

Over 300 Attend CHANGE Conference: Making a Difference in Juvenile Justice

Louisville was the site of DJJ's CHANGE Conference, held March 27-28, 2006. The conference was co-sponsored by Eastern Kentucky University's College of Justice & Safety and the National Partnership for Juvenile Services.

Over 300 juvenile justice professionals and twelve vendors participated in this two-day conference that included six concentrated training sessions and twenty concurrent workshops. Monday's keynote speaker was Bill O'Connell, a consultant from Colorado with over 33 years of experience in offender rehabilitation and intervention. Tuesday's luncheon keynote speaker was Kimberly Montgomery, CEO and founder of Individual Development Project, a training and technical assistance consultant firm in New York.

The six concentrated training sessions and speakers included:

The Missing Link: Working with Families

Barbara Dooley, Ph.D. has worked with youth and families for more than 30 years and currently is the Associate Director of Training for the National Partnership for Juvenile Services.

Back to Basics: Security Training That Makes A Difference

Gary Mohr has served as a correctional trainer and consultant for more than 21 years and recently retired from the Ohio Department of Youth Services after serving more than five years as a Superintendent and Deputy Director.

Sexual Misconduct & Professionalism, Notes from the Field

Kimberly Montgomery, CEO of Individual Development Project, New York. In addition, Ms. Montgomery provided 2 workshops and a luncheon address.

Personal Stress Management: An Exercise Program

Randy Johnson has practiced the Chinese martial arts and has studied Chinese philosophy for over 35 years. Randy currently serves as the Director of the University Training Center at Western Kentucky University.

Success Strategies for Working Girls

Kia Harris currently serves as the Director of Training at the Center for Research and Professional Development office, through the National Partnership for Juvenile Services.

Situational Awareness: Tactics of Controlling Behavior

Joe Grant has 21 years of law enforcement experience and is a police officer with the Louisville Metro Police Department. Joe also provides safety training for DJJ's youth workers and community staff.

DJJ Welcomes New Director of Professional Development

In January 2006, Grace M. Smith, a retired Major with the Louisville Metro Department of Corrections, joined the DJJ as the Director of



Professional Development. Ms. Smith has over 29 1/2 years experience and is a jail consultant for the National Institute of Corrections. Ms. Smith will oversee DJJ's training initiatives and seventeen training branch staff.



DJJ Training Staff

Training staff present at Academy 50 Graduation
 Front row: Cassie Russell, Kathy Stigall, Dawn Wilkerson, Bob Pelzer, and Sherlonda Gray. Back row: Grace Smith, Karen Hill, Veronica Koontz, Kelly Hibbitts, Glen Boles, Jarrod Holbrook, and Paul Owens. Not present: Mike Corbett, Suzanne Curry, Dana Haugsted, Wanda King, M. J. Morrow and Frank Stein.

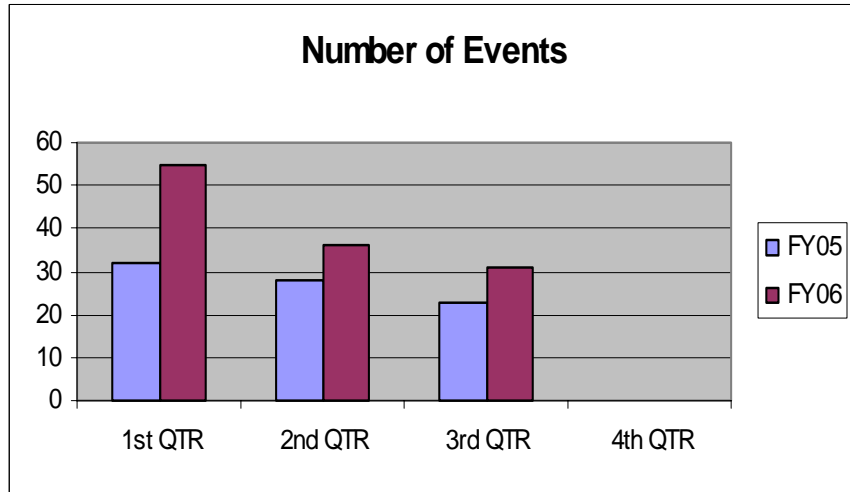
April		
Residential Substance Abuse	Richmond	4/4
Safety Training	Louisville	4/4
Web-Inservice Training	Frankfort	4/4-5
Web-Inservice Training	Ft. Mitchell	4/5-6
Cannabis Youth Treatment	Louisville	4/1-11
Web-Inservice Training	Ashland	4/10-11
Web-Inservice Training	Morehead	4/11-13
Cannabis Youth Treatment	Elizabethtown	4/12-13
Safety Training	Richmond	4/17
Gain Q	Louisville	4/20
Life Guard Recertification	Richmond	4/25-29
Treatment Planning	Richmond	4/26-28
May		
Aikido Control		
Training Phase III	Richmond	5/8-11
Seven Challenges	Louisville	5/1-4
Web-Inservice Training	London	5/2
Web-Inservice Training	Monticello	5/2-3
Web-Inservice Training	Columbia	5/4
Group Counseling	Bowling Green	5/8-12
Web-Inservice Training	Bowling Green	5/9
KASAP	Richmond	5/10
Web-Inservice Training	Elizabethtown	5/10
Group Counseling	Bowling Green	5/15-18
PREA TOT	Lexington	5/16
Safety Training	Richmond	5/22
Web-Inservice Training	Hopkinsville	5/22
Web-Inservice Training	Mayfield	5/23
Safety Training	Richmond	5/24
Web-Inservice Training	Paducah	5/24
Web-Inservice Training	Owensboro	5/25
PREA TOT	Louisville	5/30
June		
CPR Updates	Richmond	6/12
CPR Updates	Elizabethtown	6/14
CPR Updates	Richmond	6/20
Cognitive Self Change	TBA	6/14-16
PREA TOT	Richmond	6/20
Safety Training	Richmond	6/21

