

ERIE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT

Erie County Juvenile Court is expanding community-based resources in an effort to divert youth from official court proceedings and provide additional support for families.



Mission Statement

The goal of the Erie County Juvenile Court, is to serve all citizens with whom it has contact in a manner that:

- Complies with the Constitution of the United States of America and the laws of the State of Ohio.
- Provides maximum services compatible with the judicious and accountable use of public funds.
- Preserves and protects the family unit and minimizes trauma at times when such unit is fragmented and troubled.
- Considers the needs of individuals, families and the general public with bias toward no one.

Assists in the care, protection and supervision of youth toward modifying unlawful and socially unacceptable behavior to a standard that prepares them for a fulfilling, productive adulthood

Erie County Juvenile Court
323 Columbus Ave.
Sandusky, OH 44870
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**HELPING FAMILIES
FIND SOLUTIONS**

FOR

UNRULY YOUTH

RUNAWAYS

**ERIE COUNTY
JUVENILE COURT**

Judge Robert C. DeLamatre



IS THIS PROGRAM FOR YOUR CHILD

Are you struggling with your child's behavior at home? At school?

Is your child disrespectful to you and other family members? Teachers, police officers and other adults?

Is your child refusing to listen and follow your rules?

Is your child leaving home without permission and not keeping you informed of their whereabouts?

Is your child running away from home and gone for long periods of time?

Is your child hanging with people you don't approve?

Have there been changes in your child's school attendance or grades?

Do you need help now?

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK

You and your child will meet with a representative at Erie County Juvenile Court to discuss your concerns. A plan will be developed. Depending on the needs identified, you or your child may be referred for additional services. Those services may include one or more of the following:

Your child may be referred to Pro Kids and Families: a program for unruly and runaway youth provided by Ohio Guidestone. Ohio Guidestone staff will meet with you and your child in your home. They may also make school visits if school behavior is a concern.

Your child may be referred to attend a skill class or program available through Juvenile Court.

Your child may be referred for a drug/alcohol education program or a drug/alcohol assessment and treatment.

Your child may be required to complete a report or project.

HOW DO WE GET STARTED

Referral: You may be referred to the program by another individual (police officer, school official) or you can refer your child.

Appointments: Intake appointments are daily Monday through Friday at 9:00am. **You should come to the first available appointment immediately after the incident.** If you were referred by a police officer, they will instruct you when to report and provide the court with a copy of the incident report. **BOTH YOU AND YOUR CHILD SHOULD ATTEND THE APPOINTMENT.**

Where do I go: You will report to the Juvenile Court Diversion Office at 221 W Parish St. Sandusky, Ohio (this is the same building as Erie County Department of Job and Family Services). As you walk up to the building, there is a door on the left marked Juvenile Court.

Questions: Contact Erie County Juvenile Court at 419-627-7782 ext. 7689.



Referred by:

Appointment Date:
