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Juvenile SHOCK Education is a Juvenile Diversion Program under the Administrative Office of the Courts



THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, TAMPA, FLORIDA

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SHOCK Education exposes teens to the consequences of criminal and irresponsible behavior. The emphasis is on real life consequences of risky behavior and poor choices.



Experts from community organizations address: drugs, violence, death, sexual development and family issues. Nine of the sessions are held in a courtroom and the

others are site visits. In the final session, the participants appear before a circuit court judge to present a verbal summary of what they have gained from the program.

# WHAT IS SHOCK?

SHOCK is a six-week program with twelve classes designed to expose juveniles to the SHOCKing side of criminal and irresponsible behavior.

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Juveniles between the ages of 12 and 18 years old.

#### WHEN ARE CLASSES?

Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 pm to 8 pm for a period of six weeks. Go to www.fljud13.org/jdp/SHOCK for a detailed schedule including start dates.

#### WHERE ARE CLASSES?

Classroom sessions are held at the Hillsborough County Courthouse Annex at 801 E. Twiggs Street, Courtroom 10. On-site tours are held at various locations such as at TGH, DACCO, Source Theater, Stowers Funeral Home and the Falkenburg Academy.



A father recounts the loss of his child.

## WHY IS SHOCK EFFECTIVE?

The gender specific groups allow open communication on personal and important topics. The groups visit places and hear from people they'd never meet otherwise.

### HOW TO ENROLL

Juveniles can be referred to the FREE program by Parents, Schools, Juvenile Court, Department of Juvenile Justice, The Juvenile Assessment Center, The Department of Children and Families or other Juvenile Diversion Programs.

To make a referral please go to www.fljud13. org/jdp/SHOCK and complete the online referral form or call Juvenile Diversion Programs at (813) 272-6779 for Maggie Pines, the Shock Education Coordinator.

# PARENTS / GUARDIANS

The first and last session require parents' attendance. Additional classes which provide information on effective parenting methods are held concurrently with the teen classes. The parenting classes are facilitated by a certified instructor. Parents are encouraged to attend all classes.



A SHOCK participant provides Judge Espinosa with his final summary.

"After my child attended SHOCK Education he told me that he doesn't want to end up in jail or even worse - dead. SHOCK Education not only taught him what will happen if he continues to makes the wrong decision but they showed him."

-Lisa, Mother of SHOCK Education Participant