**POST-DISPOSITIONAL PROGRAM
INFORMATION PACKET
FOR THE**

**New River Valley Juvenile**

**Detention Home**

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**New River Valley Post-dispositional Program**

Welcome to the Post-dispositional (P.D.) Program. Being ordered to participate in this program you have been given one last chance by the courts. The P.D. Program is set up to assist you in a successful return to your community. The purpose of the program is intended to help you work your way back into the community while serving your adjudged sentence. The P.D. Program is considered a privilege and an excellent opportunity to develop your interpersonal skills, further your education, and learn independent living skills. The P.D. Program will assist you by providing services for issues that relate to your placement here.

All detainees enter the P.D. Program under a suspended commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice. Non-compliance with the P.D. Program can result in an automatic commitment. All P.D. Program detainees will have a sentence of up to six months. If the identified goals are accomplished prior to the end of your sentence and there are no problems, an early release can be recommended to the court.

This initial information highlights the requirements, responsibilities, and expectations of the detainee placed in the P.D. Program and of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s). It also summarizes the P.D. Program visitation policies, behavior management policies, and specific rules of P.D. More detailed information is provided in the Service Plan once it is developed, through contact with the P.D. Coordinator, and by the detention home staff on a daily basis, as necessary.

# **Brief explanation of activities**

Counseling: All program participants will receive individual counseling sessions. The counseling provided will be directed towards your service plan and specific reasons for being sentenced. If continued counseling is needed the appropriate referrals will be made. You are required to participate in all counseling sessions set up for you.

Education: All program participants will be required to participate in some type of educational program, regardless of age or school status, for the duration of the school schedule used by the detention home. Your specific educational plan will be developed in your Service Plan.

Recreation: P.D. participants, who are eligible to go into the community, may be provided with outside recreation. (These activities may be optional) You are to present yourself and the program in a respectable manner within the community. During activities you will be expected to respect the rights and property of others as well as obey all guidelines set for you.

# **P.D. Program Detainees**

You are expected to learn and comply with P.D. Program rules. The rules will be reviewed with you during your intake, during your service plan meeting and as often as necessary. You are expected at all times to display behaviors that will aid in the achievement of your plan goals.

Your initial objectives and strategies for the first 30 days will be planned and reviewed within five days of entering the program. The first month of your placement will be focused on detention home rules, educational needs, counseling needs, and program opportunities.

Your Service Plan will be developed within 30 days of your posted date. Your parent(s) / legal guardian(s), probation officer, P.D. Coordinator, and any other involved service provider will have the opportunity to provide input for the Service Plan.

Expectations:

1. You are expected to obey all rules set forth by the court, detention home, and P.D. Program.

2. If you are out of the building you will be expected to behave without incident and return to the detention home at the designated time.

3. You will be required to participate in some type of educational program for the duration of the school schedule used by the detention home.

4. You may be required to participate in community service.

5. You are not to consume, sell, purchase, or have in your possession any type of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products. Any infraction will not be tolerated.

Supervision:

You are to be in the sight and sound of the person(s) responsible for you while you are out of the building no matter the reason. If you leave supervision disciplinary action will be taken.

**Parents of P.D. Detainee**

You will be provided with an opportunity to ask questions and provide input for your child’s Service Plan. Please feel free to ask questions and provide input on your child’s progress especially prior to his/her court reviews.

Your participation is required for all scheduled counseling sessions, treatment plan reviews, monthly court reviews, and emergency meetings. We must be able to reach you for emergencies at all times.

While your child is in the P.D. Program, you remain responsible for their dental, mental health, and medical needs. Your parental responsibilities also include scheduling and paying for all medical, mental health, and dental services. When necessary, the detention home can assist with your child’s transportation. In case of a medical emergency, you will be contacted and informed where your child is being transported. The detention home nurse will handle all routine medical needs.

**Successful Completion**

To successfully complete the G.O.A.L.S. Program you must:

* Complete individual goals as listed in your Service Plan.
* Reach and maintain level 4.
* Complete and maintain step 12 in Moral Reconation Therapy.
* Complete G.O.A.L.S. Units.
* Complete Mental Health goals as developed with the mental health staff.
* Successful family counseling and home visits.

