

SANTA CLARA COUNTY FAMILY COURT TEEN ORIENTATION PROGRAM

WHAT: This 1-hour session will tell you about the Family Court custody process. You can ask questions but sorry...we can't talk about your family's case.

WHO: You, if you're **14 – 17 years old** and your parents have an open Family Court custody case.

HOW: 1st, your parents will get a referral for you from the court. 2nd, sign up by emailing your name, the date you want to attend and your parents' Superior Court Case number to teenorientation@scscourt.org. You will receive an email confirmation.

WHEN: All sessions will be on Friday afternoons. Your session date will be on your court referral.

WHERE: Superior Court, Santa Clara County, 191 North First Street (corner of Market and Julian Streets in downtown San Jose), Jury Assembly Room on the 1st floor.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

- You **must** arrive by 3:30 p.m.
- You will need to get to and from the program yourself. The Santa Clara County Light Rail (St. James stop) is very close to the courthouse. The courthouse will be locked at 5:00 p.m. so you'll need to be out before then.
- Your parents can drop you off and pick you up, but can NOT attend this session.
- When you come into the courthouse you must go through a metal detector. You and anything you bring to court will be searched. Drugs, alcohol, and weapons are not allowed in the building. These things will be taken away from you and you could be arrested or prosecuted for having them.
- You will give your name and your parents' names at the session so the court can make sure the Judge's referral was followed.
- You may be asked to complete a short anonymous questionnaire about the program, but the court will not ask for, or save, other information about you.