



ONEIDA COUNTY TEEN COURT PROCESS



CIRCUIT COURT

Plead guilty to the offense before the Circuit Court Judge

Get forms to Oneida Extension Office within 1 week



TEXT, EMAIL OR DROP OFF




CASE IS SCHEDULED

Cases are heard one of 3 ways:
- At courthouse in person
- On campus in person
- Over zoom

Panelists interview both respondents and their parent/guardians. Sanctions are customized for each person.



CASE IS HEARD BY TEEN PANELISTS


Sanctions are not completed correctly and/or on time. Case goes back to Court. Pay fine, have permanent record.

FAILURE


Sanctions are completed correctly and/or on time. No fine, no record.

SUCCESS



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UW-Extension Office is located at Nicolet College in the Northwoods Center



All Teen Court panelists must take the Oath of Confidentiality. Nothing about the case is shared with anyone afterwards.

ONEIDA COUNTY TEEN COURT



OUR MISSION:

TO BENEFIT YOUTH AND THE COMMUNITY BY PROVIDING AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF ADJUDICATING FIRST-TIME, MINOR JUVENILE OFFENSES.

WE GIVE YOUTH THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE RESTORED TO THEIR PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY WHILE BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS.

WHY CHOOSE THE TEEN COURT PROCESS

PEER -TO-PEER

Youth care about the opinions of their peers, often more than adults. Teen Court cases are heard and decided by a panel of high school students.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Panelists assign tasks that are customized to each person and meant to be educational, not punitive, in order to restore the youth's standing in their communities and families.

THE FUTURE

Successfully completing the tasks assigned by the Teen Court panelists means no fine and no record. A juvenile record can have negative impacts:

- ✗ The military: Disqualification or lower rank upon joining
- ✗ Federal student loans: Disqualification or a lesser loan
- ✗ College applications: Lower ranking
- ✗ Job applications

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Youth 10 - 16 years old whose offense is a first-time misdemeanor crime or ordinance violation
- Youth who have pled guilty or no contest to their charge(s)
- A parent/guardian must accompany the youth to the Teen Court case and be willing to answer questions.
- Youth must be willing to participate. This means being honest with the panelists. Answer all of their questions with more than "yes", "no", "I don't know." The more information panelists have, the better the sanctions.

IS THERE A COST?

\$10 for youth 10 - 13 years old
\$20 for youth 14+ years old

No one will be denied the program due to an inability to pay.
All fees go towards Teen Court training and supplies.



TO GET STARTED

- Fill in the Intake Form and Teen Court Agreement
- Send forms to Teen Court Coordinator, Sharon Krause.
- **DEADLINE IS THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**
- ***The easiest way to submit paperwork: Take clear photos of each of the 4 pages and text them separately to:***

sharon.krause@wisc.edu

- Payment: Check or cash. Both can be brought to your hearing or mailed.

WHEN & WHERE?

Cases are typically heard the 4th week of the month, either in the County Board Room at the Courthouse or on campus at Lakeland High School.