

# **PENNSYLVANIA JUVENILE JUSTICE**

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### PENNINGTON NAMED NATIONAL JUVENILE JUSTICE SPECIALIST



The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) recently announced that Michael Pennington, Juvenile Justice Specialist for Pennsylvania, will take the helm May 1, 2018 as the OJJDP National Juvenile Justice Specialist for the 2018-2020 term. Mike, who has over 25 years of experience in the field, is the Director of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention at the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency (PCCD). His

professional career has been devoted to helping youth and families and improving the juvenile justice system in Pennsylvania.

The National Juvenile Justice Specialist serves a two-year term as the primary liaison between OJJDP and Juvenile Justice Specialists throughout the U.S. and its Territories.

Mike's responsibilities in this role, in addition to his current position, will include:

- Ensuring that the perspectives, ideas and concerns of the JJ Specialists, including training and technical assistance needs and emerging issues, are brought to the attention of OJJDP through the State and Community Development (SCD) team;
- Assisting OJJDP staff in planning JJ Specialist calls, trainings and business meeting agendas and logistics, as appropriate;
- As appropriate, coordinating and sharing information with the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) National JJ Specialist; and
- Engaging fellow JJ Specialists via the Community of Practice online platform to make effective use of this networking and information sharing tool.

Mr. Pennington holds a Master of Science in Administration of Justice from Shippensburg University.

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# **Call for Presentations**

The 2018 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice

#### November 7 - 9, 2018

Harrisburg Hilton and Towers

The 2018 James E. Anderson Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice, sponsored by the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission, the Pennsylvania Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers, the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, and the Juvenile Court Section of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges will be held November 7-9, 2018 at the Harrisburg Hilton and Towers.

Each year the conference includes workshops that highlight practices, programs and initiatives that exemplify best-practices related to the various components of Pennsylvania's Balanced & Restorative Justice mission and our Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy (JJSES). This year's workshops will take place on Thursday, November 8, 2018. The workshops will be 90 minutes in length and will be repeated via morning and afternoon sessions.

We enthusiastically welcome submissions for presentations. Interested parties can complete and submit the following presentation proposal form. Please note that up to two facilitators from each selected workshop will receive free conference registration and meals (facilitators are responsible for their own travel and lodging expenses).

Submissions for presentations are due by Friday, June 1, 2018, and can be directed to Leo J. Lutz, Director of Policy and Program Development at <u>lelutz@pa.gov</u>.

> Presentation Proposal Form Click here to download or visit <u>http://www.jcjc.pa.gov/Publications/Documents/Newsletter</u> <u>Resources/Presentation Proposal Form 2018.docx</u>





### WELCOME CHIEF MICHAEL GRUBBS WARREN COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION



On April 2, 2018, Michael Grubbs was appointed as Chief Juvenile Probation Officer in Warren County by the Honorable Maureen A. Skerda, President Judge.

Mr. Grubbs began his employment at Abraxas 1 as a Life Skills Worker in 1995 where he worked with youth until he accepted a position with the Warren County Juvenile Probation Department. On June 27, 1997, he began working as an Aftercare Probation Officer and then transitioned to the Restitution/Community Liaison Officer in 2008. In January of 2010, he was promoted to Deputy Chief.

Mr. Grubbs graduated from Gannon University with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal

Justice. He is a member of the Warren County Career Center Occupational Advisory Committee and a member of the Sheffield Sports Boosters. Within his community, Mr. Grubbs is a Varsity Girls Softball Coach at Sheffield High School and a volunteer Varsity Girls Basketball Coach. When he is not coaching, he enjoys going to his daughters' travel softball tournaments, hunting, and fishing.



We congratulate Chief Mark Benedetto, Mercer County, in being recognized by PCCD for his leadership.

Mark was awarded the Linda K. M. Ludgate, CJAB Excellence in Leadership Award earlier this month.







Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate

#### **Active Shooter Training**

Presented by: The ALICE Training Institute Hosted by: Juvenile Detention Centers and Alternative Programs (JDCAP) When: May 24 - 25, 2018 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Where: County Commissioners Association of PA 2789 Old Post Road Harrisburg, PA 17110

Please contact <u>llawyer@pacounties.org</u> for more information.

