



Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan



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Subject: S.T.A.N.D. Wayne County Juvenile Drug Court

The Third Circuit Court's Supervised Treatment for Alcohol and Narcotic Dependency (S.T.A.N.D.) aims to eliminate juvenile's substance use and abuse and delinquent behavior. Currently the program has 40 participants and 12 are slated to graduate. These graduates have been acknowledged for their progress throughout the program for continued abstinence and improved academic achievement with applause, high fives, movie passes, and gift cards. On September 2, 2015, they will be honored with Pomp and Circumstances at a ceremony to be held in the Friends' Auditorium, Detroit Public Library Main Branch on Woodward in Detroit.

Justice David F. Viviano of the Michigan Supreme Court will deliver remarks and join the Third Circuit Court Chief Judge Robert J. Colombo, Jr., Presiding Judge Virgil C. Smith, and Judge Karen Braxton congratulating the 2015 September S.T.A.N.D. graduates. Many Commissioners and state legislators have also confirmed that they will be in attendance to acknowledge the graduates and the success of the S.T.A.N.D. program.

Advisory: Press and Media are invited to attend the graduation. Judge Karen Braxton will be available for interviews at 4pm in the Detroit Library 's Friends Auditorium and may be reached at (313) 833-1776 for additional information about the S.T.A.N.D. Program. Audio and video recordings of the ceremony and youth participants are not permitted.



The Third Judicial Circuit is the largest circuit court in Michigan with three operating divisions. The Third Circuit Court has jurisdiction over Civil, Criminal, and Family matters arising in the County of Wayne. The National Center for State Courts has cited the Third Circuit Court as one of the model urban courts in the United States for case flow management and the timely disposition of the Court's docket. For more information, visit www.3rdcc.org.