# Department of Public Safety & Corrections

State of Louisiana

JOHN BEL EDWARDS Governor



JAMES M. LE BLANG Secretary

November 6, 2023

## MEMORANDUM

 TO:
 The Honorable Gregory C. "Greg" Champagne

 Sherff of St. Charles Parish

 FROM:

 James M. Le Blanc

 Secretary

RE: "Basic Jail Guidelines" Monitoring Report

Please see the attached monitoring report regarding the Basic Jail Guidelines (BJG) annual inspection that was conducted at Nelson Coleman Correctional Center on September 28, 2023. The facility continues to provide a secure, safe, and stable environment for DOC offenders in their custody.

Please note the report indicates during inmate interviews it was stated that they were concerned about classes not being offered to earn good time.

At this time DPS&C will continue with annual monitoring visits. Thank you for your support of the BJG process.

JML/mk

Attachment

c: Mike Ranatza, Executive Director, Louisiana Sheriffs' Association Alvin Robinson, Major, Nelson Coleman Correctional Center Seth Smith, Chief of Operations Kristen Thomas, Warden, LCIW Carmisha Stinson, BJG Team Leader

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# BJG MONITORING REPORT

Annual

Rev. 08/01/2022 mwk

Facility Name: BJG Team Leader & Monitors:	Nelson Coleman Correctional Center Cpt. Carmisha Stinson (BJG Leader), Major. Daven Jenkins,
	Lt. Shecawanayaki Matthews (BJG Members)
Facility Warden & Email Address:	Major Alvin Robinson: arobinson@stcharlessheriff.org
Facility Staff:	Major Alvin Robinson (Warden),
	Jessica Troxclair (Assistant Warden),
	Joylyn Edwards (Administrative Secretary)
BJG Inspection Date:	September 28, 2023
Previous BJG Inspection Date:	September 23, 2022
Operational Capacity:	628
Count on Day of Visit:	203

# Concerns or Issues from the previous BJG Monitoring Inspection:

	# MALE	# FEMALE	TOTAL
Number of DOC Offenders	40	1	41
Number of Local Offenders	86	10	96
Number of Out of State Offenders	0	0	0
Number of Federal Offenders	66	0	66
Number of ICE Detainees	0	0	0
TOTAL	192	11	203

## Number of DOC Offenders that are:

Single Bunked	0
Double Bunked	40
Triple Bunked	0
Total	40
Number of DOC Offenders that are in R	estricted Housing:
Single Bunked	1
Double Bunked	0
Triple Bunked	
	0

Month/Year	Off/Off	Off/Off w/sig inj	Offender/Staff	Off/Staff w/sig inj
September 2022	0	0	0	0
October 2022	1	0	0	0
November 2022	1	0	0	0
December 2022	1	0	0	0
January 2023	2	0	0	0
February 2023	1	0	0	0
March 2023	2	0	1	0
April 2023	6	0	1	0
May 2023	5	0	0	0
June 2023	9	0	1	0
July 2023	1	0	0	0
August 2023	1	0	0	0

ASSAULTS: (Please list monthly since the previous BJG monitoring visit.)

#### SEIZURE FINDINGS: (Please list monthly since the previous BJG monitoring visit.)

Month/Year	Illicit Substance	Alcohol	Weapon	Cell Phone	Other
September 2022	0	0	0	0	0
October 2022	0	11	0	0	6
November 2022	0	0	0	0	0
December 2022	0	1	0	0	0
January 2023	0	0	0	0	1
February 2023	0	0	0	0	0
March 2023	0	0	0	0	14
April 2023	0	0	0	0	0
May 2023	1	0	1	0	0
June 2023	0	0	0	0	0
July 2023	0	0	0	0	0
August 2023	0	0	0	0	1
September 2023	0	0	0	0	0

## GENERAL APPEARANCE, CLEANLINESS, AND COMMENTS OF THE FACILITY:

Living Area: During the walk through the living areas were found clean, in order, and odor free

**Dorms**: Dormitory areas were in order and clean and all offenders' property was properly stored in living area.

Cell Block: The area was clean and odor free.

