Law-Related Education (LRE) Time Line 2014-15 (revised 6/16/14)

SMU’s Public Service website: http://www.law.smu.edu/Public-Service

(Click on “Law-Related Education” in left side-bar.)

- **Friday, August 29**
  Last day to return Class Schedule for participation in the LRE program (Please notify Lynn Moubry, if any changes are made to your class schedule. Phone: 214.768.2761; Email: Lmoubry@smu.edu)

- **September 2-10**
  Law student teams are matched with DISD classes.

- **Friday, September 12**
  Mandatory training for law students / distributing LRE materials / visiting with your DISD teacher(s)

  3:40 to 4:30 pm – Hillcrest
  Orientation for DISD teachers / meeting your law student teams

- **Week of Sept. 15-19**
  Observe elementary school class / learn class rules and student names

- **Week of Sept. 22-26**
  Session 1: Lawmaking (tab 2)* - U.S. System of Government / Constitution / Balancing Rights with Responsibilities / Rules & Laws

  [Important! Please check with your DISD teacher each week concerning any scheduling changes or testing, which may affect your school’s schedule.]

  - **Week of Sept. 29-Oct. 3**
    Session 2: Bill of Rights (tab 3) *
  - **Week of Oct. 6-9**
    Session 3: Civil Law (tab 4) * (short week: Oct. 10th – Elementary Fair Day Holiday)
  - **Week of Oct. 13-17**
    Session 4: Civil Law (tab 4) *
  - **Week of Oct. 20-24**
    Session 5: Criminal Law (tab 6) *
  - **Week of Oct. 27-31**
    Session 6: Criminal Law (tab 6) *

Mock Trial/SMU Field Trip form (tab 9) must be returned before Nov. 1st to:
or fax to 214.768.4688
or scan/email to Lmoubry@smu.edu

(Reminder - The 5th grade teacher must reserve a DISD school bus for the field trip to SMU!)

  - **Week of Nov. 3-7**
    Session 7: Election Process / Vote for Mock Trial script (tabs 5&7)*
  - **Week of Nov. 11-14**
    Session 8: American Legal System / Courts / Jury Selection / Witnesses (tab 7) * (short week: Nov. 10th – DISD Student Holiday)
  - **Week of Nov. 17-21**
    Make-up or additional session, if needed. Email the name of your script and the number of children to Lynn Moubry: Lmoubry@smu.edu, so that copies may be made during winter break.

  [Reminder! If possible, each LRE law student should attempt to maintain the same teaching time slot, when scheduling for SMU spring semester law classes, in order to avoid complicated scheduling changes.]

* Sessions 1-8 may be taught in any order.
[Law students, if your spring semester class schedule for law school cannot accommodate your DISD fall teaching time, please discuss alternative time slots with your teacher and LRE partner in November (only 4 teaching sessions are needed for the spring semester).

Please contact your DISD teacher before Thursday, January 8, 2015, to finalize schedules for the four remaining classes during the spring semester. During December, DISD schools occasionally make schedule changes for the spring semester, of which you may be unaware.]

Please read scheduling options below**

- **Week of Jan. 8-9** Make-up or additional session, if needed  
  (short week)  
  (Jan. 5th DISD Student Holiday/Staff Development)

- **Week of Jan. 11-16** Session 9:  
  Mock Trial (tab 8)

- **Week of Jan. 20-23** Session 10:  
  Mock Trial (tab 8)  
  (short week)  
  (Jan. 19th DISD / SMU holiday)

- **Week of Jan. 26-30** Session 11:  
  Mock Trial (tab 8)

- **Week of Feb. 2-6** Session 12:  
  Mock Trial final rehearsal (tabs 8 & 9)

- **Weeks of Feb. 9 – Feb. 13**  
  Feb. 16 – Feb. 19  
  Feb. 23 – Feb. 27  
  Mar. 2 – Mar. 6  
  SMU Field Trip Tour/Lunch/Mock Trial (tab 9)**

  The field trip is not mandatory, but the children enjoy it. Please use this time for make-up or additional sessions. **Note:** SMU spring break is March 9th – 13th. DISD spring break is March 16th – 20th.

** Scheduling Options – The mock trial field trips to SMU are scheduled beginning February 9th and running through March 6th. In order to avoid a lengthy delay between the final teaching session and the actual mock trial at SMU, your DISD teacher may choose to delay beginning Sessions 9-12, using one of the following suggested options:

Mock Trial/Field Trips: Feb. 9 – Feb. 13  
Begin Sessions 9 – 12 the week of  
January 12, 2015

Mock Trial/Field Trips: Feb. 16 – Feb. 19  
Begin Sessions 9 – 12 the week of  
January 20, 2015

Mock Trial/Field Trips: Feb. 23 – Feb. 27  
Begin Sessions 9 – 12 the week of  
January 26, 2015

Mock Trial/Field Trips: Mar. 2 – Mar. 6  
Begin Sessions 9 – 12 the week of  
February 2, 2015

**NOTE:** Monday LRE teaching days – if your mock trial is Feb 9-13, please begin one week earlier than the dates listed above to accommodate for the MLK Holiday, January 19, 2015.

Friday LRE teaching days - if your mock trial is Feb. 23-Mar 6, please begin one week earlier than the dates listed above to accommodate for the DISD student holiday, Feb. 20, 2015.

*** TESTING (tentative dates) - Mock trials may not be scheduled during STAAR testing. Please check with your elementary school teacher concerning spring testing preparation times, and to confirm testing dates. STAAR (formerly TAKS) DISD 5th grade tests are currently scheduled for:

Monday, March 30, 2015 - Tuesday, March 31, 2015 - Math/Reading 5th grade;  
Wednesday, April 22, 2015 - Science 5th grade.