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Holy Spirit High School Wins Atlantic County Mock Trial Competition

Holy Spirit High School in Absecon defeated Hammonton High School to win this year's Atlantic County Mock Trial Competition.

Superior Court Judges James E. Isman, Bernard E. Delury Jr., Mark H. Sandson, James P. Savio, Joseph E. Kane, and retired Judges Steven P. Perskie and Anthony Gibson presided over the competitions. Judge H. Robert Switzer, a Municipal Court judge, joined the Superior Court judges.

Holy Spirit dedicated the win to one of their attorney-coaches, former assistant prosecutor Daniel J. Murray, who died on June 29, 2009. Murray coached the team with Robert Beakley for 20 years. Beakley continues to coach the team.

This year's mock trial was based on a fictional criminal case involving the alleged kidnapping of a 12-year old child by a babysitter. The competitions were held at the Criminal Courts Complex in Mays Landing and the Atlantic County Civil Courts Building.

Holy Spirit will move on to the regional competition on Tuesday Feb. 9 and will compete against the first round winners from the morning competitions. The competition will be held at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick.

Regional finals will be held on March 16. Regional winners will compete in the state semi-finals at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick on March 18. The semi-final winners will compete for the statewide championship at the Law Center on March 24.

The Atlantic County High School Mock Trial Program is sponsored by the Atlantic County Bar Association and the New Jersey State Bar Foundation in cooperation with New Jersey Superior Court Atlantic and Cape May counties.

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