



Ideal Prison

Purpose: The Ideal Prison competition is designed to expose the student to the field of corrections. The competition will provide the student with opportunities to learn about the prison system and the rules and regulation that go into designing and operating a prison.

Description of Event: Design a maximum-security prison keeping it within the 8th amendment of the Constitution.

Limit: 1 team of 2 students per Criminal Justice Chapter

Dress Code: Appropriate dress to include business attire, chapter uniform or other attire appropriate for the competition, or as directed by your chapter advisor.

Rules:

1. To be eligible for the competition a student must be enrolled in a secondary public service education program, or a program completer as recognized by Florida Department of Education.

Power Point Presentation: 15-minute limit

Model Prison (using Department of Corrections standards)

Map of the facility either drawn on poster board or included in power point. No penalty for being hand drawn on poster board.

Presentation must include the following:

- 1) Purpose of Prison. (Punishment, Rehabilitation, Reintegration?)
- 2) Who is it designed for?
- 3) Who will staff it and what are the personal requirements, special training, and salary?
- 4) How many inmates will be housed/how many correctional officers?
- 5) How will the inmates be housed and classified?
- 6) How would your prison carry out (procedure) for the death penalty?
- 7) What type of security procedures will be used?
- 8) What type of programs will be offered to the inmate to help him reintegrate back into the community when he is released?
- 9) What is the typical inmate's daily schedule?
- 10) How will the facility be funded? Will inmates be required to work? Will the facility be state or privately run? Give reasons!



11) What is the institution's policy on early release and inmate privileges (furloughs and consequences for violating its terms)?

The following should be included in the presentation

- A detailed diagram (schematic) of the entire prison drawn on poster board
- **A model of a typical prison.** Must include accurate measurements and amenities. Include a copy of resources used to complete this section. A deduction of 3 points will be assessed with the absence of the copy of resources used to complete the cell.
- A PowerPoint presentation addressing the above points (1-11).
- A hard copy of your power point (just in case the projector or computer fail).

Required Personnel:

Facilities and Equipment:



Ideal Prison Scoring Guidelines

Student Name _____ Final Score _____

Student Name _____

School Name _____

Judge's Name _____ Judge's Signature _____

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Points Values

Excellent = 5

Superior = 4

Good = 3

Fair = 2

Poor = 1
Score

Purpose of Prison. Who is it designed for? Punishment, rehabilitation, reintegration _____

Prison Staff _____

Duties, education, Personnel requirements, Special training, salary _____

Numbers _____

Ration of correctional officers to inmates Change in ratio for emergencies _____

Housing _____

Total number of inmates, Description of housing, Furnishing, types of cells, Personal property of inmates _____

Security _____

What controls are used? In the prison? Bars, Barbed Wire, armed correction Officers _____

Programs _____

Educational, rehabilitative, vocational _____

Daily schedule of inmates _____

Hour by hour format, personal, work, meals, etc. _____

Funding _____

How will your prison be funded? State budget, court fines, special taxes _____

Privileges _____

Furloughs, early release, weekend passes, visitation _____

Death penalty _____

Facility preparation, inmate preparation, type of capital punishment, procedure for capital punishment _____

Map of institution _____

Neatness, labeled, (does not need to be part of PowerPoint) _____

PowerPoint presentation _____

Creativity, graphics, pictures, knowledge of information presented _____

Total points _____



Ideal Prison Judge's Winner Sheet

1st Place School _____

Student _____

Student _____

2nd Place School _____

Student _____

Student _____

3rd Place School _____

Student _____

Student _____

4th Place School _____

Student _____

Student _____

5th Place School _____

Student _____

Student _____