

PINELLAS COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE CITIZENS ACADEMY (JJCA)

Topics, presenters and locations are subject to change based on availability

Session 1 – WELCOME & OVERVIEW

Presenters: DJJ JPO/Trainer; JDAI Coordinator

- Welcome and program overview (basic orientation)
- Brief history of Juvenile Justice System
- Overview of case processing of a delinquency referral
- Brief overview of local government organization
- Brief overview of FL DJJ

SESSION 2 – PREVENTION PROGRAMS

Presenters: DJJ Prevention; CINS/FINS providers- Bethel Community Foundation; Thaise Educational Exposure; Family Resources.

- Overview of local prevention program efforts (DJJ and CIN/FINS)
- Hold session at a prevention program site with tour
- Hear from staff how program works

SESSION 3– PINELLAS JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER (PJAC)

Presenters: Operation PAR staff, DJJ Probation (PJAC screener); PCSO Diversion staff; Juvenile Arrest Avoidance Program (JAAP) staff; SPPD Second Chance Program staff.

- Overview of case intake and processing at PJAC
- Overview of JAAP/Diversion Program
- Hold session at PJAC with tour
- Hear from intake workers about case intake and processing at PJAC
- Hear from juvenile probation officers about case intake and processing at PJAC
- Hear from PCSO Diversion program about case intake and processing at PJAC

SESSION 4 – COURT

Presenters: Juvenile Judge, Public Defender, State Attorney, Court Behavioral Services

- Overview of delinquency judicial process (review from past session)
- Hold session at court house with tour
- Hear overview of programs offered through court. (Behavioral Evaluation, Truancy Court, Diversion, Drug Court, ETC.)
- Hear from Judge(s) about delinquency judicial process
- Hear from Public Defender about delinquency judicial process
- Hear from State Attorney about delinquency judicial process
- Tour of the court room and holding area for detained youth

SESSION 5 – PINELLAS JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER (JDC)

Presenters: DJJ Detention Staff; JDC Volunteer

- Overview of purpose of juvenile detention and JDC
- Hear from detention staff about working at detention center
- Hold session at JDC with tour

SESSION 6 – PINELLAS COUNTY JAIL

Presenters: PCSO Detention Staff and PCSO Youth Education and Services Division.

- Overview of how youth are transferred to adult jail (review from previous session)
- Overview of purpose of PCSO jail and handling of youth charged as adults.
- Hear from PCSO detention deputies staff about working at jail
- Hold session at Pinellas County Jail Facility with tour

SESSION 7 – JUVENILE PROBATIONS OFFICERS (JPO's)

Presenters: DJJ JPO's

- Overview of probation services
- Hold session at Wildwood Center
- Hear from JPO's about job responsibilities
- Hear from JPO's about services provided

SESSION 8 – DJJ COMMUNITY BASED INTERVENTIONS (non-residential)

Presenters: BAYS (JDAP) staff, Paxen staff, Home Builders Institute (HBI) staff

- Overview of community based intervention (non-residential)
- Hold session at a Community Based Provider site with tour
- Hear from Community Based Provider about job responsibilities
- Hear from Community Based Provider about services provided

SESSION 9 – DJJ RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

Presenters: Britt Academy staff, DJJ commitment coordinator, DJJ transition team staff

- Overview of residential programs (low, moderate, high risk) and process
- Hold session at a residential program with tour (Britt House)
- Hear from residential program staff about job responsibilities
- Hear from residential program staff about services provided
- Hear how transition from commitment program to the community is handled

SESSION 10 – GRADUATION

- Recognition of completion
- Connection with volunteer opportunities
- Alumni programming