Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services

2022 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



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Lawrenceburg, IN 47025

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On-Site Inspection Dates: May 11, 2022 and October 20, 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.

Dearborn County Juvenile 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. Dearborn County Juvenile 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:** | Dearborn |
| **Governing authority:** | Dearborn County Juvenile Center |
| **Name of facility administrator:** | Traci Agner |
| **Detention Director:** | Traci Agner |
| **Detention facility’s mission:** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The Dearborn County Juvenile Center has been established for the protection and detention of youth in the least restrictive alternative of care. Specifically, the juvenile center shall provide for the juveniles basic needs, such as shelter, food, clothing and medical care. The Dearborn County Juvenile Center shall also prevent the abridgment of the juvenile’s legal rights during his/her detainment at the facility and provide for physical, emotional, religious, educational and social needs of juveniles during detainment. Juveniles will be housed in a safe, secure and humane environment. The Dearborn County Juvenile Center will also maintain the level of security necessary with the Juvenile Center to prevent and assure that juveniles live free of fear from assaults or intimidation by staff or other juveniles. | | | |
| **Rated capacity:** | 20 |
| **Population during on-site visits:** | 6 and 4 |
| **Average daily population for the last 12 months:** |  |
| **Average length of stay for the last 12 months:** | days |
| **Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings):** | None |
| **Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system):** | None |
| **De-escalation techniques training:** | No specific curriculum used currently |
| **Physical force techniques training:** | Aikido Control Training (A.C.T.) |
| **Chemical agents permitted:** | No |
| **Name of food service provider:** | Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center |
| **Name of Food Service Supervisor:** | Kathy Prarat – Jail Matron |
| **Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | Dr David Dobbs, M.D. – 2 hours a week/contract  Ron Phillips, RN – 3 hours a week/contract |
| **Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | Melissa Hughes, MSW, LCSW – 2 hours a week |
| **Education Services:** | Residents receive all work through their home school districts. Credit recovery is also provided through Plato. |

**Dearborn County 2022 Audit**

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| **May 11, 2022** | **Dearborn County First Site Visit** |
| **Auditors:** | Rachel McCaffrey, Kristin Herrmann, and Danielle Zagone |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by the facility director, Traci Agner. |
| **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 reported that the facility was clean and that they were comfortable. They had no concerns with the facilities, but did express that the food isn’t always good and sometimes cold. Their concerns over food were passed along to the director. |
| **Staff Interviews:** | Two line staff were interviewed.  Staff were interviewed over the proper procedures in areas such as safety, security, and intake process. |
| **Staff Responses:** | Both staff were able to give thorough answers regarding emergency protocols and proper storage/usage of chemicals. Both were able to explain the training they received throughout the year, including Suicide Prevention. |

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| **October 20, 2022** | **Dearborn County Second Site Visit** |
| **Auditors:** | Rachel McCaffrey and Kristin Herrmann |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by the facility director, Traci Agner. |
| **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 felt that if they had any medical needs that they were being addressed and handled in a way they could understand. |

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| **Auditor(s):**  **Rachel McCaffrey** | **Dearborn County Standards Audit** |
| **Administration and Management**  **Standards** | * Sixty-Two Total Standards, 62 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 55 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 7 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Administration and Management Standards:* | *8-3-14: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-33: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-40: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-41: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-45: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-62: File Not Submitted*  *8-3-65: File Not Submitted* |
| **Safety Standards** | * Thirty-Four Total Standards, 6 Mandatory and 28 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 30 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 3 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 1 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Safety Standards:* | *8-4-10: File Not Submitted*  *8-4-15: File Not Submitted*  *8-4-24: File Not Submitted* |
| **Security Standards** | * Twenty-Three Total Standards, 23 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 22 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Security Standards:* | *8-5-9: Identifying Numbers Not Present* |
| **Justice and Order Standards** | * Thirty-Seven Total Standards, 37 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 37 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Justice and Order Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **Food Service and Hygiene** | * Nineteen Total Standards, 3 Mandatory and 16 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 18 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 1 |
| *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: 27 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Medical Standards:* | *8-8-2: File Not Submitted* |
| **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: 20 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 0 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Programs and Services Standards:* | *Not Applicable* |
| **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**

Dearborn County Juvenile 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 94.47% of the recommended standards.

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

Therefore, Dearborn County Juvenile 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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Director of Juvenile Detention Inspections

Indiana Department of Correction/Division of Youth Services

cc: Crissy Simmons, Director of External Relations, DOC

Honorable James D. Humphrey, Circuit Court

Traci Agner, Director

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

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