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## Woods Dedication Award



Henry Leaman, a coach from Clay High School in South Bend, received the 2020 Woods Dedication Award. Henry advised their all-girls team in 2019, and under his guidance, the school earned its first trip to the state competition, where they finished in the top 10. He spent hundreds of hours with the team and served as a catalyst for the upswing of the mock trial program at Clay. The students accepted the award on his behalf at the State Finals.

## Mock Trial State Finals Results



Congratulations to team "Snake Out" from John Adams High School, South Bend, on winning the 2020 Indiana High School Mock Trial State Finals! The team competed in five intense rounds of competition on March 7 and 8. Indiana Supreme Court Justice Steven David presided over the final trial in the Indiana Supreme Court's courtroom with former Chief Justice Randall Shepard, Judge Melissa May, Judge Martha Wentworth, and Judge Heather Welch serving as scoring judges. See photos of all the award winners [here](#).

## COVID-19 Civic Education Response

Due to the health risks of the COVID-19 virus, the Foundation along with its partner organizations made the decision to cancel several upcoming events, including the [2020 National High School Mock Trial Championship](#), previously scheduled for Evansville, Indiana this May. Other events that were affected include the U.S. Senate Youth Program's Washington Week, the [We the People National Finals and Invitational](#), and the We the People Elementary State Showcase.

We were excited for what we had planned this spring, but we must put the safety of the students, teachers, family members, and volunteers first. We appreciate your understanding and support of these difficult decisions.

Teachers who would like to discuss civic education programming or to brainstorm digital lesson plan ideas are encouraged to contact Tim Kalgreen at [tkalgreen@inbf.org](mailto:tkalgreen@inbf.org).

## COVID-19 Legal Assistance Response

Indiana's civil legal aid community is moving quickly to provide remote support for low- and modest-income

Hoosiers seeking civil legal assistance. For information and resources about civil legal issues affected by COVID-19, see [IndianaLegalHelp.org](https://www.indianalegalhelp.org).

As the U.S. reacts to the spread of COVID-19, people of low income often suffer the most severe and long-lasting consequences of disaster, including significant civil legal needs. Attorneys can help now, from home or anywhere, through [Indiana Free Legal Answers](https://www.indianafreelegalanswers.org). Register as a pro bono attorney to answer civil legal questions from low-income Hoosiers.

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