

FACTS ABOUT DUI

Traffic collisions are the leading cause of death among teenagers. Here are some sobering facts about DUI (driving under the influence):

- ▶ Alcohol is involved in about 40% of all fatal car crashes.
- ▶ Eight teens die every day in DUI crashes.
- ▶ In 2006, 17,602 people in the US were killed in alcohol-related car crashes.
- ▶ In 2005, in California, 1,387 people died and 20,581 were injured in DUI-related car crashes.
- ▶ Drivers with a blood alcohol content (BAC) of only 0.02%-0.05% are 7 times more likely to die in a crash than sober drivers.

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*The Solano County Justice Partners
are pleased to bring the
Real DUI Court In Schools Program
to the youth of our community:*

**Superior Court of California,
County of Solano**

**Solano County
District Attorney's Office**

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Solano County Real DUI Court in Schools Program



*A Solano County Justice Partners
Collaborative Project*



*"Courtroom Scene"
by Marlena Hammond
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Have a Real DUI Trial at Your School

This enlightening program has received accolades from teachers and students alike.

Here's what students had to say:

"What I liked most about this trial was the overall experience. I personally saw the judicial system at work and being able to integrate laws into making a decision."

"I enjoyed the ability to be close up and involved. I also enjoyed being able to see how a real trial takes place."

Teachers had the following comments:

"I sincerely hope this will become an annual event. It was a great academic and relevant experience and I believe it will have long-lasting effects."

"This is an example of how the justice system works. There's nothing mock or unreal about this."

If you would like to have a Real DUI Trial at your school, please contact :

Superior Court of California,
County of Solano
Real DUI Court in Schools Program
707-207-7370
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PROGRAM MISSION

The Solano County Real DUI Court in Schools Program strives to prevent teens from driving under the influence through education and by example.



Student "jurors" at Jesse M. Bethel High School, Assistant District Attorney Robert Jones and Officer Kyle Wylie listen intently to testimony given during the court proceedings. Serving as advisory jurors, students learn the function of a real jury. In this DUI trial, the judicial officer renders the official verdict.

Remember...

Each of us has the power to make the right choice.



At Jesse M. Bethel High School, the Honorable Raymond C. Wieser, Jr., facilitates discussion with students after the DUI trial.

The Real DUI Court Trial

To help reduce the staggering number of DUI-related teen deaths that happen every year, Solano County justice partners collaborated to bring the Real DUI Court in Schools Program to our community's youth. A real DUI court trial is brought directly into the schools, providing students with a comprehensive education on the dangers of driving under the influence.

This is an actual DUI trial of a young adult. An actual courtroom is set up, with a judicial officer, bailiff, attorneys, court reporter, witnesses, defendant, and a student "jury." The jury is used for educational purposes, but the judge actually decides the case. After the trial, the judge has the opportunity to speak candidly to the students about the consequences of DUI.