

## CK McClatchy Law & Public Policy Academy

CK McClatchy Law & Public Policy Academy is a 4- year, college preparatory academy in which students will take a journey that will introduce them to the vast landscape of law and public policy. Each successive year, students will delve deeper into the legal profession, career opportunities, the substantive areas and history of law, as well as public policy issues and their possible solutions.

Year 1(Freshman): The first year will carry students through a general survey of the law including the constitution, fundamental legal concepts and principles, government, public policy and the various substantive areas of law. Fourth year students will mentor incoming freshman act Senior Class, to guide and assist freshman during the first year at CKM and to help ensure academic success.

Year 2 (Sophomore): Second year students will engage in a more detailed examination of the law with specific attention paid to career opportunities, foundations of legal practice & profession and related industries. Students for study Criminal Law & Procedures, Torts, Public Policy, and Civil Procedures. Guest speakers help lead students in discussions commensurate with the subjects. Students will also take field trips to various locations such as State Capital, U.C. Davis/Law School, San Francisco/Sacramento Courts – Superior & Appellate, McGeorge Law School; Sac State Peak Adventures Rope Course.

<u>Year 3 (Junior):</u>  $3^{rd}$  year students will expand their studies to include Family Law & Domestic Relations, Wills & Estates, Business & Corporate Law, and Public Policy. Students take forensics and tour CSI labs and related facilities. Guest speakers will bring the practical world of the law into the classroom. Year 3 students participate in a Mentorship program with lawyer-Mentors each month to help broaden student exposure to the law, the legal environment, employment opportunities, as well as provide guidance and assistance when needed. Student is year 3 participation in Mock Trial (more about that later). Field trips include the Ca. Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, State Capital, U.C. Berkeley, Sac State Ropes Course, etc.

Year 4 (Senior): During the fourth year, students concentrate their studies on the historical development of the Anglo-American legal system starting with the development of English common law, courts, and significant statutes. Students focus next on the historical developments of American legal concepts & principles from 1787 through today. The second semester focuses on special projects in constitutional law and public policy together with select topics in civil rights & liberties. Guest speakers will again visit our class as warranted. Filed trips include Ca Supreme Court.







