

My Trip to the Courthouse

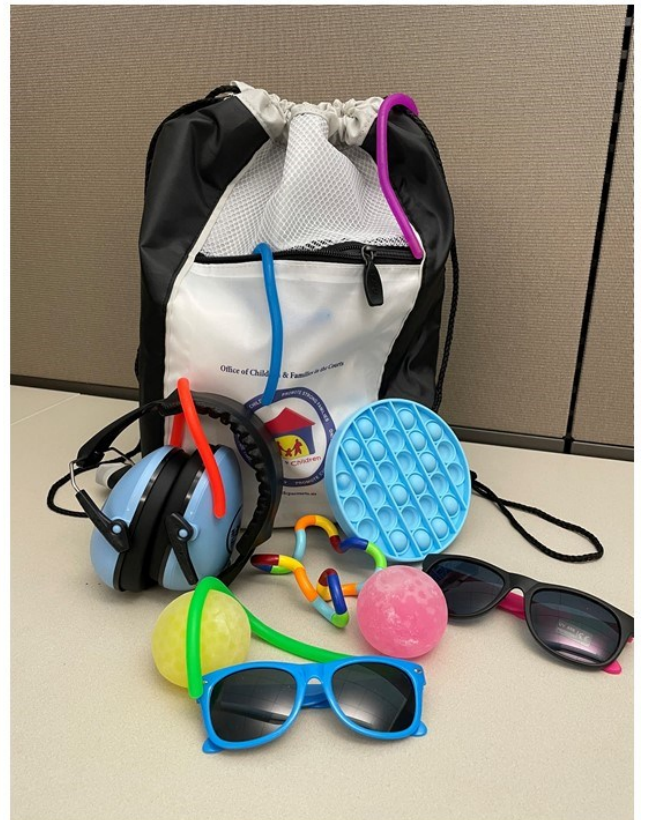
Dauphin County

Getting Ready to Leave for Court

Before we leave for court, I may want to pack a bag in case I have to wait a long time to see the Judge.

I might want to take a fidget or a snack.

The courthouse might also be loud. I should pack my noise reduction headphones.



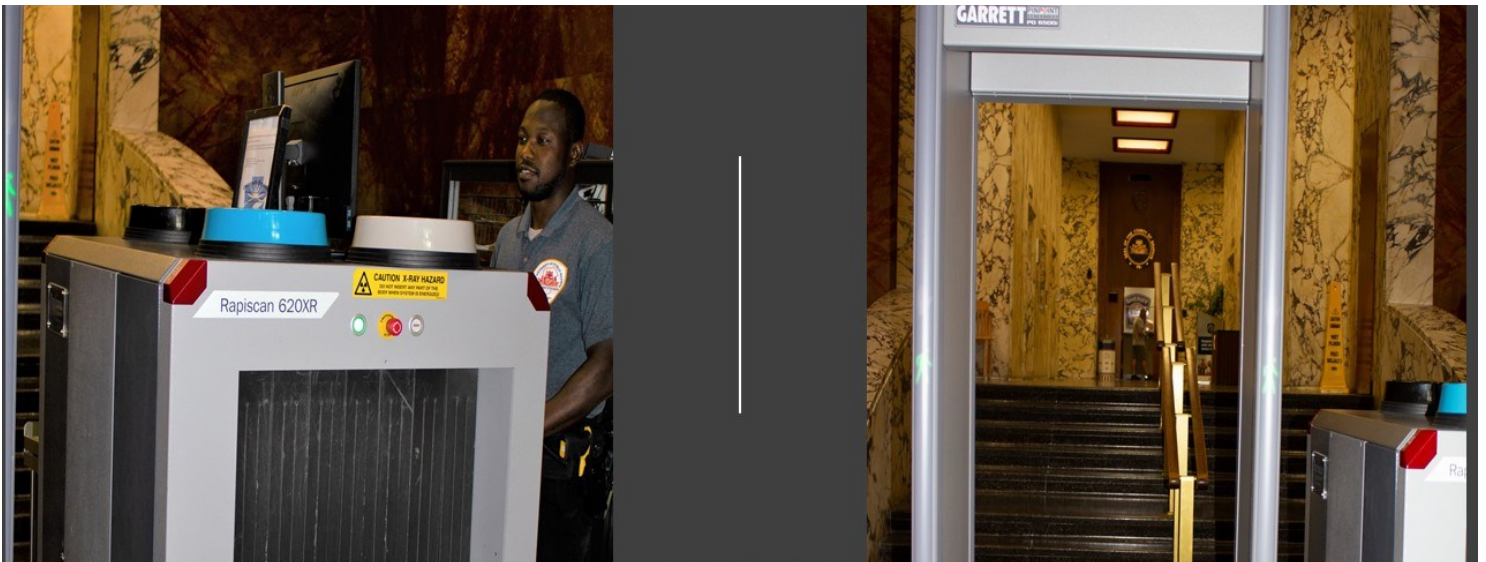
The Courthouse



Arriving at the Courthouse

When we get to the courthouse, we will have to go through large doors to get inside the courthouse.





SECURITY

Once we are inside the courthouse; we will need to go through security. They may look through my bag and put it through a machine. This is okay! Security helps keep everyone safe. I want to be safe too!



Walking to the Courtroom

We will walk through the hallway to get to our courtroom. There might be a lot of people and noise in the hallway.

We will need to ride the elevator to get to my courtroom. It is a very short ride, so it will be okay.



Waiting Area

We may have to wait outside the courtroom until we are invited inside.

That is because the courthouse is busy, and everyone is taking their time to make careful decisions.

It is important to stay with my _____ (mom/dad/caseworker/GAL/grown-up).

If I have to go to the bathroom, I just need to ask the grown-up with me.



Inside the Courtroom

When we are invited into the courtroom, I will see a lot of people. I will be asked to sit in a special spot. The judge will sit at the front of the courtroom. The judge will want to see me and ask me questions. That is because the judge wants to know me!

Leaving the Courthouse

We will have to wait for the _____
(car/bus/train) to pick us up when we leave
the courthouse.

It will be noisy on the street. There are lots of
cars and people.

I need to remember to stay with my _____
(mom/dad/caseworker/grown-up).

