

THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA



FUTURE AUSA PROGRAM

Youth + Law: Expanding Horizons, Inspiring Justice



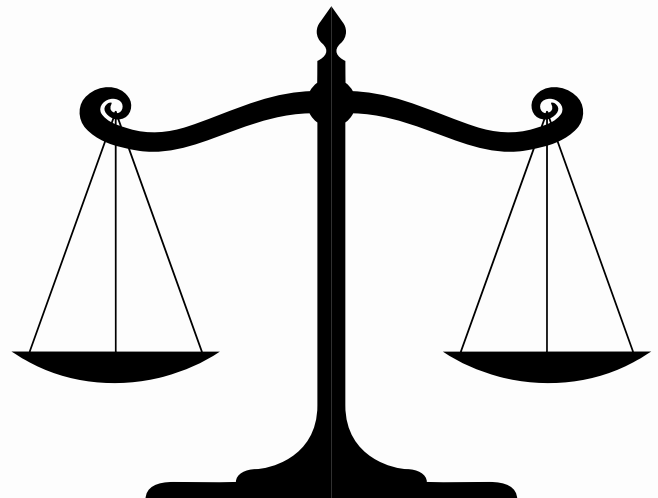
This week-long program offers an immersive experience for high school students to learn about what it's like to be an Assistant U.S. Attorney, observe court cases, and meet key federal law enforcement leaders. Join us for a transformative week preparing you for a future in criminal justice.

July 20-24, 2026

From 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
615 Chestnut Street, 8th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19106

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

1. What is the age range for participants in the program?

Participants must be between the ages of 13 and 17, currently enrolled in 9th to 12th grade, and have at least one year of high school left after completing the program.

2. Are there any location restrictions?

Yes. Participants must reside within the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The eligible counties include Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Northampton, Montgomery, and Philadelphia.

3. What does this program cost?

This program is free to all participants.

4. Will transportation be provided?

No, transportation to and from the program will not be provided. Participants are responsible for their own transportation arrangements.

5. Will meals be provided?

Students will be provided with snacks in the morning and afternoon. However, they are welcome to bring additional food if needed.

6. Is prior legal knowledge or experience required to participate?

No, prior legal knowledge or experience is not required. The program is designed to provide an introductory understanding of the federal legal system and is open to students with a general interest in the field of criminal justice.

WHERE & WHEN

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9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**615 CHESTNUT STREET
8TH FLOOR
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106**

Leadership is developed, not inherent, and the Future AUSA program furthers student leadership skills in schools, communities, and other areas. Embark on your journey to lead!"

**—Anthony DellaRocca, Class of 2025 &
Ambassador**

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FUTURE AUSA?

**TO REGISTER,
EMAIL A COMPLETED
APPLICATION TO:**

USAPAE.OUTREACH@USDOJ.GOV

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Thank you for joining the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the Future Assistant United States Attorney Program! We're looking forward to meeting our future AUSAs soon. In the meantime, we'd like to share some important logistical information with you.

Where and when?

The program will start promptly at 9 AM and end promptly at 2 PM. Students will meet in the lobby of the U.S. Attorney's Office at 615 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106. A staff member will be in the lobby to assist with arrivals and dismissals.

What is the dress code?

The dress code is business casual. This means NO jeans, shorts, athletic wear, t-shirts, tank tops or overly casual tops, flip-flops or sandals, and no graphic. No hats inside of the building.

What should I do when I arrive?

There will be a staff member in the lobby to greet and check students in each morning. Students will then need to go through a security checkpoint with metal detectors. Each student will need a valid photo ID (school ID is allowed). The security line can get long, so please arrive by 8:45AM to ensure a prompt start each day.

Are cell phones allowed?

Cell phone use will not be permitted during sessions. Students may have their cell phone in their bag while attending the program, but the phone must be turned off.

What should I bring?

Students should bring a backpack, notebook, and a pen/pencil. Students are permitted (but not required) to take notes with their personal tablet or laptop, as long as it does not cause distraction.

Will breaks be provided?

Yes, students will have breaks between program sessions. Snacks will be provided during those breaks. There will also be designated bathroom breaks, but students can go when needed.

Can I drive myself to the program?

Students with a valid driver's license are permitted to drive themselves if they wish to do so. There is a parking lot attached to 615 Chestnut Street. The parking fee is \$16 for those who arrive before 10AM. Please be aware that the parking lot fills up fast. There are several other lots close by, as well as very limited street parking.

What happens if I'm running late?

If a student is running late, they should call a staff member. If a student arrives after 9:30AM, they will not be permitted to join the day's session.

Can I leave the building during the day?

Students will not be permitted to leave the premises during the day without their parent/guardian's permission. Students will only be released to their pre-designated parent/guardian.

What if I need to miss a full day?

If a student needs to miss a full day of the program, they should inform the U.S. Attorney's Office staff as soon as possible. Students will only be permitted to attend the rest of the program if their absence was for medical reasons with appropriate documentation.

Content Warning

During program sessions, we want to give our students as realistic an understanding of the federal legal system as possible. As a result, some discussions may touch on sensitive subject matter. Students will be advised to keep discussions respectful, and to let a member of staff know if they need a break.