

## NEWS RELEASE

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### BUSINESS STUDENTS MEET WITH DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO LEARN ABOUT CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

Fifteen students from Elizabeth High School Business Department attended a day-long session with the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney's office to learn about Criminal Trial Procedure. Deputy District Attorney Amy Ferrin conducted a trial procedure review to begin the day. Assistant District Attorney John Kellner continued the presentation followed by District Attorney George Brauchler who provided an overview of a case he would be personally involved in later in the morning.

Students spent the remainder of the morning observing the jury selection process of a trial in Douglas County Court in which Mr. Brauchler represented the State of Colorado. When the court recessed in the early afternoon, students then had an opportunity to discuss the case and what they observed in the courtroom with all three Prosecutors from the D.A.'s office.

During the final hour of the day, students were able to pose questions to these Prosecutors. Students were exposed to real events in real time and were able to ask questions about the law, the strategy being used in jury selection, and evidence admission. This was a highly interactive and very unique experience for high school students.

The Business Department at Elizabeth High School is very grateful to the Attorneys at the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District and Mrs. Vikki Migoya, Director of Communications for the 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, for providing such a comprehensive experience for our students.

