**Section 2602.230 Education**

a) Education

Each facility must designate a qualified educational authority responsible for the development and implementation of the educational program. The educational authority must ensure that:

1) The program complies with State and federal education standards.

2) Teacher student ratios are at least 1:12 for general education and 1:8 for students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

3) Qualified special education staff are assigned to youth with special education status and special education testing is available for youth in custody.

4) IEPs are in place for youth with special education status. Teachers shall follow the IEP and document the progress.

5) Materials and resources are similar to what would be available in a public school.

6) All youth are enrolled immediately upon admission.

b) A detention facility shall operate a 12 month long schedule of school instruction and programming with appropriately certified teachers that are licensed by the State Board of Education. There shall be a minimum of five hours of instruction per day.

c) Curriculum

The curriculum shall supply instruction in language arts, mathematics, biological or physical sciences, social studies, fine arts and physical developmental health.

d) Notification

A youth's home school shall be immediately notified of the youth's detention status. Detention school attendance is credited on the youth's home school attendance record. Facilities shall develop protocols to optimize the potential for youth to receive credit in their home schools for work in detention.

e) Obtaining and Sharing of School Records

There shall be a written policy for obtaining school records upon a youth's admission into detention and for sharing of school records when a youth leaves detention in accordance with the Section 6 of the Illinois School Student Records Act [105 ILCS 10].

f) Class Size

Class size shall not exceed 12 students per teacher.

1) Classes shall be coeducational.

2) Remedial classes shall be limited to a maximum of eight students.

g) Classroom Size

Classrooms shall provide no less than 150 square feet for the teacher and 20 square feet per student per room.

1) Toilet and washbasin facilities must be located in or near the classroom.

2) Equipment and supplies shall be of similar quality and quantity as provided in public school facilities.

h) Arts and Crafts Room

Arts and crafts activities requiring special equipment (i.e., pottery, woodshop) shall have a special room provided.

1) Special equipment shall have safety devices available and safety operational signs posted.

2) Each youth shall be given a safety orientation lecture before using equipment.

3) Secure storage areas shall be provided for tools, supplies and unfinished projects.

4) Tools shall be inventoried at the end of each class session.

i) School Exempt Youth

A schedule shall be established providing for separate activities for youth who have already obtained their high school diplomas or GED.

j) Reporting

1) Each facility shall file an annual education plan no later than August 1 with Office of Detention and Audit Services and the Administrative Offices of the Illinois Courts. Each annual plan shall contain the following:

A) Number of anticipated school days;

B) How the curriculum complies with State and federal standards;

C) How the facility will limit class size; and

D) How course credits will be calculated and awarded.

2) Each facility shall file an annual education report no later than July 1 with Office of Detention and Audit Services and the Administrative Offices of the Illinois Courts. Each annual report shall include the following:

A) Number of students served, including;

i) males;

ii) females;

iii) ages;

iv) grade level;

v) Individualized Education Program; and

iv) Plan under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 UCS 701).

B) Total number of actual school days; and

C) Teacher to student ratios.