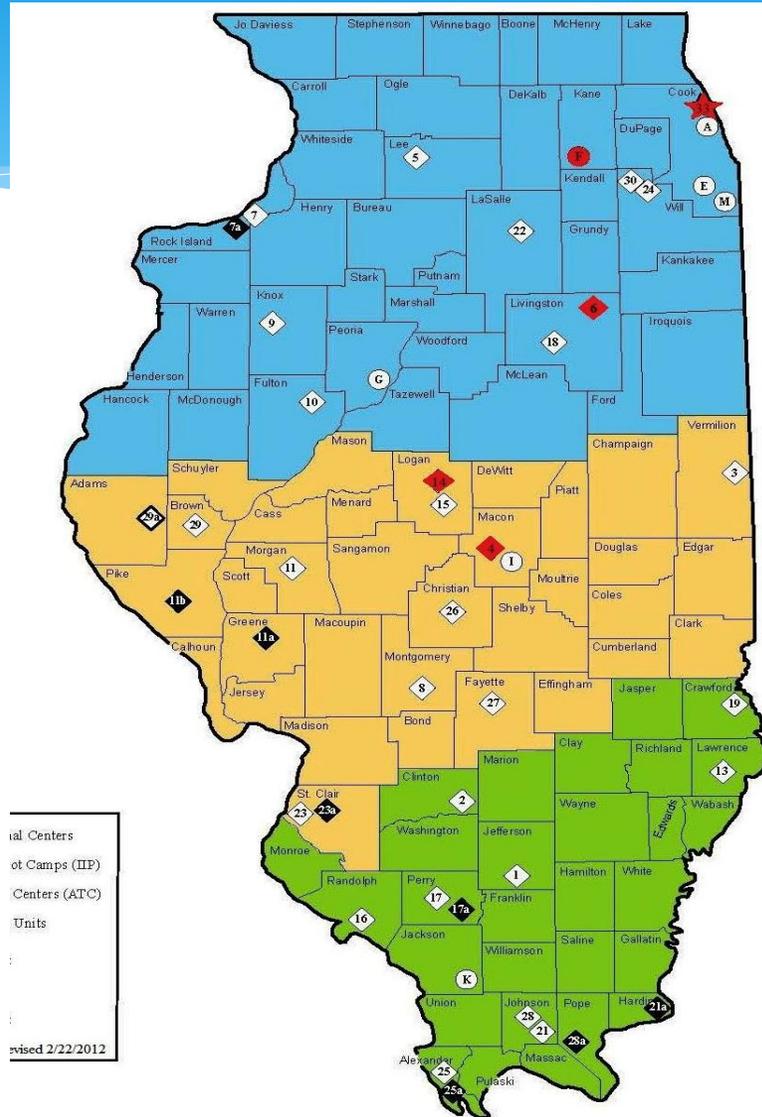


GED in the IDOC

Illinois Department of Corrections

Map



Who Are We?

- * 2.5 years without a budget
- * \$1.6 Billion /\$40 Million for Education
- * 39,000 Offenders/28 Facilities
- * Governors' goal is to decrease by 25% by 2025
- * New "Good Time" Law effective 1/1/2018
- * 12,000 Students in Academic Classes
- * 3,200 Students in Vocational Classes

Types of Technology

- * MP3 Players & Video Visitation - GTL
- * Lexis/Nexis in the Libraries - GTL
- * i-Pathways Curriculum
- * Pearson Vue (GED testing)
- * Tablets (In the future)

i-Pathways

- * Center for the Application of Information Technologies (CAIT)-
Western Illinois University
- * Using it since 2013
- * Closed Loop System
- * Server is Off-Site

i-Pathways Curriculum

- * Four Subject Areas (LA, Math, SS, Sci)
- * Aligned to the GED
- * Supplemental
- * IDOC: Hybrid Approach - Kaplan
- * Incorporates lessons with test pages and a test survey to measure readiness for the GED
- * Exams are computer graded

i-Pathways Curriculum Cont.

- * 75% Pass Rate is Required
- * 85% Pass Rate if they fail the GED READY
- * GED READY Score of 150
- * Sessions are 2-3 hours per day/Captive Audience
- * 4-9 months to complete the curriculum
- * Progress is easily viewed/tracked from the educators monitor
- * Instruction can be easily guided

i-Pathways Benefits

- * Can be Contacted by Phone/Email
- * Transferability with Offenders to another facility
- * Emphasis on Computer Skills

GED Success

- * 94% Success Rate on the GED in FY 2017; #1 in the Nation
- * 93% Success Rate on the GED in FY 2018; #1 in the Continental US
- * GED Growth: FY 2016 (346); FY 2017 (660); FY 2018 (723) FY 2019 (739)
- * 90 “Good Time” Days (By Statute)
- * \$1,042,864 in Savings for FY 2019; 137 Years Off Sentences

Pearson Vue

- * All GED testing is On-Line
- * Closed Loop System
- * Dedicated Lab (25 Computers)

Future Considerations

- * Facilities currently being wired for wi-fi
- * Educational/Entertainment Tablets
- * Email
- * Greater Computer Access (Staff and Students)

Questions

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