

Middle School Mock Trial Class

Valley Catholic Middle School students have the opportunity to enroll in an after-school Mock Trial class for students in grades 6 – 8. Mock Trial is an academic class which covers the fundamentals of how trials work and their function in our culture. Materials will be used from a variety of sources, including the Classroom Law Project. This is also a hands-on class, which will involve speaking in front of other members of the class. The class will also include an explanation of the American system of justice. This class will not involve a competition as a culmination of the class.

Any classes missed by the instructor due to legal responsibilities or for other reasons, will be rescheduled. For example, there will be no class on Monday, December 5, 2011. The last scheduled class will be December 12, 2011, for a total of 12 classes. The cost for the class is \$120 for the term.

Jim Maher graduated from Colorado College with a BA in philosophy, the University of Montana Graduate School with an MA in philosophy and the University of Montana School of Law with a JD degree. Since becoming a lawyer he has held a variety of positions, such as Special Agent with the FBI, state prosecutor, federal prosecutor, labor lawyer, and criminal defense lawyer. He has been on the music faculty at Valley for the last twelve years, as well as a former full-time teacher at Valley for three years.

Classes will meet after school on Mondays from 3:25 – 4:25 pm in the Middle School Building.

Cost will be \$120.00 for 11 classes – September 26th to December 12th. In addition, there is no class on 12/5. If school is not in session, due to inclement weather, there will not be class.

Please make checks payable to Jim Maher.

Class minimum 10 students.

First class begins Monday, September 26th.

Please return the form and payment to the Middle School Office.

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Please Print:

Student Name

Grade

Parent Name

Parent Phone Number