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Welcome to NCRA's student newsletter, *Up-to-Speed*, featuring insights and tips especially for court reporting students. In this issue, read about a mother and daughter who are pursuing the same career, register for a free student webinar, and find out who is just about to become the most famous court reporter on television.

## Student spotlight

### Seventeen-year-old NCRA member balances high school and college

Jacklyn Koi, of Sacramento, Calif., had a busy summer. First, she enrolled as a student in a court reporting program. Next, she attended the NCRA Conference & Expo. While there, she joined NCRA, and at seventeen became the youngest known current member. All this before she started her senior year in high school. We talked to Koi and her mother, Marian Koi, who is also a court reporting student.



[Read more.](#)

Do you know a student currently attending a court reporting program who should be in the spotlight? [Let us know.](#)

## School spotlight

# NCRA SCHOOL Spotlight

## San Antonio College and Atlantic Technical College

In every issue we highlight NCRA-approved schools. The court reporter programs offered at these schools have met the General Requirements and Minimum Standards established by the Council on Approved Student Education of NCRA. This is a chance for members to get to know these programs and hear from their students and teachers. This time we feature two schools:

[San Antonio College](#)

[Atlantic Technical College](#)



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## The Fast Lane

NCRA is excited to start a new program to recognize student speed accomplishments. The Student Fast Lane program was created at the suggestion of program administrators and teachers who were inspired by the large student turnout at the 2021 NCRA Conference & Expo. NCRA reached out to all court reporting programs asking for their assistance in recognizing student speed accomplishments at the 150, 160, 180, 200, and 225 wpm speeds, as well as recognizing recent graduates.

[Read more.](#)



## NCRA launches free quarterly webinars for students

NCRA's Student/Teacher Committee is launching a quarterly series of free live webinars targeted toward court reporting and captioning students. The first hour-long webinar, "What happens in Vegas ... Stays with students," will take place Thurs., Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. Eastern.

[Read more.](#)

## How You Can Get Involved with NCRA

**JOIN** NCRA as a student member and get access to discounts on testing, Conference registration, study guides, and more.

**CONTRIBUTE** to *Up-to-Speed* by submitting articles, study tips, questions for reporters and instructors, and other suggestions.

**LEARN** about upcoming scholarship and grant opportunities.



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Finding a quality mentor is one of the most important things you can do in court reporting school.

**Learn about becoming a mentor or finding a mentor.**

## Feature



### Judge Judy adds stenographer to her new courtroom show

The day for Whitney Kumar starts at 7:30 a.m. when she arrives at the television studios in Culver City, Calif. She heads to her personal trailer for hair, makeup, and wardrobe before someone comes to mic her up and escort her on set. Promptly at 10 a.m., Judge Judy Sheindlin calls the court to order, and Kumar is ready to take down seven to ten cases on Amazon IMDb TV's new *Judy Justice* show.

[Read more.](#)

## Grants and scholarships

## NCRF Student Intern Scholarship opens

The National Court Reporters Foundation Student Intern Scholarship is now open for nominations. Two \$1,000 awards will be given to high-achieving court reporting students who have completed the internship portion of their education. The deadline is Dec. 8, 2021.

[Read more.](#)



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## Earn a free student membership through NCRF

Students have an opportunity to earn an NCRF-funded student membership in NCRA through the Student Initiatives Program. To qualify, students need to complete any two oral histories with one of NCRF's Oral Histories Program.

[Learn more.](#)

## Question of the Month

If you are a student, have you started testing for an NCRA certification?

- 20% -Yes. I have taken one or more legs of a test.
- 3.1% - Yes. I have scheduled a test.
- 12.3% - I am planning to test this year.
- 0% - I already have a certification.
- 64.6% - Not yet.
- 0% - Other.

What is your favorite thing about Fall?

The change in the weather/Leaves changing color

Select

Halloween

Select

Thanksgiving

Select

Pumpkin spice latte

Select

Holiday shopping

Select

Something else

Select

Want to see your school in the news? *Up-to-Speed* is looking for news from court reporting programs to feature in our newsletter. Send ideas and information to [jcrfeedback@ncra.org](mailto:jcrfeedback@ncra.org).

## Testing center

- [Registration for Online Skills Tests will be open Dec. 1-20 for testing between Jan. 1 and Jan. 20, 2022](#)
- [Registration for Written Knowledge Tests will be open Dec. 1-31 for testing between Jan. 4 and Jan. 19 2022](#)
- [Exam Retention Policy – Don't wait until it's too late!](#)

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