### **STAFF DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

#### May

- 2 Cultural Competence State College
- 10 SPEP™ Readiness Informational Session State College
- 11 SPEP™ Readiness Informational Session Bucks County
- 16 JCJC Technology User Group State College
- 30 Family Workbook Kickoff State College

#### June

19 Mindfulness Practices & Emotional Intelligence State College

# Registration available at <u>www.jcjcjems.state.pa.us</u>

### **NEW CHIEFS ORIENTATION WORKSHOP HELD**

The Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC) and the PA Council of Chief Juvenile Probation Officers co -sponsored a *New Chiefs Orientation* on Thursday, April 12 at the Days Inn in State College. This event is held on a semi-annual ba-



sis, and is designed to provide key information to individuals who were recently appointed to juvenile justice leadership positions --Chief Juvenile Probation Officers, Deputy Chiefs, and Supervisors.



Twenty-four individuals attended the event, 7 of whom were relatively new Chief Juvenile Probation Officers. Attendees had the opportunity to hear from JCJC staff, as well as key individuals from the Chiefs Council. Topics covered included an overview of the

programs and services provided by JCJC, an overview of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, the Needs-Based Budget process, the nexus between Bal-



anced and Restorative Justice and the Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategy, and the key activities of the Chiefs Council.

In addition to the training event, the Chiefs Council hosted a networking dinner following the workshop, and invited all attendees to the next morning Chiefs Council Executive Committee meeting.



Main Session 10:00 AM — Noon JCMS Assessment and Findings — Outcome Measures — Victim Enhancements Detention — PaJCMS Supervisor Module — Best Practices/Data Integrity — JCJC Research Projects

Breakout Sessions 1:30 PM — 3:00 PM

JEMS/Professional Development Supervisor Module Discussion PaJCMS Updates/Enhancements

Registration available at <u>www.jcjcjems.state.pa.us</u>

### Days Inn State College — Group Code CGJCUG

### **TECHNOLOGY CORNER**

Did you know...the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission's (JCJC) Center for Juvenile Justice Training and Research (CJJT&R) is currently participating in two data sharing projects.



In an effort to streamline processes and eliminate the need for dual entry, in September of 2011, JCJC and the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) started the data sharing project between the Common Pleas "Criminal" Case Management System (CPCMS) to the Pennsylvania Juvenile Case Management System (PaJCMS). With this project, data are entered into CPCMS and then passed to PaJCMS. Currently there are 12 counties participating in the CPCMS to PaJCMS data sharing.

# Examples of juvenile information shared:

- Address
- Driver Information
- ID Marks
- Relations/Address
- CPCMS Family and Calendar

# Examples of case management information shared:

- Alleged Charge(s)
- Codefendant
- Involved Persons/Address
- Hearing Information
- Victim Information/Address



The data sharing with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) Detention system is in development. The direction of data will be from PaJCMS to PCCD. Data entered in the Detention Management (Case Management/Out of Home Service) screen in PaJCMS will be sent to PCCD to be inserted for use in the PA Juveniles Held (JHELD) Online Compliance Tool.

Data sharing between systems offers numerous advantages, including minimizing the burden of duplicate information entry within each system. Additionally, when data sharing is in place, the speed with which information is available is significantly reduced; data can be available within seconds.

A key consideration for successful data sharing is data integrity. Any inaccurate data entered into the initial data system will be passed to the receiving system in the data sharing process, and ultimately requires cleanup in both systems. Ongoing quality assurance and data integrity, within data sharing systems and overall, continues to be a focus for JCJC and our partnering agencies.



JOIN US IN NOVEMBER FOR TRAINING WORKSHOPS, TWO AWARDS DINNERS, EXHIBITORS, AND NETWORKING WITH OVER 900 ATTENDEES.

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# **RESEARCH BRIEF**

### ANNUAL INDICATORS OF SCHOOL CRIME AND SAFETY REPORT RECENTLY RELEASED

The Bureau of Justice Statistics and National Center for Education Statistics recently released it annual report entitled "Indicators of School Crime and Safety: 2017." The report, which presents data on school crime and safety from the perspective of students, teachers, and principals, contains 23 indicators of school crime and safety within seven broad categories, which are as follows:

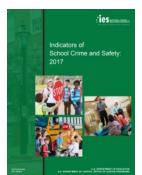
- 1. Violent Deaths
- 2. Nonfatal Student and Teacher Victimization
- 3. School Environment
- 4. Fights, Weapons, and Illegal Substances
- 5. Fear and Avoidance
- 6. Discipline, Safety, & Security Measures
- 7. Postsecondary Campus Safety & Security

Data sources utilized to compile the statistics include the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), the School Crime Supplement (SCS) to the NCVS, the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS), the School Survey on Crime and Safety (SSOCS), and the School and Staffing Survey (SASS).