**New River Valley Juvenile Detention Home**

**Visitation Guidelines for Parents and Legal Guardians**

**PRIOR TO VISITATION:** All visitors must present photo identification and register upon entering the facility for visitation or they will be denied visitation. Staff must verify the relationship and identity of the parent/guardian seeking visitation. Visitors are required to leave all personal items in their cars. No personal items may be brought into the detention home beyond the front lobby. NO INTOXICATED PARENT OR GUARDIAN WILL BE ALLOWED TO VISIT A DETAINEE. Visitors who have an odor of tobacco products or alcohol on their person may be asked to leave the grounds.

**VISITATION HOURS:** Normal visitation is Wednesdays from 6-7 pm and Sundays 1-2 pm. Visitor check-in will begin 15 minutes before visitation starts. Check-in will end 15 minutes after visitation begins arrivals after this point will not be accepted. Parents or legal guardians who cannot visit during normal visitation hours due to justifiable reasons must make special arrangements with NRVJDH for a supervised visit. This visit must be pre-approved by the NRVJDH and scheduled at a time when staff can directly supervise the visit. Visits are limited to one hour. For a detainee in restriction, visits are limited to thirty (30) minutes. There may be occasions when visitation times need to be shortened. This decision will be made by the Administrator on duty.

**WHO MAY VISIT:** Only parents or legal guardians are allowed to visit. If the placing agency/jurisdiction feels a visit from a detainee’s grandparents is in the best interest of the detainee, a written request to allow the above-mentioned individuals must be sent to the NRVJDH. It is imperative that the written request be received and approved by the Superintendent prior to these visitors coming to the detention home. Individuals other than parents or legal guardians who seek to visit must obtain approval from the placing agency/jurisdiction. Once granted, the placing agency/jurisdiction must accompany the individuals and supervise the visit. These visits shall not be conducted during normal visitation hours but shall be scheduled in advance with the NRVJDH. If a visitor is not listed in the detainee’s folder, valid identification and proof of guardianship must be provided or they will be denied visitation until verification can be obtained from the placing agency/jurisdiction. A detainee has the right to refuse any visitor.

**WHERE VISITATION TAKES PLACE:** Normal visitations will take place in the activity area. Only two (2) visitors at any time shall be allowed to visit with a detainee during visitation. If a detainee has more than two (2) visitors, the time shall be divided equally among the approved visitors and each group shall have equal access to the detainee

**CLOTHING AND PERSONAL HYGIENE:** Arrangements for exchanging clothing must be made either prior to the start of or at the end of visitation. No clothing will be exchange during visitation. All clothing must be given to the Administrator on Duty, who will go through these items, list them in the detainee’s personal folder, have the parents or legal guardians initial for the items, and have the detainee sign for items. No personal hygiene products will be accepted by the NRVJDH for any detainee. The NRVJDH shall supply all such products.

**READING MATERIAL:** Reading materials such as books and magazines may be brought to a detainee. It is not policy for the content of the reading materials to be screened, but only PG magazines, approved by the Administrator on Duty, will be accepted by the NRVJDH. All reading material shall be searched for contraband. The NRVJDH accepts no responsibility for any reading material taken into the general population by a detainee.

**FOOD ITEMS:** Food items will not be accepted.

**BEHAVIOR DURING VISITATION:** Complete cooperation with detention center staff is expected during visitation times. Parents and detainees are expected to act appropriately during visitation. Any negative behavior on either party’s part may result in the cancellation of the remainder of the visit. Physical contact shall be limited to hugs and handshakes. Nothing is to be given to or accepted from the detainee without the administrator's approval. The passing of contraband items will revoke visitation privileges and court authorities will be notified of these actions. Staff may search detainees after visitation if they suspect that contraband may have been passed. The Administrator on Duty may revoke visitation privileges if the rules are violated, and such revocation is in the best interest of the detainee.

