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## **Adult Volunteer (Advisor) Application Form** Date of Application: Name Address Home Phone Number Work Phone Number Place of Employment Position What are your interests/hobbies? How did you hear about/become interested in Youth Court? What qualities do you have that would make you a good Youth Court volunteer? What do you hope to gain from being in Youth Court? Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony? No Yes If so, what charge? Have you ever come in contact with or had any experience with any law enforcement agency or the court system? If so, please explain: In what capacity would you like to volunteer?

When are you available	to volunteer (days/hours)?				
When are you NOT ava	ilable to volunteer (days/hours/times of year):				
References (ple	ase do not list relatives)				
Name	Phone				
Address	Relationship to you				
Name	Phone				
	Relationship to				
Address	you				
Emergency Contact:					
Name					
Address					
Phone					
Relationship to you					
of my knowledge. My	ts set forth in the above application are true and complete to the best signature authorizes the Springville Youth Court to contact my a background and/or criminal records check.				
Signature	Date				
Social Security Number	:				
Date of Birth:					

## **Appendix D**



## SPRINGVILLE YOUTH COURT

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## **Adult SYC Volunteer Policies**

Thank you for volunteering for Springville Youth Court! As an SYC volunteer, you will assist youth volunteers in their preparation for hearings. Your duties may include: supervising during client interviews, answering questions from parents, helping the youth volunteers write opening and closing statements, supervising in pretrial public speaking practice, and facilitating a smooth transition between cases. As SYC is a completely peer led court, you will not be an active participant in the hearings. You are, however, welcome and encouraged to watch the hearings and see the volunteers in action. Please note you will hear sensitive information concerning the youth offenders that must remain confidential. The following policies are for your information. By volunteering with SYC you commit to follow these policies.

- 1. **Background checks**: You must have submitted a background check form.
- 2. **Respect**: Demonstrate acceptance and respect for all youth court volunteers and youth court respondents; do not demonstrate bias.
- 3. **Confidentiality**: Keep all information regarding respondents and all matters pertaining to court cases **absolutely confidential**.
- 4. **Professionalism**: Maintain a professional appearance while on volunteer service. Make sure that all conversation is appropriate for high school students and maintain a mentoring relationship with students.
- 5. **Time with youth**: Do not put yourself in one-on-one situations with youth outside a public space. The exception to this is when providing approved transportation as explained below.
- 6. **Transportation**: In general, you should not provide transportation to any youth. The exception for youth volunteers only, is as follows
  - a. If you have spoken personally or on the phone to the youth's parent or guardian and he/she has verbally indicated that it is okay for the youth to receive a ride. This process must be followed every time transportation is provided.
  - b. You must drive directly from training or court to or from the youth's residence and make no additional stops along the way.

**Mandatory Reporting**: According to UCA 62A-4a-403, any person who comes into contact with youth is a mandatory reporter. This means that if you have reasonable cause to believe a child, either a volunteer or respondent, is being abused, you are required to report such abuse or suspected abuse. An oral report shall be made immediately, but in no case later than 24 hours from the time there is reasonable cause to believe a child has been abused, by telephone or otherwise and followed by a report in writing, if requested, to a child welfare agency providing

protective services, as designated by the Department of Human Services, or, in the absence of such agency, to an appropriate police authority or district attorney.