Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services

2022 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center

701 S. Berkley Rd.

Kokomo, In 46901

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On-Site Inspection Dates: May 10, 2022 and September 22, 2022

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**INTRODUCTION**

The 2022 annual juvenile detention facility audits conducted by the IDOC, Division of Youth Services included two on-site facility inspections, staff and youth interviews, and a file review of 2021 documents of the state detention standards.

Detention facilities were audited on the three hundred and one (301) enacted Indiana Juvenile Detention Facility Standards.  Since new, proposed standards were in the process of being promulgated, detention facilities had the option of submitting documentation under the enacted citations for the three hundred and one (301) standards or the corresponding two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed standards.

Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center chose to provide documentation corresponding to the two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed juvenile detention facility standards in 2022, for their 26th annual detention inspection.  Of the two hundred and thirty-seven (237) standards audited, sixteen (16) standards require mandatory compliance and the remaining two hundred and twenty-one (221) are recommended standards.  Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards and 90% of the recommended standards is required to attain “Full Compliance.” Again, Centers that chose to be audited on the proposed detention standards were only required to meet the expectation of the current detention standards. Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center chose to also provide documentation on the extra standards with exclusively new requirements.  The breakdown of each audit listed below is only reflective of the current standards.

**FACILITY INFORMATION**

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| **Facility county:** | Howard |
| **Governing authority:** | Judge Circuit Court |
| **Name of facility administrator:** | Jeffrey Lipinski |
| **Detention Director:** | Jeffrey Lipinski |
| **Detention facility’s mission:** | |  | | --- | | The Howard Circuit Court, Robert J Kinsey Youth Center, is established to provide short-term secure and non-secure emergency shelter care for juveniles who are ordered detained or sheltered by the court through wardship. These services will be provided through secure and non-emergency shelter care at both the pre and post adjudicatory stages and throughout wardship and post dispositional secure commitments. | |
| **Rated capacity:** | 20 |
| **Population during on-site visits:** | 10 and 8 |
| **Average daily population for the last 12 months:** | 10 |
| **Average length of stay for the last 12 months:** | 25 days |
| **Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings):** | New blankets and mattresses purchased and maintenance painted post side. |
| **Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system):** | None |
| **De-escalation techniques training:** | Crisis Prevention Interventions (CPI) |
| **Physical force techniques training:** | Crisis Prevention Interventions (CPI) |
| **Chemical agents permitted:** | Yes |
| **Name of food service provider:** | Meals are prepared in-house. |
| **Name of food service supervisor:** | Michelle Allen |
| **Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | Linda Sardin, RN  Danielle Pingleton, LPN |
| **Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | Mary K. Cates-Cullison, LCSW, LCAC |
| **Education Services:** | Services are provided by Kokomo School Corporation, which provides 1 licensed teacher and 1 degreed teacher for 35 hours per week. Youth receive instruction through Plato Virtual School, exchange of books and assignment’s with local school of record, as well as the Indiana High School Equivalency Test. Kinsey does not receive Title 1 funds. |

**Howard County 2022 Audit**

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| **May 10, 2022** | **Howard County First Site Visit** |
| **Inspectors** | Rachel McCaffrey, Kristin Herrmann, and Danielle Zagone |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by detention supervisor, Tracy Malone. |
| **Youth Interviews:** | Two youth were interviewed.  Youth interviews consisted of questions regarding procedure about safety, medical, mental health, programming, education, kitchen, due process, and intake. |
| **Youth Responses:** | Both youths interviewed expressed that they felt safe and heard in the facility. Each youth was asked about the intake process and stated they received all the proper items (clothing, hygiene items, etc.). Both youth said they enjoyed the education program and were receiving help when needed. |
| **Staff Interviews:** | Two youth were interviewed.  Youth interviews consisted of questions regarding procedure about safety, medical, mental health, programming, education, kitchen, due process, and intake. |
| **Staff Responses:** | Both staff were well versed in proper emergency protocols and what actions to take in the event of a fire/need for a full evacuation. Both staff were versed in the intake process and talked about the required training they both received in all areas but focusing on suicide prevention and safety. |

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| **September 22, 2022** | **Howard County Second Site Visit** |
| **Inspectors** | Rachel McCaffrey and Kristin Herrmann |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by detention supervisor, Tracy Malone. |
| **Youth Interviews:** | Two youth were interviewed.  Youth interviews consisted of questions regarding procedure about safety, medical, mental health, programming, education, kitchen, due process, and intake. |
| **Youth Responses:** | Both youth stated that they felt safe in the facility and that the staff were fair. They both were asked if they received a handbook with the facility’s rules and expectation and stated that they had received it and understood the rules. If they ever needed a refresher there is a copy on each unit available for their use. |

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| **Auditor(s): Kristin Herrmann** | **Howard County Standards Audit** |
| **Administration and Management**  **Standards** | * Sixty-Two Total Standards, 62 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 61 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 1 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Administration and Management Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Safety Standards** | * Thirty-Four Total Standards, 6 Mandatory and 28 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 34 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Safety Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Security Standards** | * Twenty-Three Total Standards, 23 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 23 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Security Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Justice and Order Standards** | * Thirty-Seven Total Standards, 37 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 27 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 10 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Justice and Order Standards:* | *8-6-12, 8-6-13, 8-6-14, 8-6-15, 8-6-16, 8-6-17, 8-6-18, 8-6-19, 8-6-20, 8-6-21: Noncompliant due to Due Process not offered to detention youth.* |
| **Food Service and Hygiene** | * Nineteen Total Standards, 3 Mandatory and 16 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 19 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Food Service and Hygiene Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Medical Standards** | * Twenty-Eight Total Standards, 7 Mandatory and 21 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 28 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Medical Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Mental Health Standards** | * Six Total Standards, 6 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 6 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Mental Health Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Programs and Services Standards** | * Twenty Total Standards, 20 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 19 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Programs and Services Standards:* | *8-10-13: Noncompliant due to large muscle activity and structured leisure time not consistently offered to youth.* |
| **Education Standards** | * Six Total Standards, 6 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 6 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Education Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |

Was the facility required to implement a corrective action plan as a result of the audit? **NO**/YES

**CONCLUSION**

Robert J Kinsey Youth Center chose to be audited on the proposed standards, which corresponds with the current (301) detention standards and received a score of 100% compliance with the mandatory standards and 94.95% of the recommended standards.

**The facility received a separate scoresheet indicating their level of compliance with the new proposed detention standards.**

Therefore, Robert J Kinsey Youth Center is in compliance with the 2022 Indiana Detention Center Standards Audit performed by the Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services.

A certificate of compliance will accompany this report, which becomes public information ten (10) days from the date of mailing

Please contact me at (812) 929-3980 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Honorable Lynn Murray, Circuit Court

Mary Cates-Cullison, Director

pursuant to 210 IAC 8-1-5(f)

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