

Western Maryland Children's Center

The Program



- * The Western Maryland Children's Center is an all-male detention center run by the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services and is located in Washington County.
- * Youth are held here while they await their court date or placement.
- * Western Maryland Children's Center serves 24 youth primarily from the Western Region, which includes Allegany, Garrett, Frederick, and Washington Counties.
- * All staff are trained in trauma-informed care.

Education

- * The Maryland State Department of Education provides accredited education in which youth will receive credit that can be transferred to their home school.
- * Students are provided year-round education and spend six hours a day in the classroom. Serv-Safe is offered at all DJS facilities by MSDE.
- * Eligible youth may obtain their GED or Advanced Studies such as college courses.



Family Involvement & Visitation

The Department welcomes family visits during visitation hours. Please make sure to bring identification with you when you come to the facility. Authorized visitors may include mother, father, legal guardians, grandparents, stepparents, siblings, stepsiblings, children of youth, and any other administratively approved persons. If you have any questions about visitation, please contact the facility case manager.



Visitation Hours:

Monday - Friday: 5 - 7 PM

Saturday - Sunday: 1 - 3 PM

(virtual and on-site visits need to be pre-arranged)

Contact Information



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Behavioral Health Services



All youth receive a behavioral health screening when they enter the facility. Available services are provided by certified or licensed clinicians:

- * Crisis counseling
- * Services for survivors of human trafficking
- * Medication management
- * Psychoeducation
- * Substance use education
- * Evaluations

Somatic Health Services

- * All youth receive a health assessment when they enter the facility.
- * The facility has on-site around the clock nursing staff to meet the medical needs of each youth. Additionally, there is an on-call physician and a designated hospital emergency contact.



Activities

The Department partners with community organizations, churches, and civic organizations to provide programming for youth at the facility. Western Maryland Children's Center provides youth the opportunity to participate in:

- * Writing Competitions
- * Faith-based Activities
- * Fine Arts



- * Fitness and Sports
- * Life Skills Development
- * Tutoring

Community Case Worker:

Facility Case Worker:.....

Court Dates:

Notes:.....

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