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2026 Prosecutor Academy Agenda—Yuma County Attorney’s Office

Monday, August 3, 2026

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| 8:30-9:00 | Welcome and Tour of Yuma County Attorney’s Office; Overview of Criminal Court Process Pt. 1 (Arrest, Initial Appearance, Arraignment, EDC) |
| 9:00-9:50 | Superior Court Tour; Shadow Division 5 Court Coverage; Meet Superior Court Judge Nelson; Tentative: Shadow Trial if in Session |
| 9:50-10:00 | Break |
| 10:00-10:45 | In-Chambers Visits with Superior Court Judges |
| 10:45-11:15 | Why Prosecution? Roundtable Discussion with Deputy County Attorneys re: Career Paths |
| 11:15-11:45 | Overview of Criminal Court Process Pt. 2 (CMC, FMC, Settlement Conferences, COP, Sentencing, Trial) |
| 11:45-1:15 | Lunch |
| 1:15-1:20 | Meet at Yuma County Attorney’s Office |
| 1:20-1:30 | Walk to Yuma County Sheriff’s Office for Tour |
| 1:30-3:30 | Tour of Yuma County Sheriff’s Office and Yuma County Adult Detention Center |
| 3:30-3:45 | Break |
| 3:45-4:15 | Issue Spotting and Charging Cases (Lecture and Hypotheticals); Ethics Lecture |
| 4:15-5:00 | Overview of Trial Skills Training Workshop; Model and Practice Trial Skills (How to Establish a Theme and Theory; How to Conduct Voir Dire; Drafting Effective Opening Statements; Conducting Direct and Cross Examination) |

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

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| 8:30-8:45 | Meet at Yuma County Attorney’s Office |
| 8:45-9:00 | Travel to Yuma County Juvenile Justice Center (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 9:00-10:30 | Juvenile Detention Center Tour; Court Tour; Shadow Juvenile Court Coverage |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break |
| 10:45-11:15 | Why Juvenile Prosecution? Roundtable Discussion with Juvenile Deputy County Attorneys |
| 11:15-11:30 | Meet Juvenile Probation Officers |
| 11:30-1:30 | Lunch with Juvenile Court Office (Details to Follow) |
| 1:30-2:00 | In-Chambers Visits with Juvenile Court Judges |
| 2:00-4:00 | Model and Practice Trial Skills (Impeachment; Admission of Evidence; Closing Arguments) |
| 4:00-4:15 | Break |
| 4:15-4:45 | Observe Juvenile Drug Court Proceedings |
| 4:45-5:00 | Travel to Yuma County Superior Court (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |

Wednesday, August 5, 2026

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| 8:30-10:30 | Shadow Division 4 Court Coverage; Tentative: Shadow Trial if in Session |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break |
| 10:45-11:45 | Tour of Territorial Prison (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 11:45-1:15 | Lunch with Main Office (Details to Follow) |
| 1:15-1:30 | Travel to Amberly's Place for Tour (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 1:30-2:30 | Amberly's Place Tour |
| 2:30-2:45 | Travel to Yuma Police Department for Tour (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 2:45-3:15 | Tour of Yuma Police Department |
| 3:15-3:30 | Travel to Yuma County Adult Probation for Tour (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 3:30-4:00 | Yuma County Adult Probation Tour |
| 4:00-4:05 | Travel to Yuma County Superior Court (Attorney KA will provide transportation) |
| 4:05-4:15 | Break |
| 4:15-4:30 | Farewell and Q&A |