

## How Teen Court Works

Teen Court is scheduled on Monday evenings each month at Marble Falls Municipal Courtroom and Granite Shoals Municipal Courtroom. After defendants meet with their defense attorneys, court begins, the defendant is introduced to the six teen jury panel, and the jury is informed of the charge against the defendant. After hearing the evidence presented by the teen attorneys, the jury decides what sentence the defendant must complete.

## What is Community Service?

In lieu of a fine, a Teen Court defendant must agree to perform Community Service (CS) hours as determined by the jury. CS hours must be performed at a non-profit organization in the community. The teen defendant will be given a log sheet on which all CS hours must be recorded.

In addition to CS hours, juries assign mandatory jury terms. One complete night of jury duty is considered one jury term. All jurors must stay for the entire court session.

Defendants have 90 days in which to complete these hours. The original log sheet must be returned to the court after all hours and jury terms are completed. Anyone failing to complete his or her obligation within the prescribed 90 days will be referred back to the originating court for sentencing. This may result in a conviction and payment of the original fine.

Successful completion of assigned CS hours and jury terms will result in dismissal of the citation.

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## When are Teen Court Sessions?

Training will be on Saturdays, all Teen Court sessions are held on Monday nights and the banquet will be held in the Spring.

## Teen Court Dates

Intro/Training  
Sept 15 & 22, 2025—MF

Oct 6 MF	Oct 20 GS
Nov 3 MF	Nov 17 GS
Dec 1 MF	Dec 15 GS
Jan 12 MF	Jan 26 GS
Feb 9 MF	Feb 23 GS
Mar 9 MF	Mar 23 GS

## Volunteer Appreciation Banquet Tentatively April 13, 2026

The **dates** for Teen Court are subject to change each month depending on case-load.

Teen Court sessions are held in the Courtrooms at: Marble Falls Municipal Court, 606 Avenue N, Marble Falls AND at Granite Shoals Municipal Court, 2221 N. Phillips Ranch Road, Granite Shoals on alternating Mondays.

Defendants and teen attorneys should be in the courtroom by 5:30 PM and jurors by 6 PM. Teen Court starts at 6:30 PM.



# 2025-2026

**Marble Falls Municipal Court  
Public Safety Building  
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Marble Falls, Texas 78654**

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**Granite Shoals Municipal Court  
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Granite Shoals, Texas 78654**

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## What is Teen Court?

Teen Court is a specially designed court that hears Class C misdemeanor cases for high school teenagers. The purpose and intent is to involve young people in taking responsibility for their actions, provide restitution to victims and the community and to attempt to reduce the number of repeat offenders through their education of the criminal justice system. This program challenges both offenders and non-offenders to perform at their best ability to become integral members in the community by promoting positive self-esteem, motivate self-improvement, and help individuals develop a healthy attitude toward authority.

All Teen Court sessions are open to the public. A parent or guardian **MUST** accompany the defendant to Teen Court on the night of their case.

## Who is eligible for Teen Court?

Any person who meets the following criteria may be eligible:

- ◆ Between the ages of 13 and 18
- ◆ Pleads guilty or no contest
- ◆ Has not been a defendant in Teen Court in the last year.
- ◆ Must remain a student in an accredited secondary school while completing terms.

## Offenses not Eligible for Teen Court

Each of the courts will have their prosecutor review cases that may need additional sanctions (other than State Mandated sanctions) and those cases will remain with their jurisdiction.

## How do I request my case be heard in Teen Court?

Go to the Municipal Court with jurisdiction and ask for an application to have your case heard and dismissed through Highland Lakes Teen Court.

If eligible, you will be given an application and related forms. **This paperwork, along with a \$20 non-refundable court fee, must be completed and returned to the court prior to your case being scheduled for court.**

## Is there a dress code for Teen Court?

YES! Teen Court is a legal court held in a regular courtroom. **ALL** participants, including public attendees in the courtroom, must observe the following:

- ◆ No shorts, skirts or dresses
- ◆ No jeans that are TORN, have HOLES or are dirty
- ◆ No hats or caps
- ◆ No tank tops or spaghetti straps
- ◆ No chewing gum
- ◆ **No** flip-flops
- ◆ No facial piercings
- ◆ No midriff showing (even with arms raised)
- ◆ No clothing containing messages that are vulgar, offensive, obscene, or displaying alcohol, tobacco or sex.
- ◆ Cell phones must be turned off.

**Teen Court reserves the right to refuse participation for anyone who does not meet these guidelines and breach of dress code may jeopardize your privilege to participate.**

## Penalty Ranges Examples Penalties consist of Community Service (CS) hours and jury terms (JT).

### ◆ Class 1: 6-16 CS + 1-2 JT

Curfew violations      Parking violations  
Expired Registration      Vehicle equipment

### ◆ Class 2: 12-24 CS + 1-3 JT

Disorderly conduct      \*Assaults  
Expired DL      DL restrictions  
Speeding 1-9 mph over limit  
Seat belt

### ◆ Class 3: 16-32 CS + 2-3 JT

Ran Stop Sign/Light      Fail to Yield  
Drove Center Lane      Cut across drive  
Fail to control speed      Following closely  
Speeding 10-19 over  
Speeding 1-9 over in school zone

### ◆ Class 4: 24-40 CS + 2-4 JT

No driver's license      No Insurance  
Handicap Parking      Cell phone/text  
\*Possession of E-cig/tobacco/vape  
Speeding 20-25 over  
Speeding 10-19 over in school zone

### ◆ Class 5: 20-50 CS + 3-4 JT

Theft      Criminal mischief  
\*Alcohol Charge      \*Drug Paraphernalia  
Reckless Driving      Fake ID  
Fail to Yield to Emergency Vehicle  
Leave Scene of Accident  
\*Speeding 26 or more over  
Speeding 20 or more over school zone

\* may require additional court sanctions assigned by the court