Indiana Department of Correction, Division of Youth Services

2022 Juvenile Detention Inspection - Compliance Report



Clark County Juvenile Detention Center

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Jeffersonville, IN 47130

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On-Site Inspection Dates: April 26, 2022 and October 11, 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 two hundred ninety-nine (299) 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.

Clark County Juvenile Center chose to be audited on the current two hundred ninety-nine (299) juvenile detention facility standards in 2022, for their 26th annual detention inspection.  Of the two hundred ninety-nine (299) standards audited, twenty-six (26) standards require mandatory compliance and the remaining two hundred and seventy-five (273) are recommended standards.  Compliance with 100% of the mandatory standards and 90% of the recommended standards is required to attain “Full Compliance.”

**FACILITY INFORMATION**

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| **Facility county:** | Clark |
| **Governing authority:** | Clark County Juvenile Detention Center |
| **Name of facility administrator:** | Lyda Abell |
| **Detention Director:** | Lyda Abell |
| **Detention facility’s mission:** | To provide the protection and detention of youth in the least restrictive alternative care. It is the philosophy and goal of the detention center to provide programming that adheres to the needs of the residents including medical/hygiene, information,  Education, life skills, counseling, drug and alcohol education and religious services. The detention center is committed to providing the highest quality of detention services. |
| **Rated capacity:** | 14 |
| **Population during on-site visits:** | 20 and 14 |
| **Average daily population for the last 12 months:** | 11 |
| **Average length of stay for the last 12 months:** | 10 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:** | Safe Crisis Management (SCM) |
| **Physical force techniques training:** | Safe Crisis Management (SCM) |
| **Chemical agents permitted:** | Yes |
| **Name of food service provider:** | Clark County Jail |
| **Name of food service supervisor:** | Emmy Kraft |
| **Name of health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | Wellstone Regional Hospital |
| **Name of mental health care authority individual or agency and license/certification:** | ACP |
| **Education Services:** | |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | The educational program at the Clark County Juvenile Detention Center is provided through a teacher from the Greater Clark County Schools. The purpose is to provide students school work so they will not fall behind during their time at CCJDC. | |

**Clark County 2022 Audit**

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| **April 26, 2022** | **Clark County First Site Visit** |
| **Inspectors:** | Rachel McCaffrey, Kristin Herrmann, and Danielle Zagone |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by the assistant director, Jennifer Snawder. |
| **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:** | The youth interviewed both stated that they felt that their medical needs or concerns were taken seriously and handled in a manner that they could easily understand. Both youth said that the food was great and that they are fed at regular meal times. |
| **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 knowledgeable over their facility’s policies and procedures regarding emergency situations and the safety and security of youth. They were both able to sufficiently answer all other questions. |

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| **October 11, 2022** | **Clark County Second Site Visit** |
| **Inspectors:** | Rachel McCaffrey and Kristin Herrman |
| **Facility Tour:** | The facility tour was conducted by the assistant director, Jennifer Snawder. |
| **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 interviewed expressed feeling safe and being treated fairly and consistently by staff. They explained the intake process and how they received all necessary items; such as linens, hygiene, and clothing. Neither youth had a concern to bring to the director. |

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| **Auditor(s):**  **Kristin Herrmann**  **Rachel McCaffrey** | **Clark County Standards Audit** |
| **Administration and Management**  **Standards** | * Eighty Total Standards, 80 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 77 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 2 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Administration and Management Standards:* | *3-1.27: Documentation for proof of practice* |
| **Safety Standards** | * Fifty-Three Total Standards, 15 Mandatory and 38 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 52 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Safety Standards:* | *3-2.92: Population over capacity* |
| **Security Standards** | * Twenty-Eight Total Standards, 28 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 26 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 2 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Security Standards:* | *3-2.124: File Not Submitted*  *3-3.135: Documentation for proof of practice* |
| **Justice and Order Standards** | * Forty-Four Total Standards, 44 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 43 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Justice and Order Standards:* | *3-5.292: Documentation of youth sending outgoing mail* |
| **Food Service and Hygiene** | * Twenty-One Total Standards, 4 Mandatory and 17 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 21 * 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** | * Thirty-seven Total Standards, 7 Mandatory and 30 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 34 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 3 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Medical Standards:* | *3-4.241: File Not Provided*  *3-4.244: File Not Provided*  *3-4.247: File Not Provided* |
| **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-four Total Standards, 24 Recommended * Number of Standards in Compliance: 23 * Number of Standards in Non-Compliance: 1 * Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 |
| *Recommended Action for Non-Compliant Programs and Services Standards:* | *3-5.293: File Not Submitted* |
| **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* |

**Inspection Results based on CURRENT STANDARDS:**

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|  | **Mandatory** | **Recommended** |
| **Total Standards Audited - 301** | **26** | **273** |
| **Number of Standards Not Applicable** | **0** | **2** |
| **Number of Standards in Non-Compliance** | **0** | **3** |
| **Number of Standards in Compliance** | **26** | **266** |
| **Total Percentage of Compliance** | **100%** | **98.15%** |

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

**CONCLUSION**

Clark County Juvenile Detention Center is in full 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 Vicki Carmicheal, Circuit 4

Lyda Abell, Director

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

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