

FAIRFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM

The Juvenile Diversion Program has been established by the Fairfield Police Department in an effort to divert first-time juvenile offenders from the official court system.

A meeting with the Juvenile Diversion Counselor will be scheduled to explain the program. As a parent or guardian, you are not required to consent to this meeting. If you believe the charge(s) against your child are untrue, if you wish your child's case to be heard in an official setting, or if you wish to obtain the services of an attorney, you need to contact the referring police officer and request that your child's case be referred to the Butler County Juvenile Court for official action.

If you and your child decide to participate in the Juvenile Diversion Program *voluntarily*, you and your child are expected to abide by the program's rules and regulations. At the initial meeting, the criminal charge will be read, and even if the child admits to the charge, the child will *not* have a juvenile record. The police referral will be kept on file and expunged when your child attains the age of 18. Any future contacts with the police, regardless of the criminal offense involved, will cause your child's case to be referred to the Butler County Juvenile Court for official action.

The Juvenile Diversion Program may impose the following dispositions:

- Written letter(s) of apology
- House arrest
- Curfew restrictions
- Restitution
- Referral to counseling/treatment
- Referral to specific corrective programs
- Referral to the Butler County Juvenile Court

If you or your child fail to complete the program requirements, the case will be referred to the Butler County Juvenile Court to be processed officially. All program proceedings are confidential. The Juvenile Diversion Program Contract (next page) will be completed at your initial meeting with the Juvenile Diversion Counselor. We hope that your experience in the program is one that will benefit your child, your family, and ultimately, the community.

**FAIRFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
JUVENILE DIVERSION CONTRACT**

Event # _____

Date _____
Month/Day/Year

In the matter of _____

DOB _____
Month/Day/Year

Name: _____
Last First MI

Address: _____
Number Street City ST Zip Code

Phone: (H) _____ (Cell) _____ (W) _____
(Area Code) (Area Code) (Area Code)

Person(s) Present: _____

On today's date a meeting was completed regarding _____. In lieu of this matter being processed in the Butler County Juvenile Court, it is the recommendation of the Juvenile Diversion Counselor that the juvenile and/or parent(s) agree to the following:

1. I agree to follow all rules and orders of my parent(s) or guardian(s). My parent(s) or guardian(s) are required to contact the Juvenile Diversion Counselor if they become aware of any problems with my behavior.
2. I agree to follow all school rules, regulations, and policies. I will attend school daily.
3. I agree not to partake of any alcoholic beverage or illicit drug and agree to submit to alcohol/drug testing.
4. I agree to follow a curfew of _____ am/pm Sunday through Thursday and _____ am/pm Friday and Saturday.
5. I agree to follow the instructions and recommendations of the Juvenile Diversion Counselor, which may include counseling, treatment, and involvement in other programs. Parents will be responsible for any costs for treatment.
6. I agree to attend all scheduled appointments with the Juvenile Diversion Counselor.
7. I agree to call the Juvenile Diversion Counselor on _____ before 4:00 pm.
8. I agree to the following additional conditions:

The juvenile and parent or guardian hereby acknowledge the contents of this contract and agree to comply with the conditions as stated. The undersigned understand that any violations of the above conditions, or any new charges being filed against the juvenile, will result in the case being sent to the Butler County Juvenile Court. This case will be under the control of the contents of this contract for a period not to exceed 90 days.

Juvenile

Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian

Jean Wesseler, MSC, CCDC III
Juvenile Diversion Counselor