

# MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT



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### **LAW CAREER PROGRAMS FOR JUNIOR HIGH, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO BE OFFERED BY MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT LEARNING CENTER**

LANSING, MI, March 17, 2006 – Junior high and high school students can explore legal careers this summer in week-long programs at the Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center.

Two programs will be offered, one for students entering grades 10 through 12 and another for students entering grades 7 through 9. The 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade program is scheduled for June 26-30; the 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade program is set for July 17-21. Both programs will take place at the Michigan Hall of Justice, which is located at 925 West Ottawa Street in Lansing. Participants will meet from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

Rachael Drenovsky, Learning Center Coordinator, said the programs are designed for students who are interested in law-related careers.

The participants will meet with judges, lawyers, and other legal professionals, Drenovsky explained.

“In addition, the high school students will practice skills that they would need in the law, while the junior high group will observe actual court proceedings,” Drenovsky said. “Our goal is to give the students a real-life view of legal careers.”

The junior high program includes tours and other activities; the last day of the program will include time for students to show what they have learned. High school students will prepare for and participate in a “moot court,” similar to arguments before the Michigan Supreme Court.

Registration is limited to 20 students per session; places in the programs are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The registration deadline is May 15, 2006. Tuition is a \$75 tax deductible donation to the Michigan Supreme Court Historical Society Learning Center Fund. For an application form, or for more information, contact Rachael Drenovsky at 517-373-5027 or [drenovskyr@courts.mi.gov](mailto:drenovskyr@courts.mi.gov).

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