**NRVJDH RULES**

**Automatic Room Restrictions:**

1. There are a few specific behaviors that must result in immediate room restrictions. These behaviors and the resulting predetermined length of room restriction time are as follows:
2. Escapes, attempted escapes, escape threats or being caught planning an escape: Length of time: Five (5) days.
3. Attacking staff or any guest of the Detention Home (volunteers, etc.): Length of time: Five (5) days.
4. Detainee engaged in detainee-on-staff (staff did not consent), detainee-on-detainee sexual abuse, or any other detainee-on-detainee sexual contact: Length of time: Five (5) days. A list of sexual abuse terms and definitions can be found at the end of POP 1.12. Detainee-on-detainee sexually activity is prohibited, but is not considered sexual abuse if that the activity is not coerced (consensual).
5. Fighting between detainees: Anyone actually physically fighting will be given room restriction regardless of who started the fight. Length of time: 1st offense – Two (2) days. Add one day for each reoccurrence, regardless when it happened (previous detainment, etc.).
6. Maliciously destroying property: Anything damaged on purpose, regardless of its monetary value, is to be considered maliciously destroying property. Length of time: Two (2) days.
7. Contraband: Sneaking in or receiving contraband while in detention. Length of time: Potentially dangerous items such as drugs, alcohol, weapons etc. Length of time: Three (3) days. Non-dangerous items such as letters, food, pictures, etc. Length of time: One (1) day.
8. Any disruptive or misbehavior between bedtime and wake-up time. Length of time: One (1) day.
9. Disrespect towards staff, teachers, counselors, volunteers, etc. Length of time: One (1) day.
10. Any detainee that has to be physically restrained by staff will receive one full day of extra restriction time in addition to the prescribed time. The total length of the room restriction will depend on the behavior violation and how the child behaves during the said restriction.

**Minor Negative Behavior:**

1. Minor negative behaviors are the less serious violations of Detention Home rules. They include, but are not limited to the following:
2. Excessive verbal or physical horseplay.
3. Refusing to participate in a scheduled activity without a valid excuse.
4. Excessive or unnecessary use of profanity.
5. Obscene gestures.
6. Excessive noise
7. Other offenses not mentioned but deemed to be minor negative behaviors by the detention home staff.

*A minor negative behavior may be elevated to an automatic room restriction depending on the circumstance (ex. Disrupting class, cussing during a church group, cussing staff, etc.)*

1. In dealing with minor negative behaviors, the following are means of disciplinary action:
2. Cool down period (*before* a child displays inappropriate behavior)
3. Verbal warning
4. Loss of privilege (failure to earn a point)
5. Room restriction

1. Room restriction shall be a last resort when dealing with minor negative behavior. Length of time: Up to a period of one (1) day, depending on the offense. The Shift Supervisor (or designee) shall make this determination with input from the staff involved.

## **Level System:**

1. The NRVJDH’s level system consists of four (4) levels.

1. Detainees that have lost all of their levels (Level 0) are not eligible for any “extra” privileges. During indoor game time, these detainees are eligible to play cards or read.
2. Detainees on Level 1 are eligible to make a weekend phone call to a parent or legal guardian. During indoor game time, these detainees are eligible to play cards or read.
3. Detainees on Level 2 are eligible to make a weekend call, a professional call (Friday), and an additional call to a parent or legal guardian (Tues). During indoor game time, these detainees are eligible to play cards, board games, read, and to do puzzles.
4. Detainees reaching Level 3 are eligible to write one unrestricted letter per letter writing period (provided the addressee is not incarcerated or a former detainee of the NRVJDH). Level 3 detainees may keep up to three personal letters and three personal photos in their rooms. During indoor game time, these detainees are eligible to play foosball and Ping-Pong in addition to reading, cards, board games, and puzzles.
5. Detainees reaching Level 4 will be eligible to make one unrestricted phone call on the weekend in addition to their parental call. During indoor game time, these detainees are eligible to play video games in addition to foosball, Ping-Pong, reading, cards, board games, and puzzles.
6. All detainees will be eligible to advance a level on Friday night @ 2100 hours **after** they have been in the building or been out of room restriction for **a full week.** *Example: If a detainee arrives in detention or gets out of restriction on Monday, they are not eligible to advance until the following Friday (a total of twelve days).*
7. A detainee will lose one level for each full time block they are restricted. *A partial time block will be rounded down to the total number of full time blocks.*
8. All “new” detainees shall enter the Behavior Management System on Level 2 if they are cooperative during the intake process. If the detainee is uncooperative, they may be started on Level 1 or Level 0, depending on the severity of inappropriate behaviors. Starting a detainee on Level 2 affords certain “innate” privileges that can only be lost by exhibiting inappropriate behaviors. There is one exception as discussed below in number 5.
9. Those detainees sentenced to weekends (48 hours or less per visit) will enter the Behavior Management System on level zero (0) and remain on this level throughout their sentence.
10. Extra privileges may be earned through the point system.

