

**State of Wisconsin**  
**Department of Corrections**  
**Prairie du Chien Correctional Institution**

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# PRAIRIE DU CHIEN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

## MISSION STATEMENT

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In keeping with the Division of Adult Institutions Mission Statement, which applies to the protection of the community, offender accountability and competency building to help offenders live responsibly and productively in the community, Prairie du Chien Correctional Institution has the following mission:

**To protect society from unwarranted acts, both now and in the future, which offenders referred to us for the purpose of habilitation may commit. The primary way we can fulfill that responsibility, as far as the future is concerned, is through a program of "productive adjustment," education, and team building, by use of positive role modeling.**

### OBJECTIVES

- To ensure public safety, using the least restrictive control measures feasible.
- To promote the health, safety, dignity, and rights of offenders committed to our institution.
- To manage resources, including community agencies and volunteers, in the most efficient, effective, and practical manner consistent with the attainment of institution goals.
- To motivate offenders to establish and implement goals; to determine what services are needed to accomplish those goals; to do whatever is possible to insure that those services are delivered; and to motivate offenders to utilize those services.
- To develop a helping relationship between staff and offenders by being positive role models, showing mutual and equal respect for each other, along with developing a mentoring relationship.
- To develop a helping approach to problems of the offenders; all staff members have this responsibility in their daily interactions with offenders. Every contact with staff is an opportunity for learning and correcting.
- To provide an environment which fosters and creates independent living skills by providing offenders with real choices, decision making, and the natural consequences of those choices and decisions, whenever possible and consistent with safety and security for staff, offenders, and the community.
- To develop a sense of responsibility for self and others by building inner self-controls. Offenders will be involved in structured meaningful programs.
- To promote a total approach to each offender's needs through addressing his physical, social, and educational needs, analysis and of skill deficits and addressing those deficits through relevant, proper programming.
- To create an environment that is clean, relaxed, humanistic and conducive to helping people change.
- To monitor and evaluate institution programs for general effectiveness and achievement of results.

## **History of Prairie du Chien Correctional Institution**

A railroad hotel was built on the current PDCI grounds in 1857 and was known as the Brisbois House. It was later used as a hospital for soldiers for a year during the Civil War and housed approximately 300 soldiers. The hotel closed a few years later. Local citizens established the Prairie du Chien College on the site in 1866. The property was bought by Mr. John Lawler of Prairie du Chien in 1867 and the Prairie du Chien College closed in 1869. The property was turned over in 1871 by Mr. Lawler to the Christian Brothers, who opened St. John's College. St. John's College closed in 1876 and the property was reverted back to Mr. Lawler.

In 1880, the property was formally deeded to the Jesuits, members of the Buffalo Mission of German Province. They opened Sacred Heart College and received a State of Wisconsin Charter in 1881. The school was closed to lay students in 1888 and used as a Novitiate and House of Studies of the Order by the Jesuits from 1888 to 1898 when it was reopened as a high school and college for boys.

In 1907, the Missouri Province took over the college when the Buffalo Mission became a part of this Province. In 1909, Campion Hall was built and the name of the college was changed to Campion College of the Sacred Heart in 1913. In 1925, the college department was closed and Campion Jesuit High School officially started on the grounds. Campion was not completely a military school, though was a member of the R.O.T.C. The military program was headed by a Captain, a graduate of West Point and a Sergeant of the US Army. The boys that attended Campion were trained in physical, intellectual, moral and military development. Students from all parts of the United States came to Campion. A few of the present-day buildings at PDCI were erected prior to Campion's reign; however, the majority of the buildings were built between 1936 and 1970. Campion Jesuit High School closed in 1975 and the campus sold to the Wisconsin Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1976 for \$2.8 million. The facility reopened as Martin Luther Preparatory School (MLPS) in 1978 and closed in 1994.

The State of Wisconsin purchased this facility in 1995 for \$2.5 million to be used as a Secured Juvenile Facility for non-assaultive male youthful offenders. The purchase included 21 buildings on 60 acres of land. Due to the decreases in juvenile offender population throughout the Division of Juvenile Corrections (DJC), the Legislature in the 1997 passed Senate Bill 113, authorizing the Department of Corrections (DOC) to temporarily utilize this facility for the Division of Adult Institutions (DAI). The DJC contracted 302 beds at PDCI to the DAI to serve as a medium-security correctional institution for male youthful offenders with adult sentences in the age range of 15 to 21 years.

