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Youth calls to schedule appointment with attorney or attorney meets in-custody youth in detention.

Appearance ends.

Next court date is set.

Hold or release: Court may ask for parent or guardian input; decision is based on threat to community safety and risk of failure to appear for next court date.

Youth is appointed

an attorney.

AFTER COURT

If you have questions after your appearance,

Intake Probation staff can be contacted at:

(564) 397-4029 or (564) 397-4858

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**PREPARING FOR COURT**

**ATTENDING COURT IN PERSON**

* Arrive early or on time
* Cell phone off or on silent
* Food, drinks, and gum outside courtroom only
* Use quiet voice or whisper while waiting
* Talking or gesturing to youth in custody may result in their discipline

**When Your Case Is Called**

* Stand up straight and look up
* Speak clearly
* Talk to the Judge respectfully and call the judge “***Your Honor***”

**ATTENDING ONLINE OR BY PHONE**

* Make sure you are in a quiet space
* Make sure your device is fully charged, and you are connected early or on time
* Wear appropriate clothing

**Connecting Online Using the Zoom App:**

<https://clark-wa-gov.zoom.us>

**Telephone: 1-206-337-9723 or 888-788-0099**

**Meeting ID: 921 7523 8195**

**Password: 22919811**

* Do not speak or identify yourself when you enter; be prepared to say you are present when your case is called
* Keep your camera off and microphone muted until your case is called. ***Press*** ***\*6 to unmute your phone***
* Avoid using the speaker on your device. Consider using a headset/earphones with a microphone. Speak clearly
* Do not put your call on hold. Connections disrupting a hearing with the sound of hold music, or other interferences, will be ended and your hearing may be stricken.
* The remote link and phone number are also available online: [**https://clark.wa.gov/juvenile-court**](https://clark.wa.gov/juvenile-court)

Main line: (564) 397-2201 | Fax: (564) 397-6109

Detention: (564) 397-2450 | Fax: (564) 397-2246

Address: 500 W. 11th Street, Vancouver, WA 98660

Mail: P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666-5000

Web: [*www.clark.wa.gov/juvenile*](http://www.clark.wa.gov/juvenile)

**PARKING**

You can park on the street and

pay for hourly parking at the

Parking Kitty pay station.

Court may be 2 or more hours long.

Youth is released.

Appearance ends.

Youth referred to

Diversion.

Youth is called forward.

Parent or guardian accompanies youth.

Judge reviews Probable Cause documents.

*Not all cases follow the same path; these are the most common.*

Staff may be available outside the courtroom before your court hearing starts to answer questions and let you know what to expect.

**NOTICE**

Weapons: Guns, knives, and other weapon-like objects are prohibited in court. All persons entering the court are required to go through a metal detector. Food, gum, and beverages are not allowed in the courtroom. Turn off or silence cell phones.

**FIRST TIME IN COURT**

**CLARK COUNTY JUVENILE COURT**

Wait in the courtroom to be called.

**DETENTION**

**CLARK COUNTY JUVENILE COURT MISSION STATEMENT**

We will put our energy and resources into the future. Our focus will be on what needs to be healed, what needs to be repaid, and what needs to be learned.

**Diversity, equity, and inclusion are core values that drive decision-making, resource allocation, and creating all policies and practices at the Juvenile Court.**

**INTERPRETER SERVICES**

**Spanish: Servicios de intérprete disponibles**

**Chuukese: Kich Mi Awora Chon Aninis Me Chiakú**

**Russian: Доступны услуги переводчика**

**Ukrainian: Є послуги перекладача**

**Vietnamese: Dịch vụ thông dịch viên có sẵn**

Ask for interpreter services before your court hearing by calling **(564) 397-2201** or letting the staff know.

**Robert L. Harris Juvenile Justice Center**

500 W. 12thStreet, Vancouver, WA 98660

Mail: PO Box 5000 Vancouver, WA 98666

Web: [www.clark.wa.gov/juvenile-court/detention](http://www.clark.wa.gov/juvenile-court/detention)

(564) 397-2450 | Fax: (564) 397-2246

Kevin Memsic, Detention Manager (564) 397-5110

Sarah Hoak, Detention Supervisor (564) 397-4867

Jaclyn Mendiola, Detention Supervisor (564) 397-4831

Dr. Alyshia MacNab, Clinical Psychologist (360) 798-2793

**SENTENCED**

Community Service

Probation

Restitution

Fine

Alternative to Detention

Detention

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**GUILTY**

**ARRAIGNMENT**

Enter a plea of guilty or not guilty

**PLEA BARGAIN**

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**GUILTY PLEA**

ARRAIGNMENT

* Enter a plea of guilty or not guilty.

NOT GUILTY PLEA

* Trial date set

GUILTY PLEA

**IN-DETENTION YOUTH ARE PROVIDED**

* Three meals w/milk daily
* At least two snacks with milk daily
* Clean clothing, bedding, toiletries, hygiene, and daily showers
* Education, library, and recreation
* Mental health and medical care
* Free letter writing/mailing
* Incentives for good behavior
* Direct access to management for grievances
* Prison Rape Elimination Act - education and reporting process

**BASIC COURT PROCESS**

**FIRST APPEARANCE**

**BALANCED AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE**

**Accountability**

Crime hurts individuals and the community. Meaningful accountability for an offense includes everyone impacted.

Accountability involves the juvenile offender taking steps toward becoming a positive citizen.

**Community** **Safety**

Citizens have a right to live in a safe and healthy community.

Juvenile offenders in the community are carefully supervised by juvenile court staff.

**Competency Development**

Juvenile offenders should leave the justice system more capable of being positive, contributing members of the community.

The community, victims of crime, and juvenile offenders should benefit from their contact with the juvenile justice system.

**NOT GUILTY PLEA**

Trial date set

**STAYING IN TOUCH**

**VISITATION**

Schedule with Probation Counselor. If there is no Probation Counselor, call (564) 397-2450 and ask for the Lead Detention Officer.

Parents and legal guardians can visit **three times** weekly for 30 minutes, no later than 8:30pm. Bring ID to visit.

**Visits must be scheduled 24 hours in advance and are dependent on availability.**

**PHONE ACCESS**

Unlimited free calls to attorney

Seven free personal phone calls weekly (15 min calls)

Call time can be purchased by calling 1-866-516-0115 or at [www.gettingout.com](http://www.gettingout.com)

**TRIAL**

Evidence presented

Witnesses testify

Judge decides the verdict

**NOT GUILTY**

**RELIGIOUS BOOKS**

Parents may provide a soft bound religious book. Youth or parent may also request a copy from Detention management.

**MEDICATION**

Check our website for updated information about medication for youth in detention. www.clark.wa.gov/juvenile-court/detention