

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

CORRECTIONAL
EDUCATION



Correctional Education – Michigan's Largest Provider of Adult Education

- Operate 31 schools statewide
- Approximately 267 dedicated School Staff
- Approximately 7,500 prisoners are in school on any given day

CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION MODEL
Primary Educational Tracks

Academic Programming

Special Education
Under 22 (Federal Law)

English as a Second Language (ESL)

Adult Basic Education (ABE)
Kindergarten – 8th grade

General Education Development (GED)
9th-12th grade

- Post-Secondary**
- Pell Experimental
 - Self Pay College
 - Second Chance Grant
 - Pathways Grant
 - Correspondence Courses
- *Future goal: Every prison will have MOU with local college



Career & Technical Education

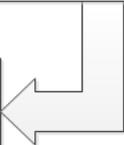
Vocational Counseling

- Vocational Trades Programs**
- Auto Mechanics
 - Carpentry
 - Commercial Drivers License (CDL)
 - Masonry/Concrete
 - Welding
 - Computer Service Tech
 - Custodial Maintenance
 - Food Technology
 - Horticulture
 - Optical Technology
 - Printing
 - Plumbing/Electrical
 - Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC)/Machine Tool
 - Robotics
 - Forklift Operation
 - Employment Readiness Program

S.C.O.R.E.
State Correctional Opportunities Rehabilitation & Education
Hands on Service Learning Projects for Community based nonprofits & state agencies

Employment Readiness & Workforce Development Program

Returning Citizen



Statewide Initiatives for Correctional Education

- Expansion of the Vocational Village
- Certificate of Employability
- Vital Documents
- Increased Post Secondary Education
- Technology

Vocational Village

Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility (MTU)

Vocational Programs Offered

- Carpentry – NCCER, OSHA
- Plumbing/Electrical – NCCER, OSHA
- Automotive – SOM certification and SOM Mechanics Licensure
- Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool – Immersive, HAAS, GibbsCam, MasterCam
- Welding – NCCER, American Welding Society (AWS)
- Horticulture
- Employment Readiness and Workforce Development

Employment Counselor has established relationships with over 80 companies and organizations for job placement upon release. Sathki, OMT-Veyhl and ALTA Equipment, LARGE construction company in Grand Rapids and a LARGE furniture manufacturer in Holland

Vocational Village

Parnall Correctional Facility (SMT)

Phase 1 – 16,000 sq. ft. consisting of classroom, lab and office space

- Carpentry – NCCER, OSHA
- Computer Numerically Controlled Machine Tool/Robotics – Immersive, HAAS, GibbsCam, MasterCam, FANUC

Phase 2 – Additional 32,000 sq. ft. dedicated to classroom, lab and office space

Renovations will also include a food serving and dining area for students

- Concrete/Masonry – NCCER, OSHA
- Automotive – SOM certification and SOM Mechanics Licensure
- Plumbing/Electrical – NCCER, OSHA
- Commercial Drivers License Truck driving – SOM Commercial Driver's License
- Forklift Operation – LARA forklift operators card
- Computer Service Technician – CompTIA A+

Certificate of Employability

- Supports returning citizens to secure employment
- Eliminates Employer risks
- Removes stigma
- Since January 2015, 951 have been issued

Vital Documents

- June 2015 Correctional Education was charged with assisting offenders in obtaining Vital Documents
- The Department solidified a process to obtain Birth Certificates from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
- March 2016 the Department began funding Birth Certificates
 - Offenders obtaining these documents has now nearly tripled
- July 2016, the Department partnered with the Michigan Department of State (MDOS) to assist offenders in obtaining their State I.D. and/or drivers license
 - July 2016 – first MDOS Mobile Unit piloted at MTU
 - November 2016 – second MDOS Mobile Unit sent to JCF
 - Next visits: WHV – 3/2017 and SMT – 6/2017

Vital Document Numbers

	SSC Apps Received	SSC Obtained	BC Apps Received	BC Obtained
November	496	257	764	556
December	537	346	681	735
January	550	243	791	586
YTD Totals	11,277	5090	11,026	9970

Postsecondary Education Initiatives

- Pell Experimental Sites Initiative Awards:
 - Jackson College - 1305
 - largest single Pell Grant award in nation
 - Mott Community College - 155
 - Delta Community College - 15
 - 1475 students enrolled in eleven correctional facilities
- Pathways from Prison to Post Secondary Education
- Second Chance Grant

Technology in Prison

- Prisoner Program Information Network
 - Implemented statewide in all schools
 - Citrix system that delivers educational content and standardized tests
- Edovo Learning Tablets
 - 800 Wi-Fi tablets will be implemented in four correctional facilities
 - Infrastructure completed, staff training and implementation set for May 2017
 - Content includes Academic advancement (HSE), Kahn Academy, Language and literacy, Health and wellness, as well as special population content
 - Incentive based technology

Purpose of Our Initiatives

- To streamline the pipeline from prison to employment and/or education by:
 - Finding EMPLOYERS who are committed to hiring SKILLED ex-offenders
 - Developing public/private sector understanding of the vocational training and workforce development inside prison
 - Identifying marketable skills and training curricula to address current employment demands
 - MDOC is open to expansion based on EMPLOYER NEEDS