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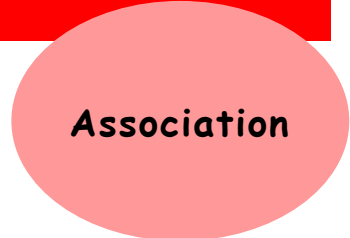
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## Mission of Wisconsin Teen Court Association

To support the statewide Teen Court efforts and to promote positive youth development with peer pressure for long term behavioral changes in youth.



## WTCA

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# Wisconsin Teen Court Association Purpose

To assist the development, promotion, improvement, and growth of Teen Courts in Wisconsin through:

- Developing lines of communication between local Teen Court efforts.
- Providing training and education for Teen Court participants.
- Promoting standards for Teen Court programs.
- Providing a network for exchanging ideas and methodology for Teen Court activities.
- Providing technical assistance for initiating new Teen Courts in Wisconsin.



## What is Teen Court?



Offers eligible youth an opportunity to receive a meaningful sanction from a jury of their peers. This experience provides youth an alternative to appearing in juvenile court, just paying a fine and/or having a criminal record.

## QUOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS

### Why do you think Teen Court works?

"I'm hoping that a jury of their peers are going to tell them, 'You're not impressing us with this behavior' and show them that this crime has a negative impact on their peers and the community"  
Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge Bruce Schmidt

"It put me on the right path. I didn't want to be a bad guy. It's more fun when people trust you." C.G., Teen Court Youth, age 14.

"It caused my daughter to select a new group of friends to socialize with, had she only had to pay a fine she would not have thought twice about who she hangs out with and the wrong choices she was making while with them."  
V.C Teen Court Offender Parent

## Wisconsin Teen Court Membership Benefits

- Youth volunteers can apply for a chance at winning one of two scholarships offered for graduating seniors. See scholarship information for complete details.
- Discounted registration fees for all WTCA sponsored events
- Professional development opportunities useful for teen court programs
- Resource and networking opportunities with colleagues from across the state and nation

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