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INTRODUCTION

The 2018 annual juvenile detention facility evaluations conducted by the IDOC, Division of Youth Services consisted of three on-site facility inspections; staff and youth interviews; and an audit of the state detention standards. The new Indiana Juvenile Detention Facility Standards are in the process of being adopted. Detention Facilities had the option to be audited utilizing the all of the current detention standards or the corresponding two hundred and one (201) specifically selected proposed new juvenile detention facility standards.

Dickinson Juvenile Justice Center chose to be audited on the two hundred and one (201) new juvenile detention facility standards in 2018, for their 22nd annual detention inspection. Of the two hundred and one (201) standards audited, sixteen (16) standards require mandatory compliance and the remaining one hundred and eighty-five (185) are recommended standards. Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards and 90% of the recommended standards is required to attain "Full Compliance". Centers that chose to

be audited on the proposed detention standards were only required to meet the expectations of the current detention standards.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility county:	Johnson
Governing authority:	Circuit Court
Name of facility administrator:	Kristi Bruther
Detention Director:	Kristi Bruther
Detention facility's mission:	To provide a safe, secure and humane detention environment that protects the community while respecting the right of the individual.
Rated capacity:	48
Population on date of first audit:	9
Average daily population for the last 12 months:	11.35
Average length of stay for the last 12 months:	17.47 days
Year the building was built:	1991
Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings):	N/A
Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system):	N/A
De-escalation techniques training:	Yes, not specified
Physical force techniques training:	Yes, not specified
Chemical agents permitted:	No
Name of food service provider:	Dickinson Juvenile Detention Center
Name of food service supervisor:	Heather Titara
Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:	Dr. Bullington
Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:	Adult and Child Mental Health
Education Services:	Juveniles are in class for 6 hours a day supervised by 1 licensed teachers and 1 permanent substitute. Students receive work from their school of record in order to maintain credits or are enrolled in an online credit recovery program (APEX) or studying (TASC). The center does not offer a remedial reading program.

INSPECTION FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 201 DETENTION STANDARDS

Standards:	<u>Safety; Security; and Food Service & Hygiene</u>
On-site Visit conducted 8/22/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Sixty (60) Total Standards audited</u> • Nine (9) mandatory standards • Fifty-one (51) recommended standards • Two (2) standards were identified as non-applicable. • Zero (0) mandatory standards were left open for further action. • Zero (0) recommended standards were left open for further action.
Auditors:	Angela Sutton and Kristin Herrmann
Facility Tour:	The tour was conducted by Director Kristi Bruther. The center was clean, orderly, and well-maintained. The youth were in their rooms during the tour.
Youth Interviews:	<p>Two (2) youth were interviewed, 1 female and 1 male.</p> <p>Youth interviews consisted of questions regarding facility safety and sanitation, living area temperatures, emergency and sick call procedures, staff supervision, restraint use, food allergies and food quality.</p>
Youth Responses:	<p>Both youth reported feeling safe at the facility. Both youth reported that the facility is clean and that there are not bugs or vermin. One youth reported that the temperatures in the living and sleeping areas are comfortable; however, the youth also reported that others complain about the temperatures being too cold or too warm. The other youth reported that it is too cold sometimes. Both youth reported going through a fire drill since being at the facility, and both were knowledgeable of the procedures. Both youth stated they were aware of how to obtain medical care at the facility. Both youth reported they receive 3 meals a day, with at least 2 being hot meals. Both youth stated the food is good. Both youth stated they receive clean underclothes every day and clean outer clothes 3 times a week. Neither youth had been placed in restraints since being at the facility, been in a fight or placed in isolation. Neither youth had any suggestions on how the facility could be improved.</p> <p>Youth comments were shared with facility administrators.</p>
Staff Interviews:	Three (3) staff were interviewed: (1) Control room operator/line staff, (1) Line staff, and Food Service Supervisor.

	<p>Security Staff interviews consisted of questions regarding emergency and count procedures, handling toxic chemicals, sanitation procedures, log documentation, transportation procedures, restraint procedures and distribution of clean linen, clothing and hygiene items.</p> <p>Food service staff interviews consisted of questions regarding menu compliance/deviation, weekly kitchen inspection, production log, meal times, medical exam and re-exam of kitchen staff and daily wellness monitoring of kitchen staff.</p>
Staff Responses:	<p>Security staff reported that temperatures in the living units are comfortable. Youth do not handle chemicals, and there are no toxic chemicals on the pod. Fire drills are completed monthly. Staff was not aware of how to evacuate handicapped youth. Restraints are approved by supervisors and are only used with violent youth, and are removed once the youth calms down. Youth are assessed by medical only if an injury occurs as a result of restraint use or if they request to see medical. Youth receive 1 shower a day and can “wash up” and change their shirt and reapply deodorant if requested following strenuous exercise.</p> <p>Food Service Supervisor reported that if there is a need for a meal substitution, it is documented on the menu and the item is substituted for a similar item. The food service head cook, who has received Serve Safe and additional training online, performs the weekly sanitation inspection. Religious diets must be approved by the Assistant Director. All kitchen staff receive a physical upon hire and are checked daily by a center supervisor for any visible illness. Custody staff remain in the dining area with the youth while they are dining.</p>
Non-compliant Standards:	All standards were found compliant.
Action Plan:	None at this time.

