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COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
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COURT IN SCHOOL DAY

Assistant Presiding Judge George A. Miram of the San Mateo County Superior Court and Superintendent Tom Mohr of the San Mateo Union High School District jointly announced today the creation of “Court’s in School Day” on May 16, 2003. Judge Miram, who oversees the court’s community outreach programs, stated that the program, developed by Presiding Judge Mark R. Forcum, would send judges to one of the San Mateo Union High School District schools to teach government classes on May 16. Judge Miram went on to say that the goal of the program is to educate students about the wide variety of issues judges deal with every day, including protection of public safety, victim impact statements and alternative sentencing options.

Superintendent Thomas Mohr indicated that Social Studies Coordinator, Lee Swensen, worked with Judge Forcum to develop an innovative, thought provoking program that revolves around a wide variety of criminal law sentencing issues involving an actual robbery and residential burglary case. San Mateo Superior Court judges George Miram, Mark Forcum, John Runde, Robert Foiles and Marie Weiner are participating in the program being held at Aragon, Hillsdale, Burlingame, Millbrae and Capuchino high schools.

