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Juvenile Justice Procedures Student Note Taking Guide

PART 1: Introduction to the Juvenile Justice System

Describe the history of juvenile justice in the United States.

Define "juvenile court" and the role of the Juvenile Judge or commissioner in juvenile court matters.

List the role and responsibilities of the juvenile officer or deputy juvenile officer, including their ability to make arrests.

List 3 juvenile terms and their related adult terms.

Define the term "child" per the Missouri statutes.

Explain what is meant by venue in juvenile/family court cases.

PART 2: Role of Law Enforcement

What do the statutes indicate regarding law enforcement officers assisting and cooperating with juvenile officers?

The two types of judicial custody are:

Identify the circumstances and situations when a juvenile may be taken into judicial custody, if it is this an arrest, and when the jurisdiction of the court attaches.

Identify the process for the execution of a capias, as used in judicial custody situations.

Identify who is to be notified when a juvenile is taken into judicial custody?

Identify the procedure for notification of the Juvenile Officer when the juvenile is or is not released.

What conditions must exist for a juvenile to be released from custody?

Can a juvenile be detained in a jail or other adult detention facility?

Describe the procedure when a juvenile is presented to the juvenile officer or detention facility.

At what point is an arrested child is to be taken before the juvenile court?

Can a juvenile who has not been certified be fingerprinted and/or photographed without a court order? **Yes/No**

What rights is a child to be given after being taken into custody and prior to questioning?

Who is to give the child his/her rights? _____

List who may interview or interrogate a juvenile. _____

What procedures are to be followed in order to conduct a physical line-up, polygraph test or breathalyzer test with a juvenile?

What happens if a juvenile misrepresents his age to law enforcement officials?

How must juvenile records be kept by law enforcement officials? _____

What discrepancies currently exist in Missouri law regarding traffic violations?

What is the law regarding detention of youth for state traffic or ordinances?

What is in the statutes about jurisdiction over a youth possessing or using a tobacco product?

What happens if a child is still under the jurisdiction of the family/juvenile court but is older than 17 and commits a new law violation, and where he/she goes to court?

PART 3: Federal Requirements

What are the handling procedures for law enforcement officers when taking juveniles believed to be status offenders or law violators into custody per federal regulations?

The four core federal requirements regarding the detention of juveniles by law enforcement officers are:

Two important the things to remember per federal regulations regarding the custody of status and delinquent offenders are:

PART 4: Missouri's Juvenile Code

Are there any circumstances when juvenile records can be released including for sentencing purposes in the pre-sentence report, and if so, to whom?

Is the general public ever allowed in the Juvenile Court room? **Yes/No**

When may the court require participation by a parent or guardian and when may they be ordered to pay when a child is committed for institutionalization?

Can certain prior juvenile offenses be used to impeach the credibility of a witness or the defendant in a criminal case? **Yes/No**

At what age, for what type of crime and by whose authority can a juvenile be certified to the adult court; and when must the court hold a certification hearing?

What are 3 elements of the report prepared for a certification hearing?

What is the procedure regarding previously certified juveniles with regard to a new violation of State law or municipal ordinance while they are under the age of 17?

What is the role of the Prosecuting Attorney regarding juveniles alleged to have violated the law?

What is meant by the dual jurisdiction option?

What powers of arrest do juvenile officers have?

List the requirements regarding the registration of juvenile sex offenders and where the records are to be maintained.

Can a juvenile receive the death penalty if he/she is certified? **Yes/No**

Describe the implications of the "Safe Schools Act" for Law Enforcement officers.

Must a parent ensure that their child goes to school? **Yes/No**

Is corporal punishment permitted in Missouri schools? **Yes/No**

Describe the difference between formal and informal supervision.

If a youth from another state is apprehended in Missouri do we treat him as a "juvenile" according to our laws or his state laws? _____

Can a juvenile in Missouri go on bond from a juvenile detention center? **Yes/No**

Are all law enforcement agencies required to maintain a confidential record of the date and time a child is taken into custody for any reason and the date and time such child is released from custody? If so, what is the age requirement for this to apply?

Under the proper circumstances, who may take or retain temporary protective custody of the child without the consent of the child's parents, guardian or others legally responsible for his care? _____
