

Civil Citation Initiative Description:

1. Eligible juvenile misdemeanor offenders are afforded the opportunity to participate in The Miami Dade County Civil Citation Initiative. Participation is voluntary and the eligibility criteria is as follows:
 - a. All first and second time misdemeanor cases.
 - b. All second misdemeanor cases if the first referral is closed and the youth is not under the supervision of The Department of Juvenile Justice or other Diversion initiative.
 - c. Third misdemeanor cases will not be accepted into the Civil Citation Initiative and an arrest affidavit must be given to the youth.

Excluded Charges:

1. Ineligible for Civil Citation Initiative:
 - Any misdemeanor that involves the possession/use of a firearm
 - Any misdemeanor that involves exposure of sexual organ or other sexual related behavior (i.e. prostitution, lewd and lascivious behavior)
 - Any misdemeanor that is directly related to (or part of) gang activity
2. Potentially eligible with approval of victim/family and SAO:
 - Battery
 - Assault
 - Weapon possession cases (non-firearm)
 - Animal Cruelty
3. Graffiti / Criminal Mischief cases will require 40 hours of community service and restitution to the victim.