TELEPHONE CALLS

When authorized by Juvenile Institutions staff, youth may use the telephone system to make calls free of charge.

CORRESPONDENCE

Detained youth may write and receive mail. Postage is currently provided for outgoing mail. Parent(s) or guardian(s) may leave additional stamps with Juvenile Institutions' staff. All incoming mail is inspected for contraband, and if noted, the mail will be returned to the sender. Correspondence may be addressed as follows:

Youth's Full Name Stanislaus County Juvenile Hall 2215 Blue Gum Avenue Modesto, CA 95358

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Parent(s) or guardian(s) are responsible for any damages to the facility caused by their children. Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 730.7(a), a parent or guardian who has joint or sole legal and/or physical custody of the youth is presumed to be jointly and severally liable with the youth for restitution orders, fines, and penalty assessments, up to the limits of Civil Code sections 1714.1 and 1714.3, currently listed as \$25,000 for each wrongful act.

SERVICES

We provide a safe, secure, and clean-living environment for youth placed in our care. Probation Corrections Staff are committed to using trauma-informed approaches while working with youth in a respectful and responsive way. Collaboration with community-based service providers, volunteers, and education professionals; programs, services, and vocational training is delivered to facilitate successful reintegration with the community.

PHYSICAL CARE

Detained youth are provided clothing and bedding, nutritious meals, necessary personal hygiene items, recreational opportunities, and reading material.

All Juvenile Institutions' staff are peace officers. They are trained to carry Oleoresin Capsicum (pepper spray) and are permitted to use it when necessary within the facility. While detained in the Juvenile Institutions, your child will have certain rights. These rights include fair discipline and equal treatment, the ability to file a grievance on the handling of disciplinary sanctions, and reasonable protection from threats of harm or mistreatment.

SCHOOL

The Stanislaus County Office of Education provides a full-time, year-round school for all grade levels. All youth will attend school while detained.

INQUIRIES

If you have questions about your child's Juvenile Institutions status, medical inquiries, or to talk to your child's assigned Probation Officer, call (209) 525-5400.



Mark Ferriera
Chief Probation Officer

STANISLAUS COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT



JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Mission Statement

Providing public safety through accountability and opportunity.

Stanislaus County Probation is committed to maintaining an environment free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment of clients in its facilities. There is zero tolerance for anyone to engage in any form of sexual abuse or sexual harassment of a client. In this definition, "staff" includes contractors, vendors, and volunteers of the Stanislaus County Probation Department, as well as staff from other Federal, State, and local jurisdictions. A "client" is defined as someone confined to a detention or commitment facility.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF JUVENILE HALL?

The Juvenile Hall provides temporary, safe, and secure detention for youth who are alleged to have committed law violations and are awaiting Juvenile Court hearings or placement in foster care/group homes.

The Juvenile Hall is a maximum-security detention facility for youth who have committed offences. Youth arrested and not released by law enforcement agencies are delivered into the Probation Officer's custody at Juvenile Hall. Youth who are detained by Juvenile Court are kept in custody pending the completion of their court proceedings.

The Juvenile Commitment Facility houses youth who require a period of incarceration as part of their final disposition. While in Juvenile Hall or the Juvenile Commitment Facility, youth are provided with a healthy, safe environment that keeps them securely detained. Standards require a comprehensive program that includes education, recreation, counseling, health, and religious activities. All detained youth are provided with:

- Secure physical care
- Comprehensive school programs
- Assessment and medical/mental health services
- Spiritual counseling and religious services (Upon request)
- Clean clothing and personal hygiene items

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOUR CHILD IS PLACED IN JUVENILE HALL?

ADMITTANCE PROCESS

When a youth is arrested for a law violation and brought to Juvenile Hall, the arresting officer will attempt to contact the parent(s) by telephone to notify them of the arrest and their child's location.

If the officer is unable to contact the parent(s) or a responsible adult, Juvenile Hall staff will continue efforts to reach the parent(s) until contact is made. Initial contact with the parent(s) will include a general description of the circumstances of the arrest, where the youth is detained, and the approximate date of their first court appearance.

The Probation Department Intake Unit will contact the parent(s) again to provide exact information regarding the court hearings and conditions for their child's release from custody when that information is made available. All youth are allowed to make three phone calls within one hour of their admission to Juvenile Hall. Two telephone calls may be made to a parent/ guardian and employers, and the third may be made to an attorney.

LEGAL REPRESENTATION

All youth appearing in Juvenile Court will be represented by an attorney. The attorney is retained and paid for by the parent(s), or the Court may appoint representation. The court-appointed attorneys are from the Stanislaus County Public Defender's Office. All legal questions should be referred to the attorney. The Public Defender's office can be reached at (209) 525-4592.

MEDICAL

After a youth is booked, the parent(s) will be asked to sign a Medical Consent Form. This allows the health needs of the youth to be addressed while in custody. If your child has a medical issue, or takes prescription medicine, inform Juvenile Hall staff immediately.

NUTRITION SERVICES

The institution's kitchen team is dedicated to serving the youth a culturally diverse, healthy, nutritious, and appetizing menu compliant with the School Breakfast, Lunch, and snack program.

VISITING HOURS

Parent(s) may visit their child during regular visiting. The regular visiting schedule is as follows:

Thursday:

Check-in: 5:45 pm – 6:00 pm Visiting: 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm

Sunday:

Check-in: 12:15 pm – 12:30 pm Visiting: 12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

Unit 7 Visiting Schedule:

Thursday:

Check-in: 7:30 pm – 7:45 pm Visiting: 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Sunday:

Check-in: 10:30 am – 10:45 am Visiting: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Maximum Security youth requiring no contact visits: Arranged by appointment, by contacting Juvenile Hall.

- Visitors arriving after check-in will NOT be allowed to visit.
- A valid and current PHOTO ID is required and must be provided. Driver's licenses, passports, alien registration cards, visas, and Mexican Consulate registration forms are all acceptable.
- Only parents, guardians, or those authorized by the Court may visit. Other supportive adults may be authorized to visit.
- Children of youth are allowed to visit. It is required to schedule the visits in advance due to the limited space.
- No one will be allowed to wait in the Visiting Center lobby.
- Snacks may only be store-bought and may only be brought into the facility on visiting days during normal visiting hours. The snacks for your child will be combined with snacks brought in by other parents and will be available for all youth within the living unit who achieve enough points to attend evening programming.
- Write the youth's first initial and last name on all items brought into the facility.
- No glass will be allowed into the facility.