

MARQUETTE LAW SCHOOL AND EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN BAR ASSOCIATION

SUMMER YOUTH INSTITUTE

IN COLLABORATION WITH JUST THE BEGINNING FOUNDATION,

JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., KIDS, COURTS, & CITIZENSHIP, AND THE WISCONSIN CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CORPORATE COUNSEL

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OVERVIEW

The Marquette Law School and Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association Summer Youth Institute is designed to introduce middle and high school students to the legal system, expose them to careers in law, and provide them with practical tools for achieving their educational goals.

The Summer Youth Institute (SYI) is open to students who will enter the 8th, 9th, or 10th grade next fall.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

The SYI application is open to students who will enter the 8th, 9th, or 10th grade next fall. Applications are reviewed and students are selected each spring for that summer's program. Enrollment is limited to 20 students who demonstrate motivation, maturity, and a genuine interest in pursuing academic goals. Students must live **and** attend school in the City of Milwaukee **or** must be first-generation college bound (neither of your parents hold a bachelor's degree) or use English as a second language.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The SYI is held at Marquette Law School, 1215 W. Michigan Street in Milwaukee. The program provides fun and educational day programming. **The program is FREE to all students.** Milwaukee County Transit System tickets will be provided to students as needed.

The program includes interactive lessons, critical thinking exercises, writing and oral advocacy, instruction from guest speakers, and field trips to area law firms, corporations, and courthouses. The full program schedule can be viewed on our webpage: www.law.marquette.edu/community/summer-youth-institute

The goals of the program are to provide access to a law school educational experience for first-generation, low-income and/or underrepresented students in law school programs, and ultimately, to contribute to the diversification of legal practitioners in Milwaukee and beyond.

Students who participate in the SYI will:

- Explore the legal system and how it works;
- Build leadership and teamwork skills;
- Analyze selected cases, debate legal issues and participate in an oral argument;
- Learn what it takes to become a lawyer;
- Explore other careers in the legal system;
- Develop professionalism skills;
- Develop contact with legal professionals and mentors;
- Gain insight into the college and university admissions process and financial aid resources.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INVOLVEMENT

Recognizing that the involvement of adult role models is critical to a student's educational success, a special session will be held for parents/guardians/mentors to learn the steps involved in helping students navigate the process of taking standardized tests, applying for college, and exploring financial aid. Parents and guardians are also invited to attend the oral argument presentation and celebration luncheon.

COST AND TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISION

The SYI is free to students. Milwaukee County Transit bus tickets will be mailed to students prior to the first day as needed. Marquette Law School is located on bus routes 10, 12, 14, 23, 30, and 31. The law school is shown as #7 on the Marquette Campus Map: <http://www.marquette.edu/campus-map/marquette-map.pdf>

SYI SUPERVISION

The SYI has two program coordinators who will supervise participants and provide guidance throughout the program. Phone contact is possible but may be limited at times during the day. Please feel free to contact 414-288-7924 with any questions.

COMMUNICATION

Program communications are done almost exclusively by email. **A student will not be emailed unless a parent's email address is also included on the communication.** Parents are strongly encouraged to regularly check emails and, when appropriate, reply promptly. If you do not have an email account, consider setting one up to help your child successfully navigate the exchange of information about the Summer Youth Institute. Your child's school or your local library can help.

We will work with a family who does not have email access. In these instances, prompt replies to mail and phone communications are required. If your phone number or mailing address changes, please notify us at 414-288-7924.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, students must submit each of the following:

1. A completed application form included in this document or available online at <https://law.marquette.edu/community/summer-youth-institute-program-application>.
2. A letter of recommendation from a teacher, mentor, or other non-family member.
 - A letter of recommendation form is included on the last page of this document.
 - Your recommender may use the form or write a separate letter without the form.
3. A statement of interest.
 - This should be a typewritten essay of no more than 500 words. Your essay should tell us about yourself, how you would contribute to the program, and why you would like to attend.
 - This statement should reflect a tone that demonstrates sincere interest in the program and the seriousness with which you will apply yourself.
 - The committee gives serious consideration to your personal statement.

4. A copy of your most recent report card.

All submissions will remain confidential and be reviewed only by the selection committee.

Applications are accepted at any time. Applications are reviewed and students are selected in spring each year. Submit materials no later than March to be considered for the session being held that same year.

Completed applications may be submitted using one of the following methods:

- **Online:** <https://law.marquette.edu/community/summer-youth-institute-program-application>. The application form and statement of interest may be submitted online.
- **By email:** publicservicelaw@marquette.edu. Please attach your documents in Word, Rich Text, or PDF formatting. You may scan your school transcript and letter of recommendation, or provide your recommender with this email address.
- **By mail:** Summer Youth Institute, Marquette University Law School, P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881
- **By fax:** Summer Youth Institute, 414-288-0200

If you have any questions about the application process or required materials, please do not hesitate to call or email 414-288-7924 or publicservicelaw@marquette.edu.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
THE MARQUETTE LAW SCHOOL AND
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FOR COMPLETION BY STUDENT

Today's Date:

Student Name:

Admissions Requirements:

SYI is for students who will enter 8th, 9th or 10th grade next year.

What grade will you enter next year?

SYI is for students who live *and* attend school in the city of Milwaukee, *or* who are first-generation college bound students or use English as a second language.

Do you live in the city of Milwaukee?

What is your home address with city, state, and zip code?

What school do you attend now?

What school will you attend next year?

Do your parents have bachelor's degrees?

Is English your second language?

Student Email Address:

Email is our primary mode of communication. However, we will not email a student without also emailing a parent or guardian or an adult designated by a parent or guardian.

Student Primary Phone #:

Secondary Phone #:

Student Date of Birth:

What grade will you be in next fall?

Have you applied for the Summer Youth Institute in the past?

If yes, what year?

How did you find out about the Summer Youth Institute?

By signing your name below, you agree that if you are selected to participate in the program you will arrive on time each day, attend all program sessions, and complete all assignments.

Student Signature

FOR COMPLETION BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Parent Name:

Parent Mailing Address with City, State, and Zip Code:

Primary Phone Number:

Alternate Phone Number #1:

Alternate Phone Number #2:

Parent Email Address:

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Other Adult Email Address:

Relationship of "Other Adult" to Student:

Email is our primary mode of communication. Can you easily receive and respond to emails?

If no, please give us additional information about the easiest way to reach you (phone, mail, time of day, etc.):

Your signature below indicates your awareness of your child's application for admission to the Marquette Law School Summer Youth Institute. You understand the program is for students who live and go to school in the City of Milwaukee. You are willing to do what you can to support your child's successful attendance and completion of the program.

Parent or Guardian Signature

In addition to this form, candidates are expected to submit a letter of recommendation, a statement of interest, and a copy of the most recent report card. See our website for additional details: <http://law.marquette.edu/community/summer-youth-institute-program-application>

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM
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Applicant: Please give this form to a teacher, counselor, pastor, employer, etc. to complete. You may NOT be recommended by a relative. Your recommender may submit a letter of recommendation instead of this form.

Recommender: Please complete the form and return it to the applicant, or submit it directly to Summer Youth Institute, Marquette Law School, P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881. Or publicservicelaw@marquette.edu.

Student Applicant's Name:

Recommender's Name and Title:

Contact information:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Relationship to the applicant:

How long have you known the applicant?

Why do you believe the applicant should be selected to participate in the Summer Youth Institute?

(Attach an additional page if more space is needed)
