

Juvenile Delinquency

Who	The minor, parents, legal guardian(s), or attorney(s) of record may view and obtain copies of court minute orders and selected court documents.
...has access to records and files	Juvenile Justice agencies may inspect the juvenile records without filing a petition for access and without obtaining a further court order. All other individuals must petition the court for access pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 827 (W&I). The public may inspect records for Juvenile Petitions sustained for offenses listed in W&I 676 (a). The public may inspect records for juveniles charged as adults, subject to the rules and policies related to adult criminal case records.
...has access to court hearings	Unless requested by the minor, parent or legal guardian, the public shall not be admitted to a juvenile court hearing. The minor, parents, legal guardian(s), attorneys of record, juvenile justice agencies, and court personnel may attend court proceedings. Any others may attend at discretion of the bench officer presiding over the case. The public shall be admitted to hearings for juveniles charged as adults or charged with offenses listed in W&I 676 (a). Print and broadcast media representatives may attend those proceedings without prior permission of the court, if seating is available in the courtroom. In order to obtain seating in the courtroom, a <i>Request to Attend Juvenile Court Proceedings</i> must be filed at the reception desk. However, without a court order, no cameras or recording equipment shall be permitted in the courtroom.



What

...records and information are available

Court minute orders and selected court documents are available to the minor, parents, legal guardian(s), or attorney(s) of record. These individuals have the right to inspect, view and obtain copies of such records.

Records in the possession of juvenile justice agencies are also available for inspection by the minor, parents, legal guardian(s), or attorney(s) of record. Juvenile justice agencies may request to inspect such records by delivering the declaration to the custodian of records of the juvenile justice agency possessing such records, either in person or by letter.

All other individuals must petition the court for access pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code 827.

The charging petition, the minutes of the proceeding, and the orders of adjudication and disposition of the court that are contained in the court file shall be available for public inspection when a Juvenile petition is sustained for any offense listed in W&I 676 (a).

Records and court files for the adult charges are open for public inspection and governed by the rules and policies related to adult criminal case records when a juvenile is being charged as an adult.

...hearings are open to the public

Unless ordered closed by the court, members of the public shall be admitted, on the same basis as they may be admitted to trials in a court of criminal jurisdiction, to hearings concerning petitions alleging offenses listed in W&I 676 (a).

Hearings for juveniles charged as adults are open to the public after filing a Request to Attend Juvenile Court Proceedings is filed at the reception window.

All other Juvenile Delinquency court hearings are confidential and closed to the public. Those not authorized to attend may seek permission to attend court by filing a written request directly with the bench officer presiding over the case.



When	The Juvenile Delinquency reception counter is located on the first floor of the Juvenile Courthouse at 9605 Kiefer Boulevard, Sacramento, California. The hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Limited copying service is provided at no charge.
...are records and information available	Records are placed into the court files usually within 5 days of filing unless the documents will be utilized at a court hearing. In those instances, the information and records are available within 5 days of the court appearance.
...are cases heard in court.	Juvenile Delinquency has calendared matters Monday though Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
	Court department information is available on the Court's Website at: http://www.saccourt.ca.gov/juvenile/delinquency/general.aspx
	Due to the confidentiality of Juvenile cases, court staff cannot provide information regarding specific calendared matters.
Where	If authorized by statute or ordered by the court, court records are accessible by appearing at the appropriate reception counter at the Juvenile Courthouse at 9605 Kiefer Blvd, first floor with photo identification. The records will not be mailed and are not available on the Internet.
...can records or information be viewed	The hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Limited copying service is provided at no charge.
	Records in the possession of juvenile justice agencies are located at each juvenile justice agency.
...are court hearings held	Court hearings in Juvenile Delinquency are heard in Departments 90, 91, 92, 93 and 97 at the Juvenile Courthouse at 9605 Kiefer Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95827.



How

....can records and information be obtained

Requests to view records/information for Delinquency cases may be made in person at the Juvenile Delinquency Courthouse at 9605 Kiefer Blvd., Sacramento.

The [Petition For Disclosure of Juvenile Court Records Welfare and Institutions pursuant to Code 827 \(JV-570\)](#) is available at the front counter or by visiting our website at www.saccourt.ca.gov/juvenile/records.

This completed form may be presented either in person or by mail but must contain an original signature. If the petition is granted, viewing and/or receipt of copies may only occur by appearing in person with proper photo identification. The records will not be mailed.

Copies of records in the possession of a juvenile justice agency may only be received by an authorized individual appearing in person at the juvenile justice agency that is releasing the records.

....can requests to attend court hearings be done.

Those not authorized to attend Juvenile Delinquency hearings may seek permission to attend court by filing a written request directly with the bench officer presiding over the case.

The form *Request to Attend Juvenile Court Proceedings* is used for all requests including those where a juvenile is charged with offenses listed in W&I 676 (a) and when a juvenile is charged as an adult. The latter two must be filed at the reception window.

The form is available at the reception window and on the court's website at <http://www.saccourt.ca.gov/juvenile/docs/attachment-b-request.pdf> .

Absent extraordinary circumstances, requests to attend court proceedings must be filed by (a) 10:00 a.m. the day of the hearing for cases that are calendared for the afternoon session; or (b) 4:00 p.m. the business day before the hearing for cases that are calendared for the morning session.

