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Institute works with students to teach about the practice of law

The Illinois Law & Leadership Institute's summer enrichment pilot program instructors (from left to right) Phillip Rutherford, Clyde Guilamo and Terrance Garmon kept score while quizzing students on their law knowledge during a break in the program at The John Marshall Law School on Wednesday. Chicago area students are participating in the three-week program, ending on Friday, to learn more about a career in law. The institute is developed by the Illinois State Bar Association's Diversity Pipeline Committee and is providing students with the experience as a way to motivate them to develop writing and oral advocacy skills to succeed in high school, college and beyond, according to the ISBA. (See the accompanying photo on page 2.)

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Paula Hudson Holderman of Winston & Strawn LLP and the Illinois State Bar Association's second vice president (left) was happy for ninth-grader Javon Mackey, 14, (right) who correctly answered a legal question during a break in the Illinois Law & Leadership Institute's summer enrichment pilot program at The John Marshall Law School on Wednesday. Twenty-one Chicago ninth- and 10th-graders are participating in the three-week program, ending on Friday, to prepare for a career in law. Students needed to apply with a statement on why they were interested in the program along with two recommendations. The institute is developed by the ISBA's Diversity Pipeline Committee. (See the accompanying photo on page 1.)