

Hi, My name is Chanell Green.

I am a senior at Strawberry Mansion High School. I've been in Teen Court for 4 years. Teen Court has taught me that there is a lot of different ways besides punishment to resolve problems. I've have been fortunate enough to have a lot of amazing experiences because of teen court. It is not everyday a young African American female can shadow lawyers, perform mock hearing in front of professors, Federal Judges, District Attorneys, and most importantly find their passion for law.

Before teen court I didn't know what career path I wanted to go down but being here helped me. Teen court has been a tool for me that I can take into the real world. One day when I practice law myself, I want to give people the chance to change their behavior.

It is easy to look at the things from just one point of view. We have been taught punishment all our lives. There is another way and it is not easy, but teen court has helped me see that it is possible.

Thank you.