li> <li>Fair play</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respect for the competition</li> <li>Respect for fellow competitors</li> <li>Respect for volunteers and all associated with the program inside and outside the courtroom throughout the competition</li> </ul> |
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**Each team must submit one team ballot nominating another team for the Professionalism Award.** A team may not nominate itself. A team may nominate another team that they competed against in one of their rounds, or not, as it sees fit. The NHSMT Board of Directors will not recommend a particular process by which each team determines their nomination, but suggests that coaches take student input into account when completing the nomination ballot. How a team reaches the decision to nominate another team for this award is completely within the purview of that team.

**All ballots are due before a team signs out of the trial and after the fourth round on Saturday. Ballots will be submitted online [here](#).** Do not exit the courtroom before submitting the *Larry Bakko Professionalism and Civility Award* nomination ballot. For questions regarding this award, contact the NHSMT Board **BEFORE** the national competition begins.

More information:

- [Full Description](#) of the Award
- Direct Link to the online [Ballot](#)

## Star Awards

**Star Witness Awards** and **Star Attorney Awards** will be given out during each round of competition. The competing students on each team will decide who they thought demonstrated an amazing performance as a witness and as an attorney from the opposing team. So - for each round of competition, the competing students on each team will present an outstanding witness and attorney award from the opposing team and acknowledge them with a (virtual) certificate at the conclusion of the critique.

These will be announced at the end of the trial and here's how.

- Students may use the time judges are in their virtual chambers to confer and decide on the recipients. Teams are responsible for ensuring they confer and announce their choices.
- After the judges return, and at the conclusion of the critique, with or without the judges present (judges choice), students should initiate the exchange.
- Courtroom officers/liaisons are encouraged to remain for the exchange once their judges are set in their chambers.
- For rounds 1-3, judges are expected to confer in their chambers prior to their critique. There is no critique for round 4.
- We suggest the Plaintiff initiate the exchange. If however this is forgotten, Defense should remind the Plaintiff to do so.

Copies of the certificates can be found below and online. If you won a Star Award during the competition, please download your certificate below and complete the information. Congratulations on being recognized by your peers!

| <u>Certificate for Attorneys</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <u>Certificate for Witnesses</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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|  <p>2022 National High School Mock Trial Championship</p> <p><b>STAR ATTORNEY AWARD</b></p> <p>This Award is presented to _____<br/>for an outstanding performance during the<br/>2022 National High School Mock Trial Championship.</p> <p>Your peers have recognized and honored your excellence.</p> <p>Awarded by School Code or State _____</p> <p> NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL<br/>MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP</p> <p> MICHIGAN CENTER<br/>FOR<br/>CIVIC EDUCATION</p> <p><small>AWARDED MAY 4-7, 2022</small></p> |  <p>2022 National High School Mock Trial Championship</p> <p><b>STAR WITNESS AWARD</b></p> <p>This Award is presented to _____<br/>for an outstanding performance during the<br/>2022 National High School Mock Trial Championship.</p> <p>Your peers have recognized and honored your excellence.</p> <p>Awarded by School Code or State _____</p> <p> NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL<br/>MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP</p> <p> MICHIGAN CENTER<br/>FOR<br/>CIVIC EDUCATION</p> <p><small>AWARDED MAY 4-7, 2022</small></p> |

## Case Materials & Updates

The 2022 civil case can be found here:

<https://kzoo2022.nhsmtc.org/info/materials/case-materials>

Revision

Also, a fully revised case should be released, **Wednesday April 27 by 5 PM ET.**

Materials will be linked here and posted online at the official website under case.

## Volunteer Recruitment

<https://kzoo2022.nhsmtc.org/actions/volunteer/>

Please help recruit a geographically representative judging pool! There are three options to complete for volunteering. Each will indicate if planning to be in person in Kalamazoo (adults only) or virtual. Descriptions and qualifications are listed in detail. A flyer for your use is [here](#) and attached as a PDF. (updated 3/31) Please share widely!!

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## VOLUNTEER!

Event Volunteers serve a vital role in the success of our competition. The following volunteer roles are needed:

- Judge Signup
  - Presiding Judge
  - Scoring Judge
- Facilitation
  - Courtroom Officers
  - Volunteer Timekeepers
  - Courthouse Monitors
- Hospitality and Hosting