<p>On-site Visit conducted</p> <p>8-22-18</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Forty (50) Total Standards audited</u> • Seven (7) mandatory standards • Forty-three (43) recommended standards • Zero (0) Standards were identified as non-applicable. • Zero (0) mandatory standards were left open for further action. • Zero (0) recommended standard was left open for further action.
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Facility Tour:	The facility tour was conducted by Director Kristi Bruther.
Youth Interviews:	Two (2) youth were interviewed, one (1) male and one (1) female. The youth were asked questions regarding their intake/orientation process, rules, reward system, attorney contact, grievances, and mental

	health/medical responsiveness.
Youth Responses:	<p>One youth reported being allowed to make a phone call to notify their parents within 24 hours of arrival. The other youth declined to answer the question. Both youth stated they completed an orientation in which they were informed of the programs provided by the detention center. Both youth reported receiving medical, dental and mental health screenings during intake. Both youth stated the rules are fair. Both youth reported they are allowed to receive visits and make phone calls to their guardians; however, neither youth had received visits. One youth reported that they speak with their parents almost every night, and the other reported 3 x's a week. Both youth reported that they are allowed to write letters to their families. They are given one free stamp, and they have the opportunity to purchase more stamps. One youth reported that there is a facility reward system for positive behavior; the other youth was not sure if there was a reward system. Both youth reported that they are allowed to and are aware of how to contact their attorney. Both youth reported that they have never filed a grievance, and one youth was aware that there was an appeal process. Both youth reported that they know how to contact medical and have received medical care while at the facility. Both youth reported that they have never feared for their safety while in the facility. Neither youth has been involved in any fights while at the facility. When asked if there was anything that could be done to improve the facility, one youth reported the need for thicker mattresses. This same youth also reported that he would rather stay at the facility than go to rehab because staff are nice, will sit down and talk to youth, and reward for good behavior.</p>
Staff Interviews:	Administrator, line staff, visiting, intake, were interviewed. Medical staff was not onsite at the time of the audit.
Staff Responses:	<p>Mail room- Both line staff interviewed were unsure of the legal correspondence policy.</p> <p>Intake Officer –Youth are provided a student handbook, and there are bilingual staff employed by the facility. Staff reviews the orientation information and reads the information, as well as the MAYSI, to youth who have literacy issues. Medical, mental health and dental screenings are conducted by intake staff; however, the staff are not health care trained to conduct the screening.</p> <p>Administrator- Standing orders are reviewed, as needed, by the health care authority. Medical, dental and mental health emergencies are sent to the local ER for treatment. Youth are asked every morning if they have any medical issues that need to be addressed.</p>
Non-compliant Standards:	All standards are compliant.

Recommended Action:	None at this time.
On-site Visit conducted 10-16-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fifty-one (51) Total Standards audited • Zero (0) mandatory standards • Fifty-one (51) recommended standards • Three (3) standards were identified as non-applicable. • Zero (0) recommended standards were left open for further action.
Auditors:	Angela Sutton and Kristin Herrmann
Facility Tour:	Facility tour was conducted by Director Bruther.
Youth Interviews:	Two (2) youth were interviewed during this visit, one (1) male and one (1) female. The youth were asked questions regarding intake, personal property, orientation materials, indoor/outdoor recreation, education, and leisure activities.
Youth Responses:	Both youth reported that they were searched upon admission. Both reported their personal property was listed on a property sheet and was stored. One youth received a shower, but the other had an injury that prohibited them from showering. Both youth were given clean clothing in their size and were allowed to contact their guardian. Both youth reported that they receive an hour of large muscle movement every day. One youth reported that they go outside almost every day when it is warm. Some activities that they perform during rec are SPARK Rec, Yoga, volleyball, and badminton. Both youth felt the facility meets their religious needs. Youth reported they are allowed to check out books from the facility library and are allowed to keep the book for a week. Both youth reported that they “like” the education program, and one youth reported earning credits. Both youth stated that staff are good role models and neither has ever feared for their safety while at the facility. When asked what could be done to improve the facility, one youth stated “a level system” and “more freedom”.
Staff Interviews:	Administrator, training coordinator, Intake officer, education and recreation
Staff Responses:	All staff responses were consistent with policy.
Non-compliant Standards:	All standards are compliant.
Recommended Action:	Implement a remedial reading program for youth who do not have a home school.

Standards:	<u>Administration; Security; and Justice & Order</u>
File Review Only 10-25-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Forty (40) Total Standards audited</u> • Zero (0) mandatory standards • Forty (40) recommended standards • Zero (0) standards were identified as non-applicable. • Zero (0) recommended standards were left open for further action.
Auditors:	Angela Sutton and Kristin Herrmann
Non-compliant Standards:	All standards are compliant.
Recommended Action:	None

Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) – Conditions of Confinement, Facility Self-Assessment-Ensuring safe and humane conditions of confinement for youth held in secure juvenile detention facilities is one of the Eight Core Strategies in JDAI.

Johnson County Juvenile Detention Center participated in a Conditions of Confinement, Facility Self-Assessment and development of an Improvement Plan during this audit cycle.

CONCLUSION

Dickinson Juvenile Justice Center/Juvenile Detention is in full compliance with the 2018 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) 914-7347 should you have any questions concerning this report.
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