

Probation Information

Programming/Services

- Financial partnership;
 - The court may order your youth, with your support, to participate in services or counseling, which may require you to pay expenses. Probation may assist you in payment of services, including reviewing your access to private insurance and/or Medicaid.
 - If you meet the requirements, Probation may assist you in applying for Medicaid.

Victim Contact and Restitution

- If there is a victim in your youth's case:
 - The victim will be contacted to provide information for the Key Life Area Report.
 - If the victim requests to be paid for any losses then the Court will gather information before deciding if you and your youth will be ordered to pay for these losses.

- As required by state law, Probation may have ongoing victim contact during your youth's probation.



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Case Closure

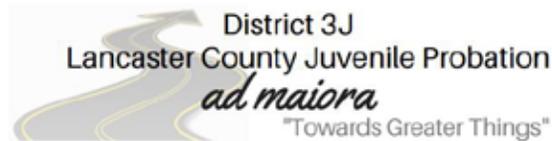
- If your youth successfully completes probation, their court case will automatically be sealed.
- If your youth is unable to successfully complete probation, there is still an opportunity for their court case to be sealed.
 - This website will provide you more information:
<https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/self-help/court-records/filing-motion-seal-juvenile-criminal-record>

Resources

- What Now? - Juvenile Justice Guide



- Search for MyLNK App in the app stores or <https://mylnk.app/home>



District 3 Lancaster County Juvenile Probation

Towards Greater Things



Working with
Families
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As a family-centered juvenile justice system we believe in working with families and that:

- You know your youth best and your involvement will be key to your youth's success.
- You will be treated with dignity and respect.
- Your family's knowledge, values, beliefs and culture will be included in the planning into your youth's probation.
- You will receive timely, complete, and accurate information in order to effectively participate in decisions.
- You are an important and powerful participant in your youth's probation.
- With your support, the probation staff will develop and implement services that are designed for your youth's benefit.
- We recognize that all families have strengths that are unique to their family's journey.
- Our goal is to partner with you as a family. We value and appreciate you as the single greatest influence in your youth's life. You can bring about positive change for both your family and the whole community. We encourage you to communicate openly and regularly with probation staff because we share a common goal of success for youth. Together we can develop plans and goals to enable you and your youth to have the best possible probation outcome.



Family Bill of Rights

As a family;

- You have the right to be a vocal and active advocate on behalf of your youth.
- You have the right to be an active participant when decisions are made about your youth.
- You have the right to meaningful participation in your youth's treatment, including medical treatment, behavioral health treatment, and education.
- You have the right to meaningful participation in your youth's probation and services, to include behavioral health treatment.
- You have the right to meaningful participation in your youth's transition-planning — from intake through release and eventual discharge.



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Investigation/Social History Report

- Before the court makes its final decision about the outcome of your youth's case they have asked us to gather information to share with them to inform their decision. The meeting when we gather this information is called the "pre-disposition investigation."
 - During this appointment, you and your youth will meet with a probation officer. The meeting will include an interview and completion of assessments. The appointment will last approximately two to three hours, with time spent with the family/family members and youth discussing areas of life such as:
 - Family relationships
 - Your youth's friends
 - Drug and alcohol use
 - Your youth's coping and self-control skills
 - Your youth's thoughts and beliefs
 - Free time
 - School information
 - We will compile this information into a social history report. When making the decision about the outcome for your youth's case the court will use the information that you have shared during this interview.

Probation Supervision

- The job of your youth's probation officer is to help you and your youth build a plan of success.
- Our plans will focus on skill building that will increase your youth's opportunity of successful completion of probation.
- As we partner with your family, we support your youth's completion of court-ordered conditions, report the progress to the court and early release from probation may be possible.