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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am delighted to be able to inform you that Glenlola Collegiate will take part in the Young Citizens Bar Mock Trial Competition for 2025-2026.

This is a fantastic opportunity for any pupil current in Year 13 or 14 who is considering a career in the justice system. The programme includes using tailored and age-appropriate legal resources to build a case, which will be acted out in a criminal trial in a real court, in front of a real judge. In taking part in the programme, pupils will also gain an insight into the world of Law and gain experience which may be extremely valuable when applying for university.

This competition will run between September and December, with the winning teams from each regional heat advancing to the national final in March 2026.

In school, the programme will take the form of one after-school session per week (lasting between sixty and ninety minutes), plus individual study and preparation between sessions. Pupils must be willing to commit to uphold this commitment and be prepared to complete all the required preparation and research work before applying to be part of the team.

Pupils can apply to be part of the programme by joining the Google Classroom for Bar Mock Trial, which they can access with the code distributed in school and via their Year Group Google Classrooms. **Applications close at 15:30 on Friday 5th September.** As there are a limited number of spaces on the team, an additional application and/or interview process may then be followed.

If you would like any additional information, please see the Young Citizens website <https://www.youngcitizens.org/programmes/the-bar-mock-trial-competition/>.

Kind regards,



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