

Attachment to Application:

If applying as a Youth Commissioner candidate, please complete the following additional information:

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

Name of Principal: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of Counselor: _____ Phone Number: _____

School attendance hours: _____

Do you participate in any school activities requiring out-of-school hours? _____

If "yes," please describe: _____

I understand the time required to fully participate as a Youth Juvenile Justice Commissioner and will be available for full participation.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Qualifications for Membership - Please see below:

The Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission is mandated by State law and consists of fifteen sworn Commissioners appointed by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court. It is the duty of the Commission to inquire into the administration of Juvenile Court law as applied in Orange County. The Commission can hold public hearings and require testimony, as well as request subpoenas if necessary.

As part of these responsibilities, commissioners inspect all of the county-operated juvenile institutions holding youth in both the criminal and dependency systems; facilities such as Juvenile Hall, Probation program facilities, police and sheriff facilities; as well as Orangewood Children & Family Center and some group homes. Findings may be reported to the facility inspected, the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, Chief Probation Officer, State Department of Social Services, or other Juvenile Justice Commissions as appropriate to resolve any problems or to submit a plan of action.

Other duties of the Commission include, but are not limited to, receiving and reviewing more than 1,000 items of correspondence per year, and interviewing professionals within the system, department heads, community-based representatives, members of the public, and wards and dependents. The Commission conducts studies, investigations and reviews into matters pertaining to juvenile court law administration/systems. Commissioners participate with other County Juvenile Justice/Delinquency Prevention Commissioners providing training and exchange of information. The Commission also interfaces with the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC).

The Commissioners participate in several collateral functions, committees and advisory boards as contained in the published Annual Report. Annually, commissioners contribute more than 2,000 hours of donated services and several thousand miles of unreimbursed travel.

As required by law, the Commission conducts two public meetings per month, gathering information from agency heads, members of the public, and community-based representatives. The Commission typically meets the first and third Wednesday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Background Investigation:

A criminal record check will be required on all prospective commission candidates. By signing this application, the candidate acknowledges this requirement and authorizes this and any other investigation deemed necessary for the evaluation of suitability.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Send completed applications to: Administrative Officer
Orange County Juvenile Justice Commission
341 The City Drive
Orange, CA 92868