**Culinary/Dining**: During the inspection, the kitchen was not preparing any meals at the time. The kitchen was very well organized and clean. The storage areas were very organized and clean. All items were labeled and dated. No food or boxes were stored on the floor. Sample trays were labeled and dated. The freezer and cooler logs were done daily and in range temps. Food menus and certificates were visible. All tools were locked up and were on a shadow board and were engraved.

**Bathrooms**: Bathrooms area were clean and odor free. All toilets, faucets, and showers were in good working condition with proper running cold and hot water.

Yard Areas: The recreation area is a large spacious area.

**Maintenance**: All maintenance is done in house at this facility. A walk through was performed in the area. The area was well organized. Tool logs were well-kept and in place. All tool boxes and shadow boxes were

locked. An inspection on the tool logbook was done and was accurate. MSDS forms and book were accurate.

REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING BASIC JAIL GUIDELINES: (Compliant or Non-Compliant)

- I-A-001 Safety/Sanitation/Inspections (MANDATORY): Compliant The facility is conducting weekly inspections. Fire Marshall and DHH inspections are done annually.
- I-C-001 Emergency Plan (MANDATORY): Compliant An emergency plan is in place. Employees are very knowledgeable and trained in the Emergency plan. Emergency exit signs were posted around the facility and well-lit.
- I-C-003 Fire Safety/Code Conformance (MANDATORY): Compliant Policies and procedures are in place
- II-A-006 Staff Log (MANDATORY): Compliant
- II-A-007 Counts (MANDATORY): Compliant
  - How many formal counts are conducted each shift? Three
  - How many counts are conducted each day? Three
  - Stick outs counts
    - > How does the facility accomplish this? No stick outs are being done.
    - Does this process ensure accountability and safe/secure operation of the facility? Yes
- II-A-008 Offender Population Management System: Compliant The facility keeps all information documented and maintained on all offenders and the information is transferred out once the offender is transferred out

#### II-A-010 Admissions: Compliant

Policy and procedure in place with all forms being complete.

## II-A-012 Classification System: Compliant

Does this facility have any trustees that work outside the secure perimeter? Yes

If yes,

- What is their classification process to determine who is eligible for trustee status? Yes offender criminal history and NCIC are pulled and reviewed before the final signoff and approval by the administration under set policies and guidelines.
- Does their classification process meet DPS&C, Corrections Services' criteria? Yes

II-A-016 Photo Identification (MANDATORY): Compliant Upon admission, all offenders received an institutional ID card

II-A-018 Offender Drug Testing (MANDATORY): (List monthly since the previous BJG monitoring visit.)

Month/Year	# DOC Tested	Total DOC Pop	% Tested	# Positive
September 2022	11	41	27%	0
October 2022	12	40	30%	0
November 2022	12	44	27%	0
December 2022	12	37	32%	0
January 2023	11	32	34%	0
February 2023	10	32	27%	0
March 2023	17	31	55%	0
April 2023	8	40	20%	0
May 2023	9	42	21%	0
June 2023	10	33	30%	0
July 2023	10	35	29%	0
August 2023	12	34	35%	0

## II-A-019 Offender Transfers: Compliant

Paperwork is completed and approved before any offender transfers are completed

#### II-A-020 Cell Checks (MANDATORY): Compliant

The facility has procedures that state the officer shall make rounds every 15-20 minutes in the area. The officer also has documented log books that indicate all rounds noted

# II-B-002-1 Use of Restraints for Pregnant Offenders: Compliant

The facility policy is compliant with DOC Regulation.

## II-C-001 Procedures for Searches: Compliant

The facility conducts visual body searches on all offenders upon entering and exiting the facility. Staff has a documented log book that contains recorded shakedowns. Policy and procedure are in place for all searches.

