

KANE COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL

Helpful Hints for Parents



Monitoring

- Know your child's friends & their parents
- Gather details about where your child will be when they leave the house
- Use tracking apps
- Check cell phones for appropriate usage
- Search rooms for contraband
- Verify your child's reported location

Trust but Verify



Accountability

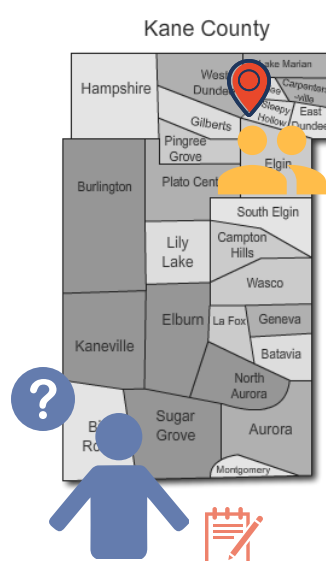
- Provide realistic expectations
- Hold youth accountable to correct inappropriate behavior
- Reinforce good behavior
- Maintain consistency

Firm but Fair

Internet Safety

- Talk about appropriate internet usage
- Know what your child is doing online
- Require disclosure of passwords and usernames to social media accounts
- Check search histories
- Remind child about the lack of privacy on the internet
- Learn how to use the social media outlets

Privacy is a Privilege



Stay Informed

- Encourage your child to share about what is going on in their lives
- Challenge discrepancies and gather evidence to confirm reports
- Research current trends among youth
- Maintain communication with other supports (school, coaches, etc.)

Confront to Connect



KANE COUNTY YOUTH RESOURCES

MENTAL HEALTH



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS:

An individual at an immediate risk for harm to themselves or harm to others; may include a behavioral health crisis, such as: expressing thoughts or urges to hurt self or others, seeing or hearing things that are not real, having bizarre or paranoid thoughts, being extremely aggressive or destructive, not eating or sleeping for extended periods of time, and/or exhibiting other severe psychiatric symptoms.

SASS (CARES Line) 1-800-345-9049

Other behavioral health resources: wesupportmentalhealth.org

RUNAWAY/LOCKOUT



OTHER YOUTH CRISIS:

Families can call the number listed below to be connected with a worker within 24 to 48 hours. If the situation requires an immediate crisis response, contact law enforcement for assistance; officers can contact the same line and be connected with a worker more immediately.

Crisis Line: 708-679-8100

CCBYS is a statewide 24/7 crisis intervention system mandated to serve youth in crisis (runaways, lock-outs, beyond control and in physical danger) and also serves youth in high-risk situations. In Kane County, Aunt Martha's Health & Wellness provides this service.

PROSOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mentoring

African American Men of Unity: www.aamou.org

Triple Threat Mentoring: www.triplethreat.org

Employment - Workforce Development Division

Youth Services: 630-966-1435, ext. 40076

Boys and Girls Club of Elgin: www.bgcelgin.org

Lifetime Bonds/Safe Humane Chicago: www.safehumanechicago.org

LGBTQ

Youth Outlook: www.youth-outlook.org

Call your local park district for more activities!



OTHER RESOURCES

DCFS Hotline 1-800-252-2873

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

NAMI Kane County North..... 1-847-410-9719

NAMI Kane-south, DeKalb, & Kendall..... 1-630-896-6264

Prairie State Legal Services..... 1-630-232-9415

Illinois Hunger Hotline..... 1-800-359-2163

Domestic Violence

Mutual Ground..... 1-630-897-0080

Community Crisis Center..... 1-847-697-2380

Mission

Facilitate communication and awareness of community resources for at-risk youth and families by establishing and maintaining partnerships across systems.

Vision

To serve as a collaborative resource to align effective services for the prevention, intervention, rehabilitation, and reintegration of juveniles in order to create a positive change for youth, families, and the community.