

Lighthouse Youth Center Inspection Brief

Correctional Institution Inspection Committee

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Institution Profile

- Bainbridge, Ohio (Ross County)
- Minimum/Medium
- Population: 53 (as of 8/2013)
 - Capacity: 79.1%
 - 45.3% Black, 39.6% White
 - Age range: 15 – 19
- Per diem: \$209.95
- LYC-PC is a summer-camp style facility. In line with its therapeutic environment, the facility has no fences and employs “youth workers” that operate more as counselors for the youth. The facility has an extremely low incident rate and is a model for rehabilitation in corrections.

Inspection Overview

Safety and Security: Good

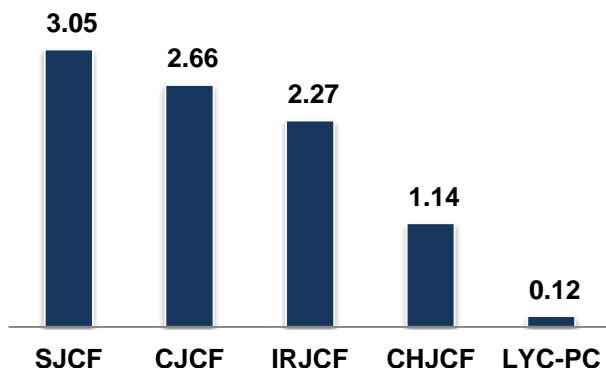
Health and Wellbeing: Good

Fair Treatment: Good

Reentry and Rehabilitation: Good

Fiscal Accountability: Good

Rate of Assaults per Youth



Key Findings

- **Assaults:** In CY 2012, there was only one youth-on-youth assault and six youth-on-staff assaults.
- **Use of Force:** In 2012, the facility reported 102 use of force/physical restraint incidents, a 104% increase. However, the rate is lower than any DYS facility.
- **Unit Conditions:** The level of cleanliness was rated as exceptional. The restroom facilities were generally good and there were no maintenance issues reported.
- **Healthcare:** There were no backlogs reported for either medical or mental health services, no ongoing staffing vacancies, and new facilities have been built.
- **Staff Accountability:** Youth responses regarding staff/youth interactions were positive, although 64.7% of staff reported on the survey that they had felt mistreated at some point by staff.
- **Seclusion:** The rate of seclusion hours per youth is drastically lower than any DYS facility.
- **Access to Purposeful Activities:** LYC-PC maintains a wealth of programs to keep youth productively occupied.
- **Quality of Programming:** In the 2013 academic year to date, LYC youth have earned 12 diplomas and 14 GEDs.
- **Reentry Planning:** LYC-PC offers a unique reentry curriculum and facilitates family visitation through an on-site cabin for visiting family members.
- **Fiscal Accountability:** LYC-PC provides a cost savings to the state through a lower per-diem rate per youth than DYS facilities. However, its vacancies has risen, as has its staff turnover.