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**Bruce Lemmon**  
Commissioner

June 5, 2012

The Honorable Stephen Sims, Judge  
Allen County Superior Court, Family Relations Division  
2929 Wells Street  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808

**RE: Allen County Juvenile Detention Center  
2012 Juvenile Detention Standards Inspection  
June 5, 2012**

Dear Judge Sims:

As required by 210 IAC 6, an inspection of the juvenile detention standards was conducted on June 5, 2012 at the Allen County Juvenile Detention Center. Detention Inspectors from the Indiana Department of Correction conducting the inspection were Vanessa Krause, Shannon Bowling and Esther Hinton.

The Allen County Juvenile Detention is operated by the Allen County Superior Court and is located at 2929 Wells Street, Fort Wayne Indiana. The facility was built in 2004 and accommodates 144 juveniles. Joe Brita is the Facility Superintendent.

This inspection constitutes the sixteenth annual inspection of the Allen County Juvenile Detention Center. 100% compliance with all mandatory standards and at least 90% of the recommended standards is required to attain "Full Compliance".

The inspection included a review of all mandatory and recommended standards, a tour of the facility, and detention staff and residents were interviewed. Juveniles offered no instances of abuse and no complaints about conditions were noted. Staff were well versed in policy and procedure and offered support for administration.

Summary of Tour:

- Facility was very clean and well organized.
- Facility kitchen was clean, organized with the exception of no dates on open food items in fridge. (note\* corrected)
- Many programs available to students.
- No MSDS sheets located with chemical. They were located in a central area for all of facility with quick access by phone or radio. Suggest, placing where chemicals were used.

Summary of Folders:

- Much improvement from previous inspection.
- Number bullets and correspond with numbering in document.

**Recommended Standards found to be in non-compliance:**

**Standard #                      Remarks**

**210 IAC 6**

3-4.215                      Juveniles are provided the opportunity to have three complete sets of clean clothing per week. The facility may provide this clean clothing in several ways, including access to self-serve washer facility, central clothing, or a combination of the two. (ACA-4B-10)

**Only 2 pair of pants are issued a week.**

3-4.216                      Written policy, procedure, and practice require that the facility provides for the thorough cleaning and, when necessary, disinfecting of juvenile personal clothing before storage or before allowing the juvenile to keep and wear personal clothing. (ACA-4B-11)

**Facility does not launder juvenile's personal clothing.**

3-4.261                      For juveniles being transferred to other facilities, summaries or copies of the medical history record are forwarded to the receiving facility prior to or at arrival. (ACA-4C-48)

**Need practice to prove file is transferred; suggested create form**

The facility was found to be in compliance with 100% of all mandatory standards, and 98.89% of the recommended standards. Attached is a certificate of "Full Compliance" issued to the Center. This report becomes public information ten (10) working days from the date of mailing. Please contact me at (765)720-5266 should you have any questions concerning this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Esther Hinton  
Detention Inspector

Cc: Tom Hanlon, Director, Program Review Division, IDOC  
Joe Brita, Superintendent, Allen County Juvenile Center  
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