

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
JUVENILE DIVISION
LAKE COUNTY, OHIO

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IN RE:)
ORDER DECLARING CONTINUITY) **JUDGE KAREN LAWSON**
OF OPERATIONS OF THE) **AMENDED JUDGMENT ENTRY**
LAKE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT) **(TEMPORARY ORDERS)**

The Judge of the Lake County Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division, amends the Judgment Entry filed March 19, 2020, May 11, 2020, June 2, 2021 and July 20, 2021 with the following orders:

1. Effective December 21, 2021 the Lake County Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division will be operating OPEN WITH RESTRICTIONS. Only essential judicial court and clerk personnel shall be on duty in the Courthouse, including sufficient security officers.
2. If the Judge or Magistrate determines that a trial, hearing or other proceeding is necessary to be held at that time only the litigants, their attorneys and any witnesses, and limited media, if requested, are permitted entry and no other persons will be permitted entry.
3. Any such persons may be subject to health screening, testing and/or having their temperature taken and may be excluded from admission based upon the results of such screening, testing and/or temperature.
4. Any such persons are required to maintain a minimum of six (6) feet of social distancing at all times while in the Juvenile Court.
5. Any such persons are required to wear face coverings at all times while in the Juvenile Court.
6. No more than ten (10) members of the public are permitted in the building at one time.
7. Witnesses may be required to remain outside the building until they are called to appear to testify.
8. All employees at Juvenile Court are to maintain a minimum of six (6) feet of social distancing from others at all times while at work (this does not apply to

Detention Center Employees as it relates to the operating procedure with/for the youth in the Detention Facility).

9. All employees of the Juvenile Court are to wear facial coverings in the public areas of the building and while in the building when having direct, face to face, interaction with any and all members of the public. All residents in the Lake County Juvenile Court Detention Center and students in the Educational Service Department are to wear facial coverings. Any employee who is not vaccinated is required to wear facial coverings at all times while in the building.
10. All employees of the Juvenile Court who have flu-like/covid symptoms for example, but not limited to, cough, congestion, sore throat, temperature over 100.4, fever or other flu-like/covid symptoms are not permitted entrance into the building and may be excluded from admission and be required to have a negative pharmacy, hospital or doctor covid test, a doctor's note to return to work and/or self-quarantine.
11. All visitation at the Lake County Juvenile Detention Facility is suspended subject to video conferencing and telephone contact between youth subject to detention and the youth's parents.
12. All filings will only be accepted via facsimile at (440) 350-2724 or via the United States mail sent to Lake County Juvenile Court at 53 East Erie Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077. Filing fees shall accompany the filings via U.S. mail. The Clerk of Court Schedule of Fees may be accessed at www.lakecountyohio.gov/juvenile. All mail arriving at the Clerk's Office shall remain unopen and will not be processed for 24 hours. The declaration of a public health emergency shall operate as a finding of good cause for continuances. Attorneys and self-represented parties are requested to limit new case filings to those that are emergent or time sensitive. This is not a mandatory requirement, but a voluntary request.
13. Litigants and attorneys who are uncertain of their next court proceeding should call Juvenile Court at (440) 350-3000 before traveling to court.

14. As much as is possible the Court shall conduct hearings, pretrials, pleas and traffic matters via Webex. Instructions for Webex hearings are attached to this Order and marked as Exhibit "A". When Webex is not available, hearings and pretrials will be conducted by telephone conference. The Court must be provided the telephone numbers of all attorneys and litigants for the hearing. Court staff will initiate the call.
15. The following evening and weekend classes are cancelled; **SATURDAY ACADEMIC PROGRAM, SATURDAY WORK PROGRAM, SATURDAY WORK DETAIL PROGRAM AND NEW VOICES PROGRAM.**
16. The following evening and weekend classes will continue virtually via Webex or other video conferencing or phone; **FELONY EDUCATION PROGRAM, DRUG AND ALCOHOL CLASSES, PARENTING CLASSES** and Ohio Youth Assessment Systems (OYAS).
17. The Court will remain open to hear all Lake County Department of Jobs and Family Service matters as they relate to filings on abuse, neglect and dependency cases as it relates to a grant of shelter care or emergency temporary custody.
18. The Court will remain open to hear all Juvenile Civil Protection Orders.
19. All juveniles arrested upon a warrant shall have a detention hearing the next business day after arrest.
20. All adults arrested upon a warrant shall have a hearing the next business day after arrest.
21. All essential personnel are required to be at work. Essential personnel include all Detention Center Employees.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



KAREN LAWSON, JUDGE

cc: Judge Eugene Lucci
Judge Vincent Culotta
Judge Colleen Falkowski
Judge John O'Donnell
Judge Mark Bartolotta
Judge Patrick Condon
Lake County Bar Association
Lake County Sheriff
Lake County Prosecutor
Lake County Public Defender

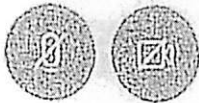
Information for Webex Videoconference Hearings

Your hearing will be conducted via Webex videoconference. You will receive an invitation with details via email. Please keep the Court updated with your current email address by calling 440-350-3000 and asking for the Clerks' Office, or by emailing juvclerksoffice@lakecountyoohio.gov. Please note the following:

1. You will need to join the hearing from a computer or mobile device (smart phone/tablet) with a microphone, camera, and speakers.
2. You will have to download and install the Webex Meetings app if using a computer, or the Webex Meet app for mobile devices, and allow access your camera and microphone. Link to download: <https://www.webex.com/downloads.html>
3. At the time of your hearing, click the Join Meeting button.



4. If your microphone icon is red after joining, you are muted. If your camera icon is red after joining, you are not sharing video. Click the buttons to enable microphone and camera.



For more information please see <https://help.webex.com/en-us/n62wi3c/Get-Started-with-Cisco-Webex-Meetings-for-Attendees>

