

YOUTH VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicant must demonstrate an ability to treat each case individually, with objectivity and without prejudice. Must have an ability to communicate with young people and work in a group process and be able to maintain confidentiality of all cases.

Applicant must be 12-17. Students must live in _____ County School Districts.

TRAINING:

Initial interview, observation of the diversion process and skill building session focusing on interviewing skills, juvenile justice system, and diversion process. In addition, teen is provided with ongoing feedback after each hearing by Youth Court Coordinator and Judge.

ATTORNEY, CLERK, BAILIFF:

Attend court sessions, follow the guidelines in the handbook for their respective job descriptions, maintain confidentiality, treat all participants with respect, represent their client(s), attend all trainings, and follow the court rules.

JUROR:

Participate as a member of a six-seven person youth jury. Youth jury listens objectively to the court trial about the offense and circumstances surrounding the offense. Assigns consequences designed to hold the youth responsible for his/her actions, accountable to the community and the victim.

JOB FUNCTIONS:

1. Attends scheduled Youth Court hearings.
2. Along with other teen jury members, determines consequences for the offense for youth and community.
3. Presents consequences to the youth, guardian and community.
4. Ensures confidentiality at all hearings.

RESPONSIBLE TO:

Youth Court Coordinator

TIME REQUIRED:

Four evenings a month.

LENGTH OF COMMITMENT:

One Year

COMMENTS:

Must be dependable.