The following are some of the highlights from this year's report:

- In 2016, students ages 12-18 experienced 749,400 victimizations (theft and nonfatal violent victimization) at school and 601,300 victimizations away from school. The total victimization rates were 29 victimizations per 1,000 students at school and 24 per 1,000 students away from school.
- During the 2015–16 school year, 79 percent of public schools recorded that one or more incidents of violence, theft, or other crimes had taken place, amounting to 1.4 million crimes, or a rate of 28 crimes per 1,000 students enrolled.
- In 2016, the rate of total victimization at school was higher for males (38 victimizations per 1,000 male students) than for females (20 per 1,000 female students).
- During the 2015-16 school year, the percentage of public schools that reported student bullying occurred at least once a week was higher for middle schools (22%) than for high schools (15%), combined schools (11%), and primary schools (8%).
- The percentage of public schools that had a plan in place for procedures to be performed in the event of a shooting increased over time, from 79% in 2003-04 to 92% in 2015-16.
- The percentage of public schools reporting the presence of security staff was higher during the 2015–16 school year than during the 2005–06 school year (57 vs. 42 percent).
- A higher percentage of students from urban areas (15 percent) reported a gang presence than of students from suburban (10 percent) and rural areas (4 percent) in 2015.
- In 2015, higher percentages of Black (17 percent) and Hispanic (15 percent) students reported the presence of gangs at their school than of White (7 percent) and Asian (4 percent) students.
- The percentage of students in grades 9–12 who reported that illegal drugs were made available to them on school property decreased from 32 percent in 1995 to 22 percent in 2015.

The full report can be accessed in its entirety at <u>https://www.bjs.gov/content/pub/pdf/iscs17.pdf</u>.



### Dr. Thomas L. Austin Undergraduate Scholarship Fund

We invite you to participate in supporting the Dr. Thomas L. Austin Undergraduate Scholarship Fund. Since 1986, the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to an undergraduate student at Shippensburg University majoring in Criminal Justice. This scholarship is named in honor of Dr. Thomas L. Austin, who taught in the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission-sponsored Graduate Education Program at Shippensburg University from its inception in 1982 until his retirement in 2011. The criteria for this scholarship are academic excellence and an interest in juvenile justice.

**Donate to the Juvenile Justice Scholarship Fund today!** https://tinyurl.com/JJScholarshipFund



### **Crime Victims Council of the Lehigh Valley**

invites you to attend our

Human Trafficking Conference: Hiding in Plain Sight Wednesday, June 27, 2018 DeSales University, Center Valley, PA

> Additional information and how to register will be available soon. Please check our website <u>cvclv.org</u> for updates.

> > Who should attend? Advocates, law enforcement, attorneys, caseworkers, community members



Conference sponsored by the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation Spark Grant



#### **Bucks County Public Safety-Police Training Center**

Location of Training: 1760 S. Easton Rd., Doylestown, PA 18901 Date: 06/13/18 (Wednesday) 9:00am-4:00pm



#### First Responder Training for Computer Investigations-Field Search Software Certification Class:

The National Law Enforcement & Corrections Center (NLECTC) has established a group of Nationally Certified Field Search Instructors to deliver this training. Confront offenders immediately with discovered (pre-viewed) digital evidence while on scene (deployed from a USB drive). Collect evidence and build a court-worthy report of your findings. A great tool for the non-technical user. All students will receive a licensed copy of this software in class. No hidden costs or re-occurring software fees. Students will be able to use the tools in the field by the end of the class. Fifteen thousand plus distributions of Field Search Software have occurred throughout the U.S. Government/ Law Enforcement community. Who attends our classes:

* Police Officers	* Detectives	* Evidence Technicians	* SRO	* Gang/Narcotics Officers
* Probation Officers	* Corrections	* Sex Offender Monitoring Units		* Fire Dept. Arson Investigators
* I.T. Staff	* State Agents	* Federal Agents		* U.S. Military-Counterterrorism

This innovative one-day class provides all the following:

- Learn how to search the offender's computer using the latest proven technology.
- Designed for all levels of users, the novice to the experienced (taught in Microsoft Windows).
- Students receive a 4GB USB drive with newest version of "Field Search Software" pre-installed.
- (Hands-on) Our mobile computer lab case studies include: Financial Crimes, Counterfeiting, Homicide Investigation, Arson, Bombings, Sex Offender Monitoring and URL Search Recovery.
- Additional free open-source tools for viewing Meta-Data, GEO-Tag Tracing, Hash Analysis, Wi-Fi-Locator, etc. Extensive collection of literature library included.
- Learn how to recover pictures, videos, internet records, chat history, and other important artifacts.
- Analyze: CD's, USB's, external storage devices, cell phone/digital camera SD cards, hard drive, etc.
- Software works on both Windows and Macintosh computers-Reports save as PDF's, Word, Excel.
- Well-organized and court-worthy reports are generated automatically for courtroom presentation.
- Keyword Search tool allows an investigator to look for email addresses, victim names and telephone numbers, credit card, or account numbers, etc. (Search Windows Versions: ME, XP, 7, 8 & 10).
- Templates/procedures for submitting identified child pornography images to NCMEC/ Project Vic.

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### NATIONAL JUVENILE JUSTICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements are reprinted from JUVJUST, an OJJDP news service:

### JANET RENO FORUM TO DISCUSS TRANSFORMING JUVENILE JUSTICE

#### The Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and the Council of State Gov-

ernments Justice Center will host the 2018 Janet Reno Forum on May 21, 2018, at Georgetown University in Washington, DC. The forum will highlight strategies for restructuring juvenile justice systems to more effectively enhance public safety and improve outcomes for youth. The event will include the presentation of the second annual Janet Reno Endowment Women's Leadership Award, and attendees will receive a publication featuring the highlighted strategies. Policymakers, practitioners, researchers, advocates, and other stakeholders are invited to attend.

#### **RESOURCES**:

Register to attend the 2018 Janet Reno Forum.

Visit the <u>Janet Reno Forum website</u> for additional information about the conference.

Read about OJJDP's <u>Juvenile Justice Reform and Reinvestment Initia-</u>tive.

#### **OJJDP ANNOUNCES NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

OJJDP has announced the following fiscal year 2018 funding opportunities:

 <u>Specialized Services</u> and Mentoring for <u>Child and Youth Vic-</u> tims of Sex Trafficking. Applications are due by May 15, 2018.



- <u>National Juvenile</u> <u>Court Data Archive</u>. Applications are due by May 16, 2018.
- <u>Child Abuse Training for Judicial and Court Personnel</u>. Applications are due by May 3, 2018.
- <u>Training and Technical Assistance for Child Abuse Prosecutors</u>. Applications are due by May 7, 2018.
- Victims of Child Abuse Act Support for Children's Advocacy Centers Programs. Applications are due by May 14, 2018.
- Improving Juvenile Reentry Programs' Data Collection, Analysis, and Reporting. Applications are due by May 29, 2018.
- <u>Mentoring Research Partners Program</u>. Applications are due by May 30, 2018.
- <u>Redesign Study of OJJDP's Juveniles in Corrections Data Collec-</u> <u>tions</u>. Applications are due by May 30, 2018.
- <u>Juvenile Reentry Research and Evaluation Program</u>. Applications are due by May 31, 2018.

- Second Chance Act Ensuring Public Safety and Improving Outcomes for Youth in Confinement and While Under Community Supervision. Applications are due by May 24, 2018.
- Initiative to Develop a Research-Based Practice Guide to Prevent and Reduce Youth Violence in Communities. Applications are due by May 30, 2018.
- <u>State System Enhancements for Youth Offenders</u>. Applications are due by May 29, 2018.
- Law Enforcement and Youth Field-Initiated Research and Evaluation Program. Applications are due by May 29, 2018.

#### **RESOURCES**:

Visit the <u>funding page</u> for details about these and other OJJDP funding opportunities.

#### REGISTRATION OPEN FOR NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES' 81ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The <u>National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges</u> will host its <u>81st Annual Conference</u> on July 22-25, 2018, in Denver, CO. This conference will address issues facing the juvenile and family court systems, including child welfare, juvenile justice, family law,



and family violence. Early bird deadline is June 1, 2018. **RESOURCES**:

Learn more and register to attend the conference.

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS



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