

YOUTH DETENTION WORKER I

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Supervises the activity and maintains discipline of delinquent children detained in a secure detention facility; does related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under supervision an incumbent of this class is responsible for the good behavior, safety and custody of a group of adolescents according to the rules and regulations of the department. Supervision is not a responsibility of this class of positions.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Inspects the Facility to maintain order;

Instructs children regarding the Detention Cottage's rules and regulations, discipline and required personal habits;

Monitors resident's behavior to insure safety and security;

Instructs children on personal hygiene and inspects living areas for cleanliness and order;

Carries out program activities for small groups of individuals;

Conducts individual and group discussions;

Observes and prepares reports on children assigned.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Good knowledge of the methods and techniques used in enforcing institutional discipline; ability to understand and demonstrate interest in the delinquent child; ability to conduct group and individual activities in sports, arts or crafts, and to work effectively with groups under pressure; ability to carry out oral and written instructions; resourcefulness; integrity; objectivity of judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: High School diploma and three years of experience in a public or private institution supervising children or adolescents who exhibit hostile, violent or disturbed behavior.

SUBSTITUTIONS: College level education may be substituted at the rate of 30 credit hours* for one year of experience up to a maximum of two years.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must receive a satisfactory clearance issued by both the New York State Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment and the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services prior to appointment. All new appointees and all incumbents must pass an annual medical examination in accordance with the required guidelines established by the New York State Division for Youth.

*SPECIAL NOTE: Education beyond the secondary level must be from an institution recognized or accredited by the Board of Regents of the New York State Education Department as a post-secondary, degree-granting institution.

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