Prairie du Chien Correctional Institute became operational on July 3, 1997. As of July 1, 2003, PDCI transferred from the Division of Juvenile Offenders to the Division of Adult Institutions. Prairie du Chien Correctional continues to operate as a medium-security correctional facility within the Division of Adult Institutions.

## **PRAIRIE DU CHIEN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION BY DEPARTMENT**

### **WARDENS OFFICE**

- Warden (1)
  - Confidential Secretary (1)
  - Inmate Complaint Examiner (1)
- Deputy Warden (1)
  - Program Assistant Confidential (1)

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

- Institution Human Resource Director (1)
  - Payroll & Benefits Specialist (1)
  - Human Resources Assistant (1)

### **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

- Correctional Management Services Dir (1)
  - Financial Program Supervisor (1)
    - Financial Specialist 2 (3)
    - Inventory Control Coordinator (1)
  - Building and Grounds Superintendent (1)
    - Electronics Technician Security – Sr (1)
    - Facility Repair Worker – Advanced (3)
    - Facilities Maintenance Spec Adv (2)
    - Power Plant Operator – Senior (5)
  - Food Service Administrator (1)
    - Food Service Leader 3 (1)
    - Food Service Leader 2 (5)
    - Food Service Leader 2 LTE (1)

### **EDUCATION**

- Education Director (1) (shared with WSPF)
  - Office Operations Assistant (1)
  - Librarian (1)
  - Teachers (12) (3 Vocational, 1 Title I, and 8 Academic and Re-Entry)

### **HOUSING UNITS**

- Unit Managers (2)
  - Social Workers (5.5)

### **SECURITY**

- Security Director (1)
  - Program Assistant – Confidential (1)
  - Supervising Officer 2 – (7)
  - Supervising Officer 1 (4)
    - Sergeants (40)
    - Correctional Officers (70)

- Probationary Officers (6)

### **PROGRAM SERVICES**

- Corrections Program Supervisor (1)
  - Chaplain (.5)
  - Recreation Leaders (3)
  - Institution Registrar (1)
  - Offender Records Assistant 2 (1)
  - Offender Records Assistant 2 LTE (1)
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### **PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE**

- Offender Classification Specialist (1) - Non-PDCI employee
- Operations Program Associate-A (1) – Non-PDCI employee

### **HEALTH SERVICES UNIT (HSU)**

- Nursing Supervisor (1)
  - Medical Program Assistant Associate (1)
  - Nurse Clinician 2 (3.5)
  - Nurse Clinician 2 LTE (1)
- Physician (.5) – Non-PDCI employee
- Dentist (.5) – Non-PDCI employee
- Dental Assistant (.5) – Non-PDCI employee
- Dental Hygienist (.2) – Non-PDCI employee
- Psychiatrist (.2) – Non-PDCI employee

### **PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES UNIT**

- Psychologist Supervisor - Shared with WSPF
- Psychologist – Licensed (1)

## FAST FACTS

### INSTITUTION PROFILE:

Date Institution Opened	July 3, 1997
Security Level	Medium
Operating Capacity	512
Current Population	507
Officer / Sergeant Staff	110
Non-officer / Sergeant Staff	83
Inmate to staff ratio	4.5 inmates / staff
Number of acres	55.5
Operating Budget	\$13,579,160
Amount collected from inmates for:	
restitution	\$11,073.64
child support	\$9,515.78
victim/witness	\$16,955.48
medical co-pay	\$5,310.00

### PROGRAMS:

PROGRAM	# OF INMATES PARTICIPATED	# OF INMATES COMPLETED
<b>Education</b>		
High School Equivalency Diploma HSED	524	151
509 (Special Education Portfolio)	44	10
Home School District Diploma	0	0
Southwestern Wisconsin Technical College (SWTC) General Education Credits	367	367
SWTC Bricklaying Diploma (program started January 2010)	4	0
SWTC Bricklaying Certificate (program started January 2010)	14	14
SWTC Basis Microcomputer Certificate	31	26
SWTC Advanced Microcomputer Certificate	10	8
Building & Maintenance Diploma	2	2
Building & Maintenance Certificates	11	11
OSHA Certified Forklift Training	255	241
<b>Treatment</b>		
Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse (AODA) Treatment Changeover to "New Freedom" Curriculum in January	62	57
Cognitive Intervention Program (CGIP) Phase I	55	47
Cognitive Intervention Program (CGIP) Phase II	46	43
Parenting	80	80
Victim Impact Program	10	8

