



TEEN COURT COURIER

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Real teens delivering real justice for real crimes

Message from the Coordinator



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I'm excited to launch the *Teen Court Courier* – a quarterly publication to inform citizens what's going on in Collin County's most innovative program for teens! I hope that you will find the information and stories here helpful and interesting. Teen Court is a unique program and I am privileged to serve the citizens of Collin County as the Teen Court Coordinator and the state of Texas as president elect of the Teen Court Association of Texas.

2008 Internship Applications Now Being Accepted



Teen Court started a summer internship program in 2007. Because of the success, the program is being offered again this summer. Applications are now being accepted. Applications can be obtained by visiting the Teen Court website at:

www.collincountytx.gov/teencourt/

To be eligible for the internship an applicant must:

- 1) Have completed 9th grade by June 30, 2008;
- 2) Have transportation to McKinney;
- 3) Have no criminal history;
- 4) Have parental consent to participate; and
- 5) Be able to attend the entire week of the internship.

There will be three separate week-long internships:

June 16th – 20th July 14th – 18th July 28th – August 1st

Many interns go on to work through the summer in the offices of their interest. This is a great item to put on college and job applications! Students interested in applying should get started as soon as possible.

All applications are due Friday, April 4, 2008

Truancy Prevention Class Begins

In cooperation with Crossroad Family Services of Plano, students in Collin County who are charged with the offense of failure to attend school (truancy) may now be required to attend the Tackling Teen Truancy class.



The class is held the first Saturday of each month and lasts from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. At a cost of only \$30, students and parents are given valuable information on truancy laws and communication skills at an affordable price to help prevent future attendance problems. Class information may be obtained by calling (972) 578-2802.

Interesting Texas Fact



The Dallas / Fort Worth Metroplex has a greater population than 31 U.S. states!

Community Service Opportunity

In addition to serving Teen Court as a juror or attorney, Justice of the Peace **Paul Raleeh** is hosting a clean up day open to anyone who wants/needs to earn community service credit.

Students who participate will receive TEN hours of community service credit!



**Saturday, February 16th, 2008
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Meet at McKinney High School
1400 Wilson Creek, McKinney, Texas 75069
Call (972) 548-4654 for details and to RSVP