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## **Youth Law Fair Steers Teens Toward Law, Education, Positivity**

Students and parents from the Washington metropolitan area gathered on March 22 at the H. Carl Moultrie Courthouse to take part in the 15th Annual Youth Law Fair.

The law fair, a joint effort of the D.C. Bar Litigation Section and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, is a free, daylong educational event that brings together students from D.C. area schools with educators, attorneys, judges, and community leaders to learn about the justice system and to explore issues facing the youth today.



Participants began their day by taking tours of the courthouse and visiting education–related exhibits, and then attending a morning session that featured an interactive discussion of this year’s theme, which focused on youth drug and alcohol use.

The students further explored the issue of alcohol and drug use during a mock trial. This year’s law fair also featured performances by Split This Rock’s 2014 D.C. Youth Poetry Slam Team.—  
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