

Data Services Warning Letter Criteria

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Close a Legally Sufficient MIP/LTO Referral With A Warning When:

1. The case is not already open to a Juvenile Court Counselor (JCC)

Note: treat Possession < 1 oz. Marijuana Within 1000 ft. of a School the same as an LTO violation.

Close a Legally Sufficient Misdemeanor or Violation Referral With a Warning When:

1. The case is not already open to a JCC
2. There is no other legally sufficient misdemeanor or felony referral and no weapons referral of any type within twelve months of this referral (do not count cases that are still at DA Review).
3. The charge is a non-person, non-weapons misdemeanor or violation, or is non-sexual harassment
4. The charge is NOT prostitution and NOT resisting arrest
5. There will be no restitution

Exception 1: Some instances of Disorderly Conduct during a twelve-month period may be closed with a warning with the approval of a Community Justice Manager, based on whether it is evident that the issue has already been addressed in the community.

Exception 2: All instances of Criminal Trespass I or II will be closed with a warning unless there is information that indicates a serious unresolved community safety issue. These cases will be reviewed by a Community Justice Manager to determine whether a warning is appropriate.

Exception 3: Consult with a Community Justice Manager when unclear about any of the conditions above, or when the information in the police report suggests a threat to community safety or a pattern of sophisticated criminal behavior.

Exception 4: If the youth is in detention on a Measure 11 charge, any warn-able misdemeanors under the criteria above will be closed Review and Close, and no warning letter will be sent.

Note: In the case of an MIP/LTO and a warn-able misdemeanor or violation occurring on the same referral, send both letters in the same envelope so the parent has lists of providers to address both the substance abuse and the delinquency issues.

All Other Misdemeanors on youth not currently on a JCC's caseload will be assigned to the Informal Intervention Unit.