**Point System:**

1. A detainee may earn one point for each time block on any given day.
2. A detainee will lose a privilege and consequently fail to earn a point if they fail to display acceptable behavior. Detainees are only given two warnings about inappropriate behavior in any time block. Upon the second warning, the detainee will be informed that they did not earn a point for the current time block. These warnings do not have to be given for the same offense.
3. During school time blocks, the NRVJDH teachers will have input on earned points based on a detainee’s performance in school.
4. A detainee will fail to earn a point for the first time block that they are in room restriction. They may earn points in subsequent time blocks during restriction by displaying acceptable behavior.
5. When a detainee fails to earn a point, that detainee will only be allowed Level 1 game privileges for the remainder of the day. Full game privileges will be reinstated, according to level, on the following day.
6. Staff shall record all warnings, in green ink, in the Log Book or in the Point Log (Located on the activity floor) immediately or as soon as it is practical (i.e. in between classes if they do not have anyone to relieve them)
7. Daily and accumulated points will be kept track of on the Level Board Record which is located in the Bridge. Accumulated points will be kept track of in the Point System Log. The Point System Log will be updated daily, by the Shift Supervisor (or designee), after the detainees are placed in their rooms for bedtime. The Shift Supervisor (or designee) in charge on Friday night will update the Level Board Record and indicate what extra privilege(s) detainees have chosen.
8. An average daily point total of 3.7 or greater (26 out of 28 possible points) will advance a detainee to the next level on Friday night.
9. An average daily point total between 3.5 and 3.7 (24.5 – 26 out of 28 possible) will result in the detainee’s level remaining the same.
10. An average daily point total of lower than 3.5 (24.5 or lower out of 28 possible) will result in a detainee losing a level
11. A detainee that earns all 28 points (or averages 4.0 daily) will be eligible for their choice of one of the following extra privileges. *They will earn each privilege for a week or until they fail to earn a point; whichever may occur first.*
12. A detainee that earns all 28 points for four straight weeks after achieving level 4 is eligible to earn a second extra privilege and the right to wear a gray “Honor Level” shirt (which they may take home upon their release from detention).
13. Post Dispositional children shall have more stringent behavioral rules/ consequences as outlined by the Post-D Coordinator.

**Behavior Time Blocks:**

1. The day is divided into 4 time blocks. They are as follows:
2. ***1st Time Block*** – This time block begins at the wake-up time and ends at the beginning of lunchtime.
3. ***2nd Time Block*** – This time block begins with lunchtime and ends at shift change.
4. ***3rd Time Block*** – This time block begins with shift change and ends at the beginning of dinnertime.
5. ***4th Time Block*** – This time begins at dinnertime and ends at bedtime.
6. There are no specific hours put in these blocks because the schedule changes at times depending on the day and situation.
7. Time blocks 1-4 are considered the waking-hour time blocks. Detainees can receive room restriction only during these times.

**Evening Clean Up:**

1. Child Care staff may choose up to two detainees to help with evening cleaning duties. *Staff must understand that they are ultimately responsible for the job done by these detainees. Staff must check behind detainees to ensure that all cleaning tasks are completed in an acceptable manner.*
2. These detainees should be chosen based on their ability to follow instructions, their ability to clean (i.e.: a child with a clean room and “tight” bed), and their ability to behave.
3. Cleaning duties begin after evening medication administration and end approximately a half-hour later.
4. Clean up crews are out of their room for the sole purpose of cleaning and may not play games, watch TV, color, etc. Staff may choose to play music during the cleaning activity.

The letters **G.O.A.L.S.** will be used as a measurement tool of your participation in the PD program. The following is an explanation of how to earn each letter.

**Behavior Levels** – Must be on level two to request any letter.

**GOALS Assignments** – Must complete all assignments predetermined by the PD teacher for the given letter.

**Mental Health Stages** – Must complete all assignments given by MH for the given letter.

**Presentation** – Made to the PD team (PD Teacher, PDC, MH Clinician & Case manager) showing how you will or have used the information obtained in your quest for change during the next scheduled meeting.

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| G – Self Awareness | Chap stick / Stress Ball |
| O – Career Preparation | Body Pillow and Cover |
| A – Goal Setting | Nintendo DS / Radio |
| L – Adult Living | Own clothes |
| S – Transition Planning | Release recommendation made to the court. |

If room restriction occurs, no matter the length of restriction, **all** incentives will be immediately suspended until:

 To earn G incentive back – 1 day of all four points earned

 To earn O incentive back – 2 days of all four points earned

 To earn A incentive back – 3 days of all four points earned

 To earn L incentive back – 4 days of all four points earned

The Post-Dispositional Coordinator (or designee) is responsible for giving or returning all PD incentives.

