

## MEDINA COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

**Probate and Juvenile Divisions** 93 Public Square, Room 104, Medina, Ohio 44256

**KEVIN W. DUNN** Judge

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## Medina County Juvenile Detention Center Hosts First Family Day for Employees

MEDINA – The Medina County Juvenile Detention Center (MCJDC) currently has 33 employees, some who rotate working 12-hour long shifts. It can be a stressful job at times, not only for the employees, but for the families who worry about their loved-one working in a correctional facility.

"It's a unique line of work so we wanted to give the family members of our employees the opportunity to see firsthand where they spend so much of their time," said Ron Stollar, Superintendent of the MCJDC.

Approximately 50 people attended Family Day September 20 at the detention facility. They had an opportunity to speak with Stollar and administrative staff, meet fellow employees, and tour the common areas of the facility. Because Juvenile Court records are confidential, the tour was conducted while the residents were in their cells and family members were not able to see or interact with the youth.

To provide some additional insight about the facility, the family members took a true or false quiz regarding the rules residents must follow while detained. Those rules include no contact with boyfriends or girlfriends, no television or radio, minimal talking, and generic toiletries. Stollar explained that although the rules may seem strict, they are necessary to maintain the safety record that the MCJDC has consistently upheld.

"We wanted to provide this opportunity so family members could see the inner workings and that we run a safe operation," Stollar said. "We also wanted to acknowledge that our safety record is provided in large part to the amazing work of their loved ones who work here. It was a way to show our appreciation to them."

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