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LOCAL SCHOOL HOSTS REAL DUI SENTENCING IN SCHOOLS

SHASTA COUNTY – On Tuesday, May 1, 2012 the Anderson High School will be transformed into a real courtroom. Judge Daniel Flynn of Shasta County Superior Court will preside and sentence a real defendant who has been charged with driving under the influence (DUI) in front of approximately 600 students. This assembly is funded by a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to the Office Of Traffic Safety, through California Friday Night Live Partnership. The program is presented in coordination with the Shasta County Chemical People, Shasta County Public Health; Shasta County Public Defender Office; Shasta County Superior Court; and Shasta County District Attorney's Office.

Convening an actual DUI sentencing on a high school campus will allow students to witness a criminal court proceeding and learn about the serious dangers and consequences associated with DUI. It will not be dramatized in any way, as the DUI defendant has entered a plea and agreed to be sentenced before the student body. The court will be physically relocated from the courthouse to the school auditorium and will include the services of a judge, bailiff, district attorney and defense attorney. The Honorable Daniel Flynn, A Deputy Public Defender and Deputy District Attorney will also speak to students about DUI laws involving underage drinking, as well as driving under the influence of prescription drugs, marijuana, and other drugs.



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