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St. Mary's Academy Mock Trial Blue Team Advances to State Competition Held in downtown Portland on March 12-13



Portland, Ore. – **March 2, 2010** – St. Mary's Academy proudly announces the Mock Trial Blue Team advanced to state competition after placing fourth in the Multnomah regional competition held on February 27. The state competition will be held at the Mark O. Hatfield federal courthouse in Portland on March 12 and 13.

"SMA Mock Trial is very excited to be sending a team to state for the fourth year in a row," said Alyssa Tormala. "All of the students on both of the SMA teams worked very hard and deserve lots of credit for their excellent performances at the Regional Competition."

The following students comprise the Blue Team and St. Mary's Academy wishes them the best of luck during their upcoming competition.

Mary Huber
Gracie McManas
Anna Alexakis
Alex Daly
Angela Hajihashemi

Summer Kennedy
Shanley Bianca
Olivia Hinerfeld
Stephanie Nelson

Anna Gilles
Annamarie White
Caitlin Grant
Roxy Glad

The St. Mary's Academy White Team placed sixth in the regional competition and narrowly missed the opportunity to join the Blue Team at the state competition.

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About St. Mary's Academy

Founded in 1859 by the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, St. Mary's Academy is Oregon's oldest continuously operating secondary school and one of 716 all-female schools in the country. The student body represents a diverse background of young women from over 30 urban, suburban, and rural communities in Oregon and southwest Washington. St. Mary's Academy is distinguished by its development of the whole person, and is the only school in the state to receive three U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools awards. For more information about St. Mary's Academy, please visit: www.stmaryspdx.org.