

Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services 2016 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center
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Inspection Date: May 25, 2016

Subsequent Visit Date(s): February 19, 2016
April 25, 2016

Technical Assistance Date(s): January 25, 2016
May 17, 2016

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INTRODUCTION

The new Indiana Juvenile Detention Standards are in the process of being adopted, therefore the 15th annual evaluation of the Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center consisted of an audit of the current 26 mandatory compliance standards or the corresponding 16 newly proposed mandatory compliance standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards is required to attain “Full Compliance”.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county	Jackson
Governing authority	Jackson Superior Court II
Name of facility administrator	Steve Redicker
Detention facility’s mission	To provide a temporary, secure, safe and caring facility for youth who require secure detention for their own protection or that of the community.
Rated capacity	28
Population on date of audit	17

Average daily population for the last 12 months	20
Average length of stay for the last 12 months	9 days
Year the building was built	2001 opening date
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings)	Touch up painting of cells and purchase 10 new mattress
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system)	None
De-escalation techniques training	Verbal Judo
Physical force techniques training	Therapeutic Crisis Intervention
Chemical agents permitted	No
Name of food service provider	Jackson County Sheriff Department
Name of food service supervisor	Jail staff
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Advanced Correctional Health
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification	Christopher and Associates

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 26 MANDATORY STANDARDS

Auditors	Chance Sweat and Laurie Elliott
File Review of the 26 mandatory standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable, and zero (0) mandatory standards were found to be non-compliant. • Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center was in compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards.
Facility Tour	The facility's sanitation was above average, and the residents' furniture was functional and in good condition.
Youth Interviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four youth, two females and two males, all with three or more previous detention stays, were interviewed about their experiences at the Center. • All youth reported without hesitation that they felt safe at the facility. • Youth did not provide complaints or recommendations.
Recommendations	None

SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCED AND/OR UNANNOUNCED VISIT(S)

On 2/19/2016, a subsequent visit was conducted of the Jackson County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Asst. Director Scarlett. Youth were observed participating in education classes under direct supervision of detention staff. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and the sanitation level in the facility was above average.

On 4/25/2016, a second subsequent visit was conducted of the Jackson County Juvenile Center by Chance Sweat. The facility tour was conducted by Director Redicker. Youth were observed participating in education classes under direct supervision of Asst. Director Scarlett and detention staff. The facility population count was 18. All youth appeared to be in good health. All areas of the facility appeared to be well-maintained, and the sanitation level in the facility was above average.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE VISIT(S)

The Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center's education technical assistance visit occurred on 1/25/16 and was conducted by Kristin Herrmann. The education program operates year round with instructional days of four hours. Instruction is delivered via an on-site, licensed classroom teacher either utilizing a curriculum created at the facility, overseeing an approved online instructional program, facilitating work assigned from the juvenile's home school, or implementing TASC readiness materials. The method of instruction depends on the juvenile's need. Program staff includes two full-time detention administrators who are also licensed to teach.

The Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center's training and development technical assistance visit occurred on 5/17/16 and was conducted by Kristin Herrmann. The technical assistance provided included identifying key changes to the standards, answering questions, and discussing the facility's training plan.

CONCLUSION

Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center is in full compliance with the 2016 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 (317) 607-6507 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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