

Vocational/Work Programs

3-JDF-5C-05
(Ref. 2-8302)

Juveniles are not required to participate in uncompensated work assignments unless the work is related to housekeeping, maintenance of the facility or grounds, personal hygienic needs, or part of an approved training or community service program.

Comment:
Work that benefits the community or the facility may also serve the needs of the confined juveniles. It may be part of a training program, the opportunity to practice existing skills, or simply a relief from boredom.

3-JDF-5C-06
(Ref. 2-8379)

Juveniles are not permitted to perform any work prohibited by state and federal regulations and statutes pertaining to child labor.

Comment:
Juveniles in detention facilities should not be permitted to perform work that juveniles in the community would be prohibited from performing pursuant to state and federal child labor laws.

Section D Library

Principle: A written body of policy and procedure governs the facility's library program, including acquisition of materials, hours of availability, and staffing.

Comprehensive Library Services

3-JDF-5D-01
(Ref. 2-8368)

The facility administrator has available a qualified person to coordinate and supervise library services.

Comment:
This position may be full-time or part-time and may be filled by volunteer or contract personnel. If the person is not a trained librarian, he/she should receive training in library services.

3-JDF-5D-02
(Ref. 2-8367)

Written policy defines the principles, purposes, and criteria used in the selection and maintenance of library materials.

Comment:
Library materials should be selected to meet the educational, informational, and recreational needs of the juveniles. They should be easily accessible and regulated by a system that prevents abuse.

3-JDF-5D-03
(Ref. 2-8366)

Library services are provided and available to all juveniles.

Comment:
Every effort should be made to become part of a local library system. Young people should be encouraged to check out books and other library materials. Library services may be provided in the facility to include reading materials for nonlibrary hours. Reading material should reflect racial and ethnic interests and be appropriate for various levels of competency.