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5. There are no specific hours put in these blocks because the schedule changes at times depending on the day and situation.
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**Outings / Home Visits**

**Requirements:** All PD Program Detainees may earn the privilege of participating in the Outing /Home Visit Component of the PD Program after being in the program for at least 90 days unless specified by the court that they are not to be considered. Requirements for eligibility will be in four fields (1) Behavior, (2) GOALS, (3) Mental Health, (4) Education, and are as follows:

Four hour outing:

* + - * Be on level 4 at the time of release for the outing / home visit;
			* Have earned letters G & O of the G.O.A.L.S. Program;
			* Earn all available points during school hours for the week;
			* Making adequate progress toward MH goals

Eight hour outing:

* + - * Be on level 4 at the time of release for the outing / home visit
			* Have earned letters G & O of the G.O.A.L.S. Program
			* Earn all available points during school hours for the week;
			* Making adequate progress toward MH goals
			* Drops to 4 hours if 1 point is not earned

Twenty-four hour home visit:

* + - * Be on level 4 at the time of release for the outing / home visit
			* Have earned letters G, O & A of the G.O.A.L.S. Program
			* Earn all available points during school hours for the week;
			* Making adequate progress toward MH goals
			* Drops to 8 hours if 1 point is not earned
			* Drops to 4 hours if 2 points are not earned

Forty-eight hour home visit:

* + - * Be on level 4 at the time of release for the outing / home visit
			* Have earned letters G, O, A, & L of the G.O.A.L.S. Program
			* Earn all available points during school hours for the week;
			* Making adequate progress toward MH goals
			* Drops to 24 hours if 1 point is not earned
			* Drops to 8 hours if 2 points are not earned

Remainder of sentence at home:

* + - * Be on level 4 at the time of release for the outing / home visit
			* Have earned all letters of the G.O.A.L.S. Program and exit plan created
			* Earn all available points during school hours for the week;
			* Making adequate progress toward MH goals

A home visit will not be granted if the detainee fails to earn 3 or more available points in a calculated week.

**Procedures:**

Prior to every outing/home visit the PD Coordinator or a designated detention staff member will explain expectations and rules for the detainee and his/her parent or legal guardian. This shall be documented on the Temporary/Transitional Release Contract.

When a detainee has met all of the requirements to be eligible for an outing/home visit, the visit will be arranged by the PD Coordinator or designee after conferring with the PO. He/she will set the date & time of release for the visit, to whom the child will be released, the adult responsible for supervising the child during the visit, and the return date & time. Once the arrangements have been made, the PDC will notify the child’s PO.

No detainee may be absent from a scheduled school day unless he/she is considered a high school graduate by way of passing the GED or completing regular requirements for graduation.

While on an outing /home visit, the detainee may be randomly contacted by the detention home staff to ensure compliance and supervision.

Any of the detainee’s personal property being removed from the detention home will be logged and signed out and is not to return with the detainee.

When being released or returning to the detention home only those responsible for the direct supervision of the detainee will be permitted in the lobby anyone else will be asked to wait outside.

When leaving or returning to the detention home you must wear the detention home clothes you have on. Do not forget to return wearing detention home clothes including under garments.

If you return to the detention home after a scheduled meal you will be expected to eat prior to returning as you will have to wait until the next scheduled meal/snack time.

A strip search shall be conducted and the form completed on every child returning from an outing/visit, no matter the length of time the child has been out of the facility.

The detainee will be given a tobacco, alcohol, and drug screen upon returning from all home visits.

An Outing / Home Visit Review Form shall be completed within 24 hours after returning to the detention home by the detainee and the parent / legal guardian must complete this form when the detainee is returned to the detention home. Place the completed forms in the PD Coordinator’s box.

Failure to comply with the rules / guidelines regarding these outings / visits or failure to cooperate with all parties involved may result in shorter time out or loss of the privilege.

**Completing Sentence at Home:**

To complete court ordered sentence at home the following criteria must be met

* Cooperate with mental health in planning and participating in two in-home family counseling sessions
* Be enrolled in home school, community college, and/or secure employment
* Execute all of the exit plan / S Unit

Upon completion of the above criteria, the PDC will notify the courts of your successful completion and you will be released from the Post-dispositional Program no later than the 180th day or the last day of your sentence. If you do not meet your obligations at any point, the court will be notified and your state commitment may be imposed.

**Drug Screen Selection:**

A PD Participant will be given a drug screen upon their return from an outing / home visit.



