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Transmittal Memo

TO: TJJJ Staff
FROM: Office of the General Counsel, Policy and Standards Section
SUBJECT: GAP Transmittal
DATE: August 30, 2019

Please be advised that changes have been made to the General Administrative Policy (GAP) Manual. These changes will go into effect on **September 1, 2019**.

Summary of Changes

GAP.380.9141 Education Administration

- Removed the requirement for TJJJ to provide 180 days of instruction each school year.
- Removed the requirement for the average school day to consist of 5 ½ hours of instruction.
- Clarified that a youth's progress in education programs does not affect the youth's privileges or progress toward release.
- Clarified that youth who earn a certificate of high school equivalency may continue to take high school classes.
- Replaced the term *Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports system* with the term *positive behavior support system*.
- Replaced references to the terms *GED* and *high school equivalency diploma* with a reference to *certificate of high school equivalency*.