

**OKLAHOMA COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH
OFFICE OF JUVENILE SYSTEM OVERSIGHT**

Name and Location of Facility: Salt Fork Adventure Program
Nash, Oklahoma

Date of Visit: June 29, 2010

Oversight Reviewers: Dana S. Holden, Oversight Specialist IV

Subject: First Biannual Visit, 2010

Date: July 5, 2010

Introduction

The Office of Juvenile System Oversight (OJSO) conducted an unannounced visit on June 29, 2010, at the Salt Fork Adventure Program, located in Nash, Oklahoma. The purpose of the visit was to assess compliance with established responsibilities and facility policy and procedures. The Office of Juvenile Affairs (OJA) contracted with Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) for the operation of the program, which serves OJA-custody males. The program was licensed for sixteen residents by the Oklahoma Child Care Services (OCCS) division of the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS). On the day of the OJSO visit, the census was sixteen.

Interviews Conducted

- Entry interview with the Administrative Assistant
- Exit conference with the facility Case Manager
- Three residents

Documents Reviewed

- Three resident files
- OKDHS OCCS Residential Child Care Facility Inspection report dated June 16, 2010
- Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal report dated March 3, 2010
- Oklahoma State Department of Health Food Inspection report dated June 17, 2010
- List of residents
- Staff roster

Findings

Resident Interviews

The OJSO interviewed three residents. The interview questions pertained to the residents' perceptions of safety, program services, resident rights, discipline practices, and other residential program issues. There were no concerns noted from the resident interviews.

Staff Interview

The OJSO did not interview direct care staff as OKDHS OCCS Residential Child Care staff conducted interviews two weeks prior to the OJSO's inspection. There were no findings.

Resident File Review

The OJSO reviewed three resident files. The files were complete and the materials were easy to locate. There were no concerns noted from the resident file review.

Personnel File and Training Record Review

The OJSO did not review the personnel files and training records for the direct care staff members. The OKDHS OCCS Residential Child Care recently reviewed the staff files and the files were complete for the items reviewed.

Inspection Reports Review

The OJSO reviewed the most recent inspection reports by the OKDHS OCCS, the Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal, and the Oklahoma State Department of Health. The OCCS had cited minor violations; the facility had submitted a corrective action plan that had been accepted by the OCCS. The fire marshal's office and the health department report had not cited any violations.

Summary

The OJSO discussed its findings with the facility case manager in the exit conference. A copy of the Facility Exit Checklist was left with the Case Manager noting no violations or areas of concern were found. The OJSO noted that the resident files continue to be a strength of the facility. The facility is commended for its work to improve the quality of life for the residents.

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