**New River Valley Juvenile Detention Home**

**Post-Dispositional Program**

Temporary / Transitional Release Contract

**Juvenile’s Name:**

**Expectations:**

While you are on an outing / home visit, you are to follow these rules:

* You must be in direct supervision of the person you were released to for the duration of the outing. – DSS Reportable
	+ Parent/legal guardian left PDP unsupervised
		- DSS and the courts notified
		- Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
		- Parent/legal guardian reported
	+ PDP – AWOL
		- 72 hours room restriction upon return to detention
		- Removal from program
		- Revocation of home visits
* You are not to consume, sell, purchase, or have in your possession any type of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products. (You may be tested for drugs, tobacco and/or alcohol upon returning to detention.) – DSS Reportable if parent/legal guardian is aware of use
	+ Parent/legal guardian reported
		- Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
	+ Staff suspected, physical evidence or drug screen found usage
		- Parent/legal guardian and PDP reported to the court/DSS
		- Room restriction 24 hours
		- Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
* You are not to have in your possession guns, knives, or any other type of weapon.
	+ 24 hours room restriction
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
* You may not operate a motorized vehicle unless otherwise decided by the court.
	+ Parent/legal guardian and PDP reported to the court/DSS
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
* You must return to the detention home at the designated time (no matter the time you actually left the facility).
	+ Length of time and circumstances will determine severity of consequences
	+ DSS and the courts notified
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
	+ Possible PDP – AWOL
	+ Possible up to 72 hours room restriction upon return to detention
	+ Possible removal from program
* You must behave in an appropriate manner (follow rules and restrictions set by the person who is directly supervising you, do not be unruly, do not be verbally or physically abusive and refrain from using foul language).
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
* You must follow the existing probation rules and obey all laws and ordinances.
	+ Parent/legal guardian and PDP reported to the court/DSS
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits
* You are not permitted to obtain tattoos, piercings, or any other significant hair/body appearance alterations during release.
	+ Parent/legal guardian and PDP reported to the court/DSS
	+ Room restriction 24 hours
	+ Possible decreasing or revocation of home visits

**Consequences:**

If you fail to comply with any of the expectations listed above, your Outings/Home Visits may be revoked, shortened, or you may be permanently removed from the PD Program. All infractions will be reported to the court.

**To the parent/legal guardian**: Your responsibilities are to provide a safe, drug and alcohol free environment. You are required to keep a log of activities for the entire outing/visit and present a potential itinerary of what the plans are while he/she is in your care. The child must be in your constant supervision and not permitted to have unsupervised contact with friends. The detention home staff may call your child to check on him/her, to be sure he/she is being supervised accordingly they will ask to speak to you. Remember, outings/home visits are intended to improve and develop family relationships in order to make the final transition home smoother. Therefore, your cooperation in this matter is of utmost importance.

Noncompliance on the part of the parent/legal guardian will be reported to the court and action can be taken against him/her for failure to cooperate or supervise the child. It will be reported to DSS if the child states the parent/legal guardian is aware of any substance abuse during the home visit.

**In case of an emergency**, the parent/legal guardian must contact the detention home immediately at **540-381-0097**.

At the conclusion of each outing/home visit both of you will be given a form to be completed concerning feedback of how the visit went and issues to be discussed before next outing/visit.

**Outings/Home Visits are a privilege any attempt to misuse this privilege may result in the loss of the privilege.**

# **Conclusion**

Discipline:

Discipline for rule infractions, occasional negative behaviors, and non-compliance with treatment plan goals are handled in the detention home. Continual negative behaviors and major rule violations require meetings with the parent/legal guardian and probation officer. Once such a meeting is held if said behavior continues removal from the P.D. Program will be recommended to the courts as soon as possible.

Automatic Request for Removal:

The P.D. Program is here to help you to be successful in returning to the community but the true success lies with you. There are certain violations that will result in an automatic request of your removal from the program. 1. If you do not return to the facility at your designated time and we have had no contact with you to inform us that you will be late. 2. If you test positive for drugs or we have evidence that you have used alcohol, tobacco products, and/or drugs. 3. If you receive a new charge for breaking the law. 4. If you are out of supervision for any length of time. You may be asked to be removed for other violations as determined by the P.D. Coordinator.

The reason you were placed in the P.D. Program (at least according to your P.O. and Judge) is to identify the behaviors that keep you involved with the court system and to change those behaviors so you can get off of probation and stay off. What you accomplish in the P.D. Program and the commitment you make to your treatment goals will determine if you will be part of the small percentage of juveniles that do not return to detention or end up in jail!