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INTRODUCTION

The 2021 annual juvenile detention facility evaluations conducted by the IDOC, Division of Youth Services included two on-site facility inspections; staff and youth interviews; and an audit of the state detention standards.

While the proposed Indiana Juvenile Detention Facility Standards are in the process of being promulgated, Detention Facilities had the option to be audited on three hundred one (301) current detention standards or the corresponding two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed juvenile detention facility standards.

Dickinson Juvenile Justice Center chose to be audited on the two hundred and thirty-seven (237) proposed juvenile detention facility standards in 2021, for their 25th 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. Dickinson Juvenile Justice Center 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: | Johnson |
| Governing authority: | Johnson 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: | 16 |
| Average daily population for the last 12 months: | 18 |
| Average length of stay for the last 12 months: | 15 |
| Minor upgrades since last audit (i.e. painting, flooring, bedding, furnishings): | Painting |
| Major upgrades since last audit (i.e. plumbing, electrical, security system): | None |
| 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. Robert Kavelman, MD Darla Saladin, LPN Cara Baker, RN Lisa Neathery, LPN |
| 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 licenses teacher 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. |

Johnson County 2021 Audit

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| Standards: | <u>All Mandatory Standards, Security Standards, and Training Plan (8-3-52)</u> |
| Standards Reviewed: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fifty-One Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>16 Mandatory and 35 Recommended</u> • <u>1 Administration Standard, 7 Safety Standards, 23 Security Standards, 3 Food Service and Hygiene Standards, 15 Medical Standards, and 2 Mental Health Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 • Number of Mandatory Standards in Compliance: 16 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 35 |
| Auditor(s): | Rachel McCaffrey, Kristin Herrmann, and Danielle Zagone (Inspection) Kristin Herrmann (Files) |
| Facility Tour: | The facility tour was conducted by facility staff. This inspection focused on mandatory standards. Areas such as medical, janitorial closet, kitchen, visitation rooms, search areas, private interview rooms, youth rooms, youth living areas, personal and property areas, mechanical and safety areas were inspected. It was ensured that staff had access to the Emergency Manual. |
| Youth Interviews: | Four youth were interviewed between both on-site visits. |
| Youth Responses: | The four youth interviewed were asked a series of questions and these are their responses to the mandatory and security questions. All of the youth said that they felt safe and that the facility was clean and in working order. There were a couple comments about rooms being cold and this was brought to the detention staff during debriefing and was handled accordingly. All the youth interviewed said that the facility staff do conduct count to make sure they are all there before and after every move. |
| Staff Interviews: | Two line staff were interviewed with one having experience in control. |
| Staff Responses: | The staff were interviewed over questions pertaining to mandatory and security standards. When asked about what actions to take during an emergency evacuation or drill, the one in control would be reported to about if an area is truly affected and they would start the process of movement or evacuation. Facility searches are performed multiple times a day at various times. Mechanical restraints are utilized and have to be approved by the on-site supervisor. |

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| Non-compliant Standards: | None |
| Recommended Action: | None |

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| Standards: | Safety, Justice & Order, and Education Standards |
| Standards Reviewed: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>70 Total Recommended Standards Audited</u> • <u>27 Safety Standards, 37 Justice & Order Standards, and 6 Education Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 1 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 60 |
| Auditor(s): | Kristin Herrmann |
| Youth Interviews: | Four youth were interviewed between both on-site visits. |
| Youth Responses: | The four youth being interviewed were asked a series of question pertaining to the safety, justice, order, and education standards. All of them were positive about the facility education program and shared they use an online learning program and that their earned credits transfer. They all said that they had received a handbook upon admission and that they felt confident in their understanding of the rules and sanctions. They shared that the facility has a reward system for positive behavior. |
| Non-compliant Standards: | 8-6-13 though 8-6-21 |
| Recommended Action: | Facility does not have due process. |

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| Standards: | <u>Food Service & Hygiene, Medical, Mental Health, and Program Standards</u> |
| Standards Reviewed: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fifty-Three Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>16 Food Service & Hygiene Standards, 13 Medical Standards, 4 Mental Health Standards, and 20 Programs & Services Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 0 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 53 |
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| Youth Interviews: | Four youth were interviewed between both on-site visits. |
| Youth Responses: | The youth interviewed were asked a series of questions pertaining to food service, hygiene, medical, mental health, and program standards. All of the youth said that they receive three meals a day at regular times and that at least two of the meals are hot or have items with them. During intake they were given all the required items, like shoes, towels, and toiletries. All the youth felt confident that if they needed medical assistance that they knew how to access it. They also felt that their medical and mental health was taken seriously and kept confidential. |
| Non-compliant Standards: | None |
| Recommended Action: | None |

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| Standards: | <u>Administration Standards</u> |
| Standards Reviewed: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Sixty-One Total Standards Audited</u> • <u>61 Administration Standards</u> • Number of Standards Not Applicable: 3 • Number of Recommended Standards in Compliance: 58 |
| Auditors: | Kristin Herrmann |
| Non-compliant Standards: | None |
| Recommended Action: | None |

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

CONCLUSION

Dickinson Juvenile Justice 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 95.83% of the recommended standards.

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

Therefore, Dickinson Juvenile Justice Center is in compliance with the 2021 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 Michael T. Bohn, Circuit Court
Kristi Bruther, Director
pursuant to 210 IAC 8-1-5(f)
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