

Hello Youth Court Advocates,

Some, but not all, of you are aware that the NAYC has been hard at work updating our website and expanding our visibility through social networking, various state association trainings, roundtables, and by assisting with the development of new programs across the U.S. Since our formation in 2007, our goal has been to assist any and all interested parties with information about how to begin, implement and sustain a Youth Court. Please find out about NAYC happenings below:

- Drawing on the vast experience of NAYC members, Judge Richard Couzens has set up a group of volunteer speakers from our organization who are at the ready to assist in answering questions related to your program. With over 170 years of experience developing and/or managing these vital youth programs, these NAYC leaders are anxious to help you with any concerns or challenges you face. Please review the list of experienced people at YouthCourt.net and call any one of them at your convenience.
- We are very excited to have expanded our visibility through Twitter, Instagram and the improved website. You are encouraged, whether a member or not, to share all the exciting activities your court is conducting. Each of us can learn and benefit from all the news about the good work our students and staff are providing in their communities. Share your event information with Mikki Cichocki Mikki.Cichocki@sbcusd.k12.ca.us Mikki is a great example of someone who sought us out, jumped in, and has facilitated the improvement of our communication!
- The most important thing at hand is updating and/or adding your contact information to our Directory. *If your membership status has expired we hope you will renew your membership and continue your participation. Our dues are very reasonable and enable you to participate as a Trustee, Officer or Committee Chairperson. If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact Chairperson Marlene Todd marlene@lmctencourt.com.
- You are invited to join our monthly conference calls the 4th Thursday of the month at 11 a.m. Alaska, noon Pacific, 2 p.m. Central and 3 p.m. East Coast time. Your voice and ideas are important to our success! NAYC continues to be a relevant voice in youth advocacy issues but also continually provides help to communities starting programs or struggling to maintain their services.

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Together we can continue to spread the word about our important work that motivates young people, families, schools and communities to become actively engaged in the resolution of juvenile crime and that introduces young people to law related education, public speaking, career opportunities, civic responsibility, and community service work.

Thank you all for your help, love and support of NAYC.

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