



LEON COUNTY TEEN COURT
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Law Enforcement Interview

The Defendant must interview a law enforcement officer from any agency in Leon County: Tallahassee Police Department, Leon County Sheriff's Office, FAMU PD, FSU PD, or School Resource Officer. You are responsible for calling the agency to set up the interview. This allows the Defendant to have a one-on-one conversation with an officer of the law, providing him/her with personal insight to activities that can land one on the other side of the law. This includes questions about the risks of illegal drug activity, the effects of having a criminal record, the dangers consuming alcohol and their personal experiences with teenagers and crime.

You are required to complete this assignment in order to satisfy the conditions of the Teen Court Program. You should complete all questions as you go through the packet. Do NOT leave any answers blank. An incomplete assignment will require additional sanctions. If you have any questions, you may call the office at 577-4468.

Alcohol/Drug Use Law Enforcement Interview

Instructions: You must interview a law enforcement officer from any agency in Leon County: Tallahassee Police Department, Leon County Sheriff's Dept, FAMU PD, FSU PD, or a school resource officer. You are responsible for calling the agency to set up the interview. You **MUST** address all of the questions listed here during your *face to face* interview. Results of your interview questions should be written on another sheet of paper. You are required to complete this assignment in order to satisfy the conditions of the Teen Court Program. An incomplete assignment will require additional sanctions. If you have any questions, you may call the office at 577-4468.

1. What is the name, and rank of the officer you interviewed? Which agency does he/she work for? How long have they worked there? What are his/her daily job responsibilities?
2. How many alcohol/drug related cases does this officer receive each month?
3. How many of those involve teens?
4. Does the officer view alcohol use or drug use as a big problem in Leon County?
5. What are some of the most common crimes associated with drug/alcohol use?
6. What does the officer think should happen to teens charged with possession of cannabis, drug paraphernalia, or alcohol?
7. What does the officer think of teens who smoke? What would he/she like to see done to underage smokers?
8. Ask the officer to describe the most horrific alcohol/drug related wreck that he/she has ever worked or heard of. Ask him/her to tell you about the injuries sustained by the driver(s), passenger(s), and innocent bystander(s). Ask him/her how it feels to work such an accident.
9. Ask the officer to explain why marijuana is often called the "gateway drug?"
10. Ask the officer what can happen to a person's vehicle or persons in the vehicle if that person is charged with a felony drug charge?

Remember to thank the officer for his/her time in helping you complete this assignment. This assignment is due by your Teen Court deadline.