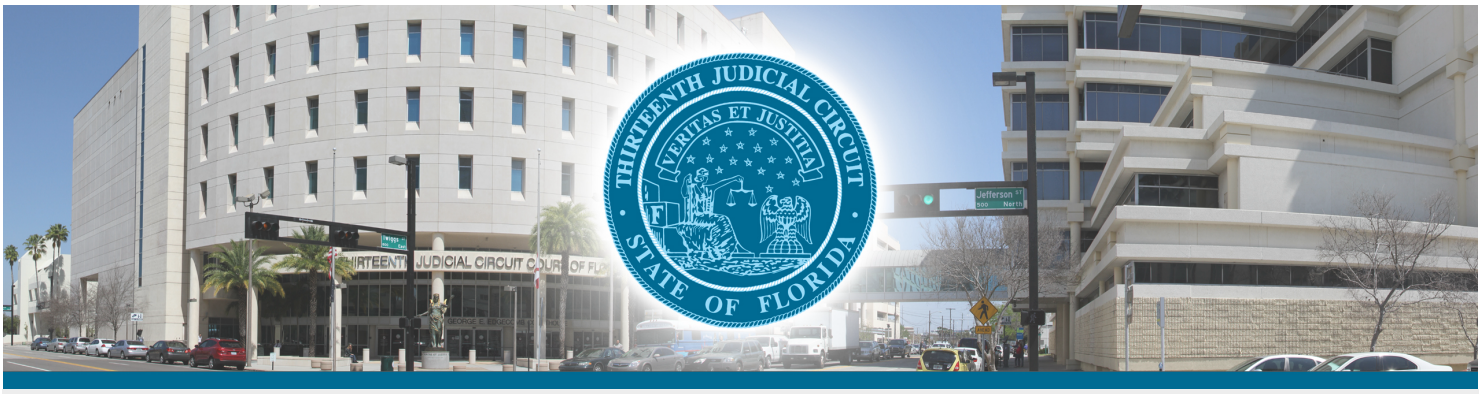


Juvenile Arrest Avoidance Program (JAAP)

A collaborative effort in the 13th Judicial Circuit administered by
The Administrative Office of the Courts – Juvenile Diversion Program

OVERVIEW

The Juvenile Arrest Avoidance Program is an alternative to arrest for first time offenders who commit a misdemeanor offense. All youth ages 8-17 with no prior involvement in the Juvenile Justice System are eligible. JAAP Civil Citations shall be issued for all misdemeanor offenses committed by first-time offenders. Please review the guardian and youth responsibilities and follow the related instructions. The Public Defender's Office may answer legal questions at one of the following numbers: (813) 277-1335 or (813) 307-4000.

GUARDIAN AND YOUTH RESPONSIBILITY

Non-Drug Offenses:

_____ The parent or guardian must contact the Juvenile Diversion Program at (813) 272-6766 ***within two business days*** to register and schedule a meeting date.

Drug Offenses:

_____ The parent or guardian must contact the Juvenile Diversion Program ***within two business days*** to register and schedule a meeting. ***A meeting must be held within three business days of the offense***.

1. The meeting will be held at the Juvenile Diversion Program (address below).
2. During this meeting, the youth will be interviewed to determine needs and a customized program will be established.
3. When the child completes all of the requirements, the child will have successfully completed the program. The child will have no record of arrest.
4. If the child does not complete the requirements, the case will be referred to the State Attorney's Office for prosecution consideration.

JUVENILE ARREST AVOIDANCE PROGRAM COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

Administrative Office of the Courts

Agency for Community Treatment Services

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office

Plant City Police Department

Public Defender's Office

State Attorney's Office

Tampa International Airport Police Department

Tampa Police Department

Temple Terrace Police Department

University of South Florida Police Department

JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM

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Officer/Deputy Name: _____ Agency: _____ Report Number: _____