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DOMINION CHRISTIAN SCHOOL WINS AT THE STATE MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Reston, VA., - On March 9-10, students from Dominion Christian School (Oakton & Reston, VA) took first place in the Virginia High School Mock Trial Tournament held at the William and Mary School of Law. Twelve teams from across the state of Virginia competed to represent Virginia in the National Tournament, to be held in Reno, NV this May. The Virginia State tournament—presented by the Virginia Law Related Education Institution and co-sponsored by the Center for Legal and Court Technology—was open to six- to ten-member teams from both public, private, and home schools throughout the state of Virginia and Washington, D.C.

The High School Mock Trial Competition incepts in the fall when students receive a case. In preparation for a courtroom trial, students spend months learning the rules of evidence and procedure and courtroom decorum. "After our final round, the first thing the judge said was, "I can't believe I just saw that." I am incredibly proud of them and it was a privilege to work with assistant coach, Andrea Sommer, in preparing this team," adds Jonathan Bolls, coach to the winning team.

The team that competed at state was comprised of ten members, as follows: William Burns, Lily Flanders, Jordan Giles, Chloe Konson, Daniel McCurdy, Samantha Owen, Luke Simon, Jeff Simon, Lydia Stoner, and Krista Wichterman.

About Dominion Christian School

Serving Northern Virginia for more than 22 years, Dominion provides a comprehensive K-12 classical Christian college-preparatory program. From mummifying chickens in second grade to a Barbarian (student) invasion in fifth grade, to participation in Harkness-style roundtable conversations about Plato, Homer, Augustine, Herodotus, and the founding documents of the United States in the middle and upper school years, Dominion is a place that makes learning rich, engaging, and memorable.

Classical education's holistic approach emphasizes formation, Great Books in the Western tradition, and teaching through the Trivium, a developmentally-sensitive approach to learning that includes formal instruction in grammar (knowledge, facts, and information), logic (the art of argumentation), and rhetoric (the art of writing and oration).

Dominion students routinely score significantly higher on standardized tests than some of the best college-preparatory schools in the country, and Dominion's average high school SAT score is significantly higher than the independent school national averages as well as the Loudoun County Public School averages. For more information about Dominion, please visit www.dominionschool.com

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