



TEXAS YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT

Memo: 2023-2024 Trial Court Updates and Reminders

Please note the following updates to the judicial section documents and procedures. These changes were made in consultation with District Directors, Section Leaders, and the State Office.

Trial Court Section:

- All questions regarding case material and procedures should be submitted via the link on the website (Judicial Section) no later than October 13, 2023. One document will be provided and will include all questions and our responses by October 27, 2023.
- Reminders: scoring rubrics will not be release till the end of September
- 3 Legal Clinics will be offered this fall for teams wanting legal support. Must complete program registration to qualify for YMCA Texas Youth and Government program offerings.
- Teams should review and understand the Bailiff requirements in [Rules and Instruction of Appellate Procedure](#).
- This is a **closed case**, only use cases/sources that are referenced within the case. Please review the Trial Court Case Material for guidance.
- Reminder if there are new clubs starting this year, please take a look at the Judicial Curriculum, made available due to the generous support of the Texas Bar Foundation. Advisors can access the curriculum in the resource portal of the website <https://ymcatexasyg.org/resource-portal/>
- The State Office will continue to use the digital app YAPP at State Conference (YAPP) to announce rounds and release the full Judicial rankings during or after closing ceremonies. We will invite those participants attending state to download the link after District Conferences. ** Some Districts will also use YAPP for District Conference.