



# Junior DA Academy Application – 2026

This application form is for students interested in participating in the upcoming San Diego County District Attorney's Office (SDCDA) "Junior DA Academy" and for students and parents or guardians (Participant) to provide consent and concurrence for their student's participation in the program.

The Junior DA Academy is an in-person 4-day program (approx. 4-hours each day), scheduled from **July 27-30, 2026**, and conducted at the downtown San Diego County District Attorney's Office.

**Applications are due on or before Monday, May 18, 2026 at 5pm.** Seats are limited and applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis.

**All completed applications can be submitted via email to [juniorDAacademy@SanDiegoDA.gov](mailto:juniorDAacademy@SanDiegoDA.gov) for processing.**

To learn more about this student program, please visit <https://www.sdca.org/office/Junior-DA-Academy>.

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## STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's FIRST Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's LAST Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Current Age \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Grade/Year starting in Fall 2026

9th (Freshman)     10th (Sophomore)     11th (Junior)     12th (Senior)

T-Shirt Size

X-Small     Small     Medium     Large     X-Large     2X-Large

Student's Interests and Hobbies

Briefly tell us why you are interested in the Junior DA Academy

How did you hear about the Junior DA Academy?



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## PARTICIPANT CONSENT & CONTACT INFORMATION

**IMPORTANT PARTICIPANT ADVISORY AND INFORMATION – PLEASE READ:** The purpose of the Junior DA Academy program is to educate and bring awareness to local high school students about the role of the San Diego County District Attorney's Office (SDCDA) and the Criminal Justice System in a constructive and engaging format. The County of San Diego, its officers, agents, and employees, and law enforcement partners do not advocate political positions during any hosted events but will seek to encourage dialogue around career exploration and preparation.

This form is to notify Participant that some content displayed during some of the program may be considered sensitive. Therefore, SDCDA wants to provide Participant with the opportunity to give or withhold consent for their child to participate in this program. Note that consent may be revoked at any time during the program, by contacting the assigned program coordinator, once Participant has been admitted into the program.

It is necessary that parents or guardians specifically authorize their student to be included in these events. While supervision for these events will be furnished by SDCDA and event partners, Participants are hereby advised that such supervision will occur only during the activity duration stated above. Although we will take every precaution to assure the welfare and safety of all students participating in this activity, it is important to understand that the County of San Diego and partners assume no liability whatsoever in case of injury or accident, as noted in further detail in the section below entitled Agreement to Hold Harmless.

**Content Acknowledgment:** Participant acknowledges and understands the SDCDA deals directly with misdemeanor and felony-level crimes and that the nature of the work performed at the SDCDA is highly sensitive and often contains adult themes and content. While all efforts will be made to ensure students are only exposed to age-appropriate content, Participant understands the possibility that the student may be exposed to such adult content.

Participant agrees that program will include a walk/tour the downtown SDCDA Offices and Superior Court courthouse with SDCDA employees. Participant understands that the student is responsible for their own conduct and agrees to abide by all rules set by the SDCDA. Participant further understands that the student's privilege to participate in the Junior DA Academy may be revoked if they behave inappropriately or otherwise violate stated rules and/or directives.

**Agreement to Hold Harmless:** Participant or their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns agrees to hold harmless, defend, and to indemnify the County of San Diego and partners, accept any and all responsibility for loss or damage to any person or entity, including the County of San Diego, and to indemnify, hold harmless, and release the County of San Diego, its officers, agents, and employees, and event partners from and against any actions, claims, losses, damages, liabilities, disabilities, or expenses for injury to or death of any person(s), or damage to property relating to or arising from the student's participation in the activities designated in this notice that may be asserted by any person or entity, including parent/guardian or his or her heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns. Participant's obligations as discussed herein shall apply whether or not there is concurrent negligence on the County of San Diego and partners' part but to the extent required by law, excluding liability due to the County of San Diego and partners' conduct.

**Not an Employment Agreement:** This Agreement is not an employment agreement, and no provision of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted to create an employment relationship. Participants do not have the authority to create any obligation or act on behalf of the County of San Diego and SDCDA.

**Medical Release:** Participant authorizes the SDCDA and its representatives to seek and consent to emergency medical treatment for the student as needed. Participant agrees to be liable for and to pay all costs associated with any such medical treatment.

**Video/Audio Consent:** Participant grants permission to the SDCDA and its representatives to take and use photographs, digital video and/or digital images of the student for use in publicity, illustration, publishing, or other lawful uses as may be determined by the SDCDA included, but not limited to, the SDCDA's external social media and interoffice communications to highlight and promote the Junior DA Academy.

**Emergency Contact Information** (other than parent/guardian); include Name, Relationship to Student, and Phone Number:



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## CERTIFICATION/AGREEMENT

By selecting "I AGREE" below, I attest to have read and understand there may be potentially sensitive content presented during the Junior DA Academy detailed on this form and I have read, understand, and agree to ALL of the policies, provisions, and expectations detailed above on this form including the sections entitled Content Acknowledgment, Agreement to Hold Harmless, Not an Employment Agreement, Medical Release, and Video/Audio Consent.

If you do not agree, please select the button labeled "I DO NOT AGREE".

I AGREE

I DO NOT AGREE

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ or insert student's digital signature  
M/D/YYYY

I HEREBY CERTIFY AND ATTEST that I am the legal parent or guardian of the student mentioned hereunder and have the requisite authority to consent to my student's participation in the SDCDA's Junior DA Academy, as described herein.

I concur with my child's participation in this program and their acceptance of all the terms in this agreement and I accept all the terms in this agreement.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ or insert Parent/Guardian's digital signature  
M/D/YYYY

### Additional Contact Information:

Please enter Parent/Guardian email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter Parent/Guardian phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter student's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter the name of the school your student attends: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT**

a completed applications via email to [juniorDAacademy@SanDiegoDA.gov](mailto:juniorDAacademy@SanDiegoDA.gov) for processing.

A follow-up confirmation email will be sent to the Parent/Guardian email address provided on this form within a few business days.