#### II-D-001 Key, Tool, and Utensil Control (MANDATORY): Compliant

The facility's keys, utensils, and tools were in order. All inventories and documentation are well kept. A locked shadow board was in place for culinary utensils that were used.

#### III-A-001 Rules and Discipline (MANDATORY): Compliant

- Does the facility's offender orientation include the application process for applying for restoration of good time? Yes
- What is their restoration of good time application process for the offender population? Offenders are given applications upon request and forwarded to headquarters for further handling
- Does their restoration of good time application process meet DPS&C, Corrections Services' criteria? Yes
- IV-A-003 Food/Dietary Allowances (MANDATORY): Compliant Contracted with Correctional Food Services

#### IV-A-006 Food Services Management (MANDATORY): Compliant A cycle menu was posted and in place with at least two hot meals served daily. Observed

sample trays located in the cooler for at least 72 hours.

IV-B-001	Plumbing Fixtures – Toilets & Washbasins (MANDATORY): Compliant All toilets and washbasins were in good working condition with available access
IV-B-002	Plumbing Fixtures – Showers (MANDATORY): Compliant All showers were working properly with observable water temperature
IV-B-005	<b>Personal Hygiene (MANDATORY):</b> Compliant All offenders are provided with basic necessities for maintaining personal hygiene.
IV-C-001	Access to Care/Clinical Services (MANDATORY) (Does the facility charge a co-payment? If so, approved by DPS&C?): Compliant Offenders receive a facility handbook upon orientation into the facility on access to medical/health care.
IV-C-003	Provision of Treatment (MANDATORY): Compliant Policy and procedure in place.
IV-C-005	<b>24 Hour Care (MANDATORY):</b> Compliant Offenders have access to 24-hour care at the facility
IV-C-006-1	Pregnancy Management (MANDATORY): Compliant Policy and procedure in place
ľV-C-008	<b>Annual TB Testing</b> : Compliant The facility has record TB testing at no cost and this is done upon intake and annually.
IV-C-009	Chronic Care Program (MANDATORY): Compliant Policy and procedure in place
IV-C-012	Access to Sick Call (MANDATORY): Compliant Offenders can request sick call during medication pass daily and is seen within 72 hours. The offenders can also request sick call through the offender tablet which is generated through a system. Medical providers are available daily.
IV-C-013	Infirmary Care: Compliant The facility has 24/7 medical care services.
IV-C-013-1	<b>Medical Releases</b> (Medical Parole, Medical Treatment Furlough, and/or Compassionate Release): Compliant: Policy in place
IV-C-014	Suicide Prevention and Intervention (MANDATORY): Compliant The facility has mental health staff to evaluate offenders to manage their need and treatment. Staff is trained on suicide prevention training.
IV-C-015	<b>Offender Deaths (MANDATORY):</b> Compliant The facility has a policy in place for steps to be taken in the event of an offender's death.
IV-C-016	<b>Notification:</b> Compliant Policy and protocol to follow to notify the offender's family if the offender is in ICU.
IV-D-001	Healthcare Quarterly Meetings (MANDATORY): Compliant Documented health care meetings at least quarterly.

IV-D-004	<b>Confidentiality of Health Information/Individual Health Record:</b> Compliant Access to offender medical information and files are controlled and restricted to those who have legal authority. Medical records are stored in a secure restricted area and are forwarded with offenders upon transfer to another facility or to DPS&C.				
IV-006-1	Emergency Assessment for Intoxication or Suspected Intoxication (MANDATORY): Compliant: Policy in place.				
IV-D-007	Internal Review/Quality Assurance (MANDATORY): Compliant Policy is in place				
IV-E-001	Alleged and Substantiated Sexual Assaults: Compliant				
	<ul> <li>Is this facility required to be PREA compliant due to contract language? Yes</li> <li>Is this facility PREA compliant? Yes</li> <li>If yes, date compliance received: 2/12/2023</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>If this facility is required to be PREA compliant due to contract language, and has not done so, what is their plan of action for compliance? N/A</li> </ul>				
V-A-004	Religious Programs: Compliant				
V-A-005	<b>Exercise &amp; Recreation Access (MANDATORY):</b> Compliant The facility has a policy in place for recreation. Offenders are offered recreation at least 3 times a week weather permitting.				
V-B-001	Programs and Services: Compliant				
	<ul> <li>List all Certified Treatment Programs (Attach Form IS-B-8-b)</li> <li>List all other Offender Programs</li> </ul>				
V-B-002	Educational Programming: Compliant				
	GED Program				
	Number of GED Slots 0				
	Number of Participants0				
	YTD Number of Completions				
V-B-003	Substance Abuse Programs: Compliant				
V-C-001	Releasing Offenders: Compliant				
V-C-002	<b>Regional Reentry Programs</b> (Are offenders releasing with two valid forms of identification?): Compliant offenders are released with two forms of ID.				
V-C-004	Parole Board Procedures: Compliant Policy and procedure in place				

#### VI-B-002 Grievance Process (MANDATORY): Compliant

- Does the grievance process include at least two levels of review? Yes
- Who is the designee at each level of review? Supervisor, Captain, Major
- What is the specified time period for response at each level? 30 days at each level

VII-A-002 Weapons Training: Compliant Staff are POST certified and receive training on the use of handling and retention of weapons.

VII-B-010 Monthly Reporting: Compliant

#### VII-B-012 Proposed Expansions: None at this time

<u>STAFF COMMENTS/MORALE/GENERAL OBSERVATIONS</u>: Staff was very knowledgeable about their job. Staff was very respectful and professional. Nelson Coleman Correctional staff welcomed their guest with a warm presence and was very polite. This facility overall was clean and well maintained and the kitchen was phenomenally clean and well kept. The staff also communicated well with one another and the overall morale was great.

**OFFENDER COMMENTS/MORALE/QUALITY OF LIFE**: Offenders stated they were being treated fairly and the facility provides a great environment for the offenders. The offenders did state that they were concerned about classes not being offered by DOC for good time at this time. No other complaints were made to the monitoring team.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Continued annual monitoring visits are recommended at this time.



# Office of State Fire Marshal

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# Inspection Report

Report # CB-22-021002-1

John Bel Edwards GOVERNOR

#### No Deficient/Cautionary Codes cited.

Daniel H. Wallis FIRE MARSHAL

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For questions regarding the contents of this report, please call:

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#### STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Retail Food Notice of Violations

Routine/Renewal

Permit Number	Permit Name	Permit Name				
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Name of Establishment NELSON COLEMAN COR	Owner Name ST CHARLES PARISH SHERIFF DEPT		SHERIFF DEPT			
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5061 HIGHWAY 3127 KILLONA, LA 70066		09/22/2023	10:00 AM			

#### LAC TITLE 51 PART XXIII

#### **Comments:**

Copy of report emailed to fchambers@stcharlessheriff.org

#### NOTICE RS 40:31.38 (ACT 66)

RS 40:31.38 (ACT 66) authorizes the Louisiana Department of Health to charge a fee of \$150 to any permitted facility that fails to correct the necessary sanitary code violations to be in compliance at the time of its follow up inspection (1st re-inspection). Re-inspections are required when there are five or more uncorrected non-critical violations and/or one or more uncorrected critical violations remaining at the conclusion of an inspection. The fee is only charged if the necessary violations are not corrected before the 2nd re-inspection and other subsequent re-inspections. Facilities can avoid this fee if the violations noted on the routine inspection report are corrected by, or during, the follow up inspection. If a fee is assessed, the \$150 fee is payable within 30 days' notice, and failure to pay shall result in revocation of the permit.

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