## DISCIPLINE GRID

### CLASS 1

(6-12 hours & 1 Jury Term )

Includes, but not limited to:
Defective lights/equipment violations
No seat belt/no helmet
Following too closely
No turn signal/improper turn
Speeding 1-10 mph over posted speed
Failure to maintain financial responsibility

### CLASS 2

(8-20 hours & 1 Jury Term)

Includes but not limited to:
Driver license restriction violations
Failure to yield right-of-way
Failure to stop at red light/stop sign
Unsafe lane change/unsafe speed
Speeding 11-20 mph over posted speed
Disregard traffic control device
Exhibition of Acceleration
Littering
Disorderly Conduct – Disruption of Class
Disorderly Conduct—Language

### CLASS 3

(10-25 hours & 1 Jury Term)

Includes but not limited to:
Speeding 21-25 mph over posted speed
Speeding – School zone 1-10 mph over
Failure to identify
Curfew Violation
Fail to Control Speed

### CLASS 4

(15-35 hours & 1 Jury Term)

Includes but not limited to:
Driving without a valid License
Speeding >26 mph over posted speed
Racing—contest for speed
Speeding – School zone < 11 mph over posted speed
Leaving scene of accident
Criminal Mischief
Theft
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
Assault
Minor in Possession of Tobacco
Minor in possession of Alcohol
Minor in consumption of Alcohol
Public Intoxication
Disorderly Conduct—Fighting

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to participate in Teen Court as a court official or as a defendant, call one of the following numbers for more information:

Judge Angela Williams
Williamson County Annex
350 Discovery Blvd. #204
Cedar Park, TX 78613
512-260-4210

Sharlene, Program Director
512-260-4247
sharlene.aiken@wilco.org

http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/JusticeCourts/JusticeofthePeacePct2/TeenCourt

**YMCA of Greater Williamson County**

204 E. Little Elm Trail
Cedar Park, Texas 78613

Phone: 512-250-9622
Fax: 512-615-7401
https://ymcagwc.org/locations/cedar-park/

United Way of Greater Williamson County

# Williamson County / YMCA Teen Court



**Williamson County**
**Cedar Park Annex**
**350 Discovery Blvd. #204**
**Cedar Park, TX 78613**
**Wilco.org**

## Purpose of Teen Court

Teen Court is a volunteer leadership program for teenagers between the ages of 13 –18. They will be taught how to perform as an attorney, bailiff, clerk and judge in real court cases, and will actually help determine the sentence of real cases involving teens filed in either Justice Court or Municipal Court. Individual cases are defended and prosecuted by teen attorneys; the verdict is rendered by a jury of teens.

Teen Court is a partnership between Judge Angela Williams, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2 and the YMCA of Greater Williamson County. The Court is also supported by many adult volunteers, such as, lawyers, judges, educators and parents and law enforcement personnel

Participation in the Teen Court program gives teens an opportunity to realize their roles in the community. It also instills a sense of pride and responsibility, and through the use of positive peer role modeling, helps create a better community for all. As a Teen Court youth volunteer, teens not only get the opportunity to practice law in the courtroom but learn valuable public speaking skills and become leaders among their peers and in their communities.

Teen Court is a voluntary program holding teenage defendants (between the ages of 10 and 16 who have received a Class C misdemeanor, plead guilty or no contest, have not been before Teen Court within the last two years, and have received permission from a judge and a parent to participate in the program) accountable for their offenses by allowing them to perform community service, serve Teen Court jury duty, and to attend educational programs in lieu of paying fines for Class C misdemeanors. Studies have shown that recidivism is less likely to occur in teenagers who participate in Teen Court.

## Procedures

The defendant, accompanied by at least one parent, checks in with the director by 6:20 p.m. on court date and completes all appropriate paper work.

**The Teen Court fee of $20 is due on the court date.** Methods of payment accepted are cash, money order or cashier's check (made payable to the ***Twin Lakes YMCA***).

The defendant goes before the Teen Court officials—jury, prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, bailiff, and court clerk, who are all teens. The Teen Court Director, parent volunteers, and Judge Angela Williams oversee the entire hearing.

When the jury reaches a decision, the defendant, along with parent(s) returns before the Court to hear sentencing. The defendant and parent(s) meet with the Teen Court Director to discuss terms set forth by the jury.

**NONCOMPLIANCE** with the Teen Court requirements or time frame will result in removal from the program and the fine set by the referring court will be due and payable**.**

## Conduct and Attire

The rules of the court apply to everyone. Participants are required to show respect for the court proceedings at all times. Defendants and participants are expected to be on time and to dress according to the courts standards.

**Acceptable Courtroom Attire:**
Suits, slacks, dresses and dress shirts, blue jeans if clean, pressed, & fitted.

**Unacceptable Courtroom Attire:**
Shorts, cut-offs, muscle shirts, spaghetti straps, clothing that is torn or ragged, or with offensive, vulgar, racist, sexist, or obscene depictions. Provocative clothing designed or styled to provoke emotion or exposes the chest, stomach, or thighs. Hats and flip flops.

***Teen Court reserves the right to remove anyone from the courtroom who does not comply with these rules of Conduct and Attire.**

# Williamson County Teen Court 2022/2023

Registration Application can be found at
http://www.wilco.org/Elected-Officials/Justice-Courts/Precinct-Two/Teen-Court
For more information contact:
Sharlene, Program Director
512-260-4247

**FALL SCHEDULE**

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| August 29, 2022 | Training |
| September 12, 2022 | Auditions/Training |
| September 19, 2022 | Court |
| October 10, 2022 | Training |
| October 17, 2022 | Training |
| November 7, 2022 | Auditions/Training |
| November 14, 2022 | Court |
| December 5, 2022 | Court |
| December 12, 2022 | Court |

**SPRING SCHEDULE**

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|---|---|
| January 23, 2023 | Auditions/Training |
| January 30, 2023 | Ice Storm ~~Court~~ |
| February 13, 2023 | Court |
| February 27, 2023 | Court |
| March 6, 2023 | Auditions/Training |
| March 27, 2023 | Court |
| April 10, 2023 | Court |
| April 17, 2023 | Auditions/Training |
| May 8, 2022 | Court |
| May 15, 2022 | Court/Awards |

*All court and training sessions are held on
**Mondays from 6:30-8:45 p.m.**
in the Williamson County Annex located in
Cedar Park—350 Discovery Blvd.
2nd Floor, Courtroom

