

Youth Criminal Justice Act: Informational Pamphlet

Instructions: You will be working with other students to create an informational pamphlet about the *Youth Criminal Justice Act (YCJA)*.

Keep in mind the **essential question**:

How are youth offenders treated differently than adult offenders?

Topics for your pamphlet include:

- Legal rights of youth regarding search or detention
- Legal rights of youth upon arrest
- Extrajudicial measures
- Youth and adult court
- Youth sentence options under the *YCJA*
- Youth records

Requirements:

- Clear title and subheadings
- Accurate and clear content (consider audience and purpose)
- Visual Aids (pictures, logos)
- MLA Bibliography (separate page)
 - For images and research sources

Suggested initial resources:

Explore the *YCJA*, Justice Education Society, www.ycja.ca/

“Introduction (YCJA).” *Canadian Legal FAQs*, Centre for Public Legal Education Alberta, 11 Jan. 2020, www.law-faqs.org/national-faqs/youth-and-the-law-national/youth-criminal-justice-act-ycja/introduction-ycja/

“Legal Rights for Youth.” *Legal Rights for Youth*, Justice Education Society, www.legalrightsfor youth.ca/

“YCJA”, Prosecution Services – Youth Court Justice Act 2015 Pocket Book Guide, <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/law-crime-and-justice/criminal-justice/prosecution-service/reports-publications/ycja-2015-bc-pocket-guide.pdf>