

OPTIONS FOR POSITION ASSIGNMENT			
Court Positions	All Youth	Partial Youth	Adult Only
Judge Model			
Judge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Defense Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Prosecuting Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Baliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Clerk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Jury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tribunal Model			
Judge Panel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Defense Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Prosecuting Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Baliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Clerk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Peer Jury Model			
Judge			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Case Presenter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Baliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Clerk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Adult Judge Model

The Adult Judge Model has youth volunteers serving in the roles of:

- Defense Attorney
- Prosecuting Attorney
- Jurors

Most programs that operate as an Adult Judge Model also use youth volunteers to serve as court clerks and bailiffs. However, in this model, an adult volunteer serves in the role of judge. The judge is typically the only adult involved directly in the proceedings, and the judge's role is to rule on courtroom procedure and clarify legal terminology. This appears to be the model most widely used throughout the United States.

Youth Judge Model

The Youth Judge Model differs from the Adult Judge Model in that youth also serve in the role of judge. Qualifications of youth judges typically include a minimum level of service as teen court attorneys, and minimum age requirements.

Youth Tribunal Model

The primary difference in the Youth Tribunal Model, when compared to all other teen or youth court programs models is that there are no youth jurors. The case is presented by the youth attorneys to a youth judge(s), who determine the appropriate sentence for the teen court defendant. Most programs that use the Youth Tribunal Model employ a panel of three youth volunteer judges. The

youth volunteer judge with the most experience sits in the middle of the panel and can counsel the other two judges, if needed. For those teen/youth court programs that adjudicate cases, this model typically is used for arraignment proceedings.

Peer Jury Model

The main distinction between programs operating under the Adult Judge, Youth Judge or Youth Tribunal Models versus Peer Jury Models, is that peer jury model teen/youth court programs do not use youth in defense and prosecuting attorney roles. Instead, the facts of the case are read by a case presenter and a panel of youth jurors question the defendant directly. Most have an adult volunteer serve in the role of judge. Depending on the program, the case presenter could be the teen court coordinator, a probation or law enforcement officer, or a youth or adult volunteer. Some programs use the peer jury model exclusively, while other programs use this model for certain types of cases being heard or for cases involving younger teen court defendants.