FY06 Training Overview July–March

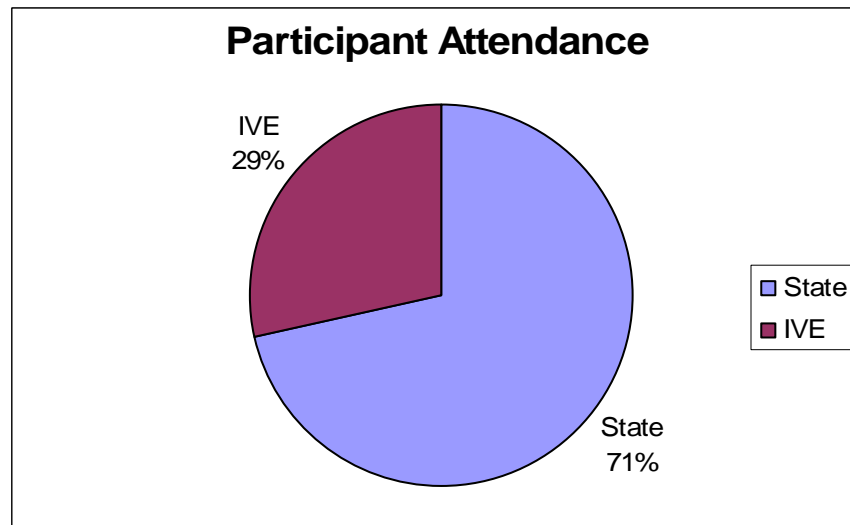
Event	Total Trained
Academy 47	38
Academy 48	30
Academy 49	60
Academy 50	36
Aikido Control Training	61
Cannabis Youth Treatment	131
Change Conference	304
Cognitive Self Change	50
Community Orientation	428
Family Engagement	29
First Aid Training	42
Group Counseling	11
ISAC	29
JSOCCP	26
Juvenile Justice Advisory Board	3
LEAD	96
Life Guard Training	6
Motivational Interview	93
PREA	45
Recreation Seminar	28
Residential Substance Abuse	42
Safety Training	456
Seven Challenges	53
Statewide Directors Meeting	109
Substance Abuse Meeting Pilot	41
Transportation Staff Meeting	6
Treatment Issues for the Sexually Abused	13
Treatment Planning	214
Youthful Level of Service (YLS)	221

Coming together is the beginning.
 Keeping together is progress.
 Working together is success.
 - Unknown

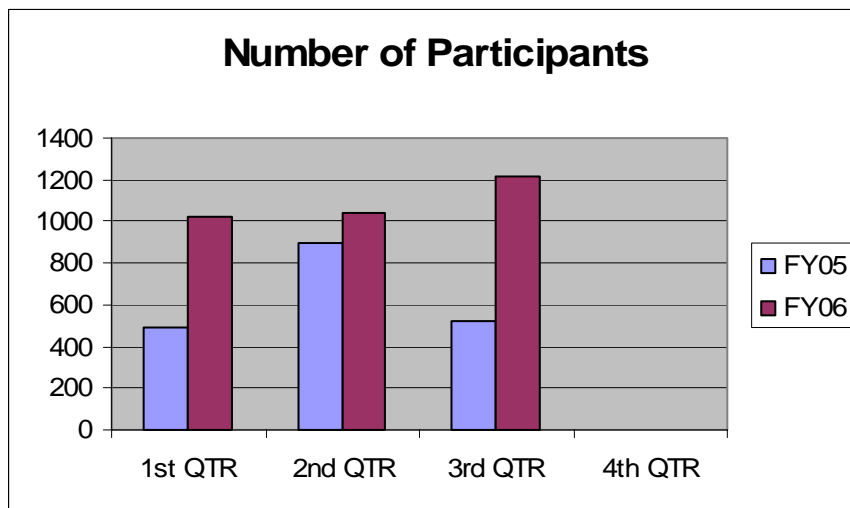
JJTC TRAINING STATS



*includes Academy training weeks



*does not include Academy participants



*includes Academy participants

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

January–March 2006

Number of events held: 24

Number of participants: 835
IVE 34%
State 66%

The top three training sites, based on number of events held were:

City	County
Louisville	Jefferson
Richmond	Madison
Bowling Green	Warren

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DJJ Celebrates 50 Academy Youth Worker Graduations

Since the first academy was held in the Spring of 1997, the Department has trained over 1,600 new youth workers which involved almost 12,000 hours of instruction. The academy structure has evolved through the years and currently includes seven weeks of training, with five academies being conducted annually.

In March, the Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice celebrated over nine years of training academies with the graduation ceremony of Academy 50. The event was held at the Student Services Building on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University where family, friends and co-workers congratulated the thirty-six new DJJ staff graduates.

In honor of the 50th Graduation, DJJ selected five graduates to reflect upon their academy experience as part of a brief video presentation that would be included in the graduation ceremony. The five DJJ graduates who contributed were: Ed Kleis, Karen Skaggs, Tyrone Silver, Natasha Bibbs and Bill Grossi. Each shared personal stories while attending the academy as well as professional work experiences that validated the academy curriculum. ECU would like to extend a personal note of thanks to each of these graduates for their contribution of time and continued commitment to improving the lives of Kentucky's youth.



Left to right: Ed Kleis, Frankfort Group Home; Karen Skaggs, Mayfield Group Home; Tyrone Silver, Westport Group Home; Natasha Bibbs, Warren RJDC and Bill Grossi, Fayette RJDC

ACADEMY GRADUATES

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2.....	26
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TOTAL	1,617