

DOUGLAS COUNTY
Juvenile Assessment Center
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Omaha, Nebraska 68105

Your initials and signature on this page means the Specialist has explained and you understand what happens at the Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC).

_____ Participation at the JAC and participation in Diversion is voluntary.

_____ The assessment at the JAC consists of two parts: a) the Diagnostic Predictive Scale (DPS)—a yes/no questionnaire about concerns in your life; and b) the Youth Level of Service (YLS) which is a personal interview.

_____ At its discretion, the JAC may also share information with other researchers. (ex. Demographic info, DPS, YLS, success rates, etc.) This shared information will not have any identifying information about you on it.

_____ The results of your assessment are used to determine if there is a program in the community to meet your needs.

_____ The results of your assessment will be shared with the County Attorney, who will make the final decision as to whether a diversion program will be offered or formal charges will be filed in Juvenile Court. If the County Attorney approves diversion, and you successfully complete, current charges will not be filed in Juvenile Court. If diversion is offered to you and you choose NOT to participate, your case will go back to the County Attorney for review.

_____ If you choose to participate in a diversion program, the County Attorney will be kept up-to-date on your progress.

_____ All information that is discussed with JAC employees regarding the pending criminal charges will not be used by the County Attorney to prosecute these particular charges.

_____ You have the right to your own attorney at any time.

_____ All information discussed regarding the pending criminal charges is used only for the purpose of helping to see if there is a program for you in the community. Information concerning your or others safety may be shared with your legal guardian.

_____ You have the right to file a grievance with the JAC at any time without fear of retaliation or closure of a case. A grievance form can be obtained from the JAC receptionist or it is available on-line at <http://www.douglascounty-ne.gov/jaccms/forms-and-documents>

Date: _____

Signature of Juvenile

Signature of Parent/Guardian