

What happens at visitation?

FIRST: Check in.

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Check in at the gatehouse. Check-in starts 10 minutes before your scheduled visit time.
- 2

You will have to show photo ID and clear a metal detector before going inside. Any items you bring will go through an x-ray machine. This is to make sure that you, your youth, and everyone inside is safe.

SECOND: Enjoy your visit!

Most visits happen in MacLaren’s visitation center. Visitors and youth sit together at tables.

We have a small play area available for children. The child’s parent or guardian needs to be with them and supervising them at all times.



Important things to remember:

Please review our clothing rules inside this brochure to make sure your clothing is appropriate before you arrive. This will save you time at check-in and allow you to start your visit quicker.

Be respectful to staff, youth, and other visitors. This includes following staff directions, using appropriate language, and not talking with other youth or families, other than a casual greeting. We work hard to create a positive, family-friendly environment at visitation. We want everyone to feel that they are safe, their privacy is respected, and they can enjoy their visit without disruptions.

Please limit physical contact with your youth to a short embrace at the beginning and end of the visit. Again, this is to make sure visiting is a positive, family-friendly experience for everyone.





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Visiting Information

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Visits are an important way for the youth in our custody to stay connected with family. This guide will help you know the rules so that you can visit safely, comfortably, and without disruption.

Request to be on your youth’s OYA Approved Visitor List:

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Turn in a Request to Visit form. You can get this form from our staff or online at: oregon.gov/oia/macLaren.

Please turn in the form at least two weeks **before** you visit, so that we have time to process your request.
- 2

OYA uses the information on your form to do a criminal background check. If you have an arrest or conviction, it does not always mean you cannot come into the facility — it depends on your situation. If you have an active warrant, we will not let you inside.
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If you are approved, we will put you on your youth’s OYA Approved Visitor List. We cannot let anyone visit who is not on this list. Once you’re approved, you can schedule a visit.

If you’re already on your youth’s OYA Approved Visitor List:

Once you are approved, you are ready to schedule a visit!

When is visiting time?

Each living unit has a specific time when they can have visitors. Ask your youth’s case coordinator for the schedule.

Visits must be scheduled in advance. Contact your youth’s case coordinator to schedule a visit.

Who is allowed to visit?

- **Typically, family members and other supportive people** may visit once they are approved.
- **For youth living in Noble and Maple:** Only parents or guardians may visit.
- **Children younger than 18** may visit with approval. They must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times.
- **Youth may have up to three visitors at a time.**

Are any youth not able to have visits?

If your youth is in medical isolation with illness due to a respiratory virus, they may not have visits. If your youth is exposed to the virus and does not have symptoms, they may be required to wear a mask during visitation so others are not exposed.

Check with your youth’s case coordinator for more information.

What to bring, what not to bring, and what to wear



You may bring these items inside our facility:



Current photo ID
(required if you are 13 or older)



Vehicle key and remote



Mask/face covering



Feminine hygiene products
(no more than 5)



Life-sustaining medicine for yourself, such as an inhaler
(must be in original container or box with prescription label)



Basic items for an infant, such as diapers or a bottle with formula
➤ Nursing mothers: talk with visitation staff about options.



You may NOT bring these items inside our facility:

They can cause safety and security issues, and they can potentially harm a youth's treatment.



Weapons or potential weapons



Cell phones and mp3 players



Purses, briefcases or backpacks



Wallets



Cameras or audio/video recorders



Laptops, flash drives, or anything that connects to the internet



Tobacco, marijuana, and vaping products
(not allowed anywhere on the MacLaren grounds)



Prescription drugs, unless they are life-sustaining



Illegal drugs or paraphernalia



Money
(money for youth must be mailed)



Food or drinks



Water bottles



Packages or pictures
(must be mailed; not allowed at all for youth in Maple, Noble, and Summit)



Please do NOT wear these items:

They can cause safety and security issues, and they can potentially harm a youth's treatment. If OYA staff think your clothing is disruptive or inappropriate, we will not let you into MacLaren.



Low-cut shirts or shirts that reveal your lower back or undergarments



Short shorts



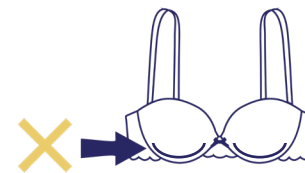
Short skirts



Sleeveless shirts, spaghetti strap shirts, and tank tops



Clothing that is torn in inappropriate places



Bras with an underwire
(these may set off the metal detector)



Watches



Fanny packs, money belts, or belts with compartments



Hats, beanies, or other headwear (if you need a religious head covering, talk with your youth's case coordinator before coming to visit)



Professional or college sports team logos
(sometimes these can be gang-related)



Messages that promote drugs, tobacco, alcohol, violence, pornography, nudity, gangs, or prejudice, or are demeaning to others

Important!

It is a Class C felony to provide contraband items to youth in custody or to bring those items into an OYA facility without authorization. (ORS 162.185)

All personal items you bring into our facility are subject to search by our staff.

Why are there so many rules?

We want to make sure that you, your young person, our staff, and all the youth in our facility are safe. We are trying to create a positive, family-friendly environment at visitation. These rules help us keep everyone safe while allowing you to have your visit without disruption.