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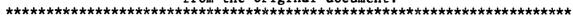
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ABSTRACT

This documents consists of a list by state of programs sponsored by the American Bar Association to teach law related education in correctional institutions and other juvenile justice settings. The directory lists 14 programs in institutional schools and diversion programs in 17 states. Under the diversion programs, first time or misdemeanor offenders participate in law related education programs on decision making skills, basic legal responsibilities, criminal and family law, early gang involvement, educational motivation, cultural pride, parenting skills, and substance abuse, among others. The directory lists coordinators, aduresses, and phone numbers for teen courts in 16 states. In several of the states, more than one location is identified. Combination programs are identified and described in four states, California, Kentucky, Oregon, and Wisconsin. In addition, community based programs in Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New York, and Virginia are described. Other activities include a group in Pennsylvania that has developed a Pennsylvania-specific juvenile justice manual and teachers' guide that is used in juvenile justice facilities throughout the state. A Seattle, Washington group is listed that has developed a law related education curriculum and manual for juvenile justice facilities in that state. (DK)

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INSTITUTIONAL SCHOOLS

Alabama

Multiple Locations

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. LRE has been implemented at three of Alabama's training schools. Using lessons from the three NTDP curriculum projects, LRE instruction is provided twice a week for one-hour. An important aspect of the program has been the involvement of law students who assist with the lessons, moot courts, and mock trials. At one site, first offenders (boys and girls) participate in boot camp which lasts four to six weeks, depending on their progress through four levels. Using lessons from the three NTDP curriculum projects, LRE is integrated into their four-hour school day.

Training for the institutional school teachers has been provided and supported by the Alabama LRE State Coordinator as part of LRE workshops for regular public school teachers. All of the trainees have benefited from the exchange of ideas and insights into student behavior that have resulted from these combined trainings.

The program has enjoyed outstanding administrative support and has recently established a steering committee of educators and line staff to provide guidance and support as LRE expands within the institutional schools.

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California

Multiple Locations

The California Youth Authority teaches an Impact of Crime on Victims program in its institutions and camps. Depending on the facility's resources, between 35 and 60 hours of classtime are spent. Victims' services advocates and providers participate in the program. Mediation skills are taught. All facilities, regardless of security status, have community service projects. They include fighting fires, making items for sale and donating the profits, conducting runs for victims and getting pledges, and making a video on burglary prevention and selling it (This was done by burglary offenders.)

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Colorado

Multiple Locations

Lathrop Youth Camp in Walsenburg, Grand Mesa Training School in Grand Junction, and Lookout Mountain Training School for Boys in Golden uses LRE in their school programs.

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Georgia

Atlanta

Working through the Young Lawyers' mock trial program at a minimum security facility, youth with leadership potential were identified. They participated in the program's week-long summer law camp with youth from public high schools. The camp was held at a conference center.

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lowa

Eldora

The Eldora State Training School for Boys pioneered LRE. The program is conducted in the living units under the direction of the child care staff. The previous curriculum is being integrated intoo a program to meet state requirements for education for juvenile offenders. A certification program for LRE trainers has been established. The program has been extensively evaluated by the lowa Center for LRE.

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Kansas

Topeka

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The social studies curriculum includes nine weeks of Street Law, with an emphasis on involving community resource people. Participants have included Juvenile Court judges, state legislators, attorneys, and a representative from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Topics addressed include consumer, juvenile, and adult law, and legal issues of AIDS. The project is establishing a LRE lending library as part of their juvenile justice law library, which is a component of the statewide inter-library loan system.

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Maryland

Baltimore

The Charles H. Hickey School, a maximum security facility has worked with the Center/LRE Program to develop a LRE curriculum, "It's Better to Build a Kid," and has integrated it into their school program.

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Minnesota

Anoka County

The Anoka County Correction Programs School integrates LRE into its social studies curriculum, which emphasizes the Bill of Rights and individual rights after arrest.

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New York

Multiple Locations

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. Five facilities piloted and implemented LRE in a variety of modalities: school units, residential units, and as a component of an evening recreation program. The system has also integrated LRE into independent living skills curriculum in three settings: Independent Living Skills Program; Reporting Center, where youth living at home report after school and on week-ends for counseling, recreation, and supervision; and Aftercare.

In April staff of the five original sites met to evaluate lessons, strategies, materials and determine future directions. The project provides technical assistance, resources, and support to the different sites, including the Brooklyn District Attorney's Project Legal Lives and the New York City Juvenile Probation staff. The agency's trainers have changed their training methodology to be more interactive. It also publishes a quarterly newsletter about the project which is distributed to the facilities, all resource people, educators, and State Division for Youth administrators.

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North Carolina

Multiple Locations

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. LRE has been integrated into social studies strands in five state training schools. It is also being taught in the schools' lock-up units. The mini-law day seminars, held in both settings, has been highly successful. Their format includes mock trials, role-plays, lessons, and extensive use of community resource people. In addition to infusing LRE in the academic program, LRE is being integrated into vocational programs. For example, home economics will include lessons on family law.

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Ohio

Scioto Village and Riverview

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The project, which focuses on learning disabled youth, developed a LRE scope and sequence and course of study which were adopted by the Ohio Department of Education for a half credit elective course. A directory of resource persons available to be used by all the Department of Youth Services schools is being developed. The living units have begun to include LRE activities in their groups. The regular LRE teachers and the Special Education LRE teachers have joined together for sessions with community resource people, studying court cases, and mock trials.



The special education teachers are teaching two LRE classes of ten students. They are using lessons on authority and juvenile law and discussing the current "hot" issue in Ohio--the finger-printing and photographing of juveniles. The regular education teachers are teaching three LRE classes of 40 students. Information about the LRE project is being disseminated to other institutions in the Department of Youth Services system.

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Columbus

The Ohio Center for LRE includes mock trials at a boys' state training school in the state competition.

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Rhode Island

Providence

The Ocean State Center for Law and Citizenship Education conducts an eight week LRE class at the boys' training school.

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Texas

Multiple Locations

Street Law is incorporated into the training school curricula.

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Wyoming

Worland

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The school is reorganizing into an alternative school model. LRE strategies will be integrated throughout the curriculum. The living units continue to have two LRE lessons a week as part of the daily small group meetings. These are facilitated by an inter-disciplinary team. In addition, cottage parents use LRE activities two to three times weekly during the "structured interaction" time period.

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Wyoming Boys School

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DIVERSION

Arkansas

Jefferson County

In lieu of probation, misdemeanor offenders participate in a 12 week LRE course. They are tracked for a year after they have completed the course.

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California

Orange County

Program Shortstop/Programa Shortstop is for first time offenders. The English version was developed in 1979 and has an 87% success rate. The Spanish version was developed in 1989 emphasizes communication between at risk Hispanic youth and their monolingual parents, providing parents knowledge about the legal system so they can better assist their children in making responsible decisions, and cultural pride. Both programs use volunteer attorneys, legal professionals, therapists, and California Youth Authority wards who address the families in the graphic setting of a courtroom and holding cell. Issues such as early gang involvement, educational motivation, parenting skills, substance abuse, communication, peer pressure, victim awareness, consequences of criminal behavior, and setting positive goals toward a life plan are addressed. Referrals come from police, parents, and schools in addition to the juvenile court.

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District of Columbia

The Washington, D^o, District Courts, in conjunction with NICEL, developed the Street Law diversion program. Two-hour sessions are conducted for twelve weeks for first offenders, ages 12-16. They deal with basic legal responsibilities, improving decision-making skills. Lesson content includes criminal and family law, juvenile justice issues, mock hearings and trials.

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Georgia

Multiple Locations

The Georgia Juvenile Court System has approximately 30 LRE court diversion programs statewide. The Carl Vinson Institute provides the training and follow-up.

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Idaho Pocatello

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The program targets younger offenders ages 12-14. Based on