

**COLLIER COUNTY TEEN COURT  
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Dear Applicants:

Welcome to Teen Court!

Teen Court is a program in which high school students volunteer their time to act as jury members, bailiffs, court clerks, and attorneys for both the "State" and the defendant. Teen Court volunteers represent and hear cases of juvenile offenders with charges up to third degree felonies. The Teen Court Jury has the responsibility of imposing appropriate sanctions. It is found that juveniles whose cases have been heard by their peers have a better understanding of accountability and consequences for their behavior. Statistics also show there is a low recidivism rate for those juveniles that have had their cases heard in Teen Court.

Attached please find a Volunteer Information Sheet, Teen Court Agreement, and Release Form. If you unable to complete these forms on line, please print and complete them legibly in ink, and submit them directly to Ms. Carol Fritsch at the address above.

This application must be read and signed by both you and your parent or legal guardian. Please keep in mind that you have two weeks to submit your application. If you fail to do so within this time frame, you can only participate on the **MOCK JURY** for two weeks and accumulate community service hours during that time. Credit for community

service hours will resume once your application is received by Teen Court.

Your interest and involvement in Teen Court is appreciated and needed. We welcome mature and responsible volunteers who want to make a difference in their community. While it is absolutely necessary that you follow the rules of Teen Court, it is also very important that you enjoy helping others and working cooperatively to accomplish the goals of Teen Court. You will find out more information regarding Teen Court at the orientation and training sessions.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at [cfritsch@ca.cjis20.org](mailto:cfritsch@ca.cjis20.org) or at (239) 252-2756.

We look forward to your participation,

Very truly yours,

*Carol Fritsch*  
*Teen Court Coordinator*

# VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

(Please print neatly and in ink)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

\*Email **(must be legible)**: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT TO INCLUDE OR YOU WILL MISS NOTIFICATIONS**

DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female \_\_\_\_\_

School  
Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

(Print Name)

Emergency Name

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Interest:  Juror  Clerk  Bailiff  Attorney

If you have been a volunteer before, when did you start serving?

Month & Year \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to be involved because:

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Volunteer Signature /s/ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

*(must be filled out for volunteer to receive recruitment extra credit)*

# TEEN COURT VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT/RELEASE

BY SIGNATURE BELOW, I AFFIRM, AS DO MY PARENTS/GUARDIAN, THAT I UNDERSTAND- AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATION IN TEEN COURT:

- Volunteers must be compatible with Teen Court's purpose of promoting law-abiding behavior.
- Must abide by the Oath of Confidentiality
- Volunteers are requested to serve one year, notifying Teen Court when unable to attend.
- Volunteers are expected to be respectful to all participants throughout their service.

The most important thing regarding dress and behavior is to show respect for the court proceedings at all times:

**DRESS CODE:** Volunteers are expected to honor the following Dress Code:

**Male Volunteers:** The Court demands respect. Please be neat, clean, and respectable. Dress slacks, khakis, jeans (acceptable only if neat and clean- no holes, fraying, or baggy). A polo shirt or button-down dress shirt, which must be tucked in and slacks belted at the waist. **NO SHORTS, NO HATS, ATHLETIC CLOTHING OR BAGGY ATTIRE.** Court is a place of business. Your dress should reflect a conservative, respectful dress. It is important to be professional with your actions and dress attire.

**Female Volunteers:** The Court demands respect. Please be neat, clean, and respectable. Dress Slacks, khakis, skirts or dresses, blouses. No low cut blouses, short tops or short skirts. **NO SHORTS, NO CAPRIS.** Dress jeans (acceptable only if neat and clean- no holes, fraying or baggy). Please be conscious of tight fitting clothing. Court is a place of business. Your dress should reflect a conservative, respectful dress. It is important to be professional with your actions and dress attire.

**Photo Release:** I understand that I/my child may be photographed and those pictures may be used for publicity purposes at the discretion of the Teen Court Office.

**The right to participate in Teen Court may be revoked at the sole discretion of the Judge and/or Coordinator for violation of the philosophy, purpose and rules of the Teen Court Program.**

It is further agreed that the undersigned do hereby compromise and forever release, acquit, discharge, indemnify and covenant to hold harmless, the Collier County Teen Court and its employees and officials from any and all causes of action, claims, liability, demands, damages, costs, loss of service, medical expense and compensation, on account of or in any way growing out of any and all known and unknown personal injuries, property damage, or any other type of damage, which the undersigned may hereinafter have, individually and/or as parent/guardian or custodian of said minor, resulting or growing out of the participation of the student volunteer in the Collier County Teen Court.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Teen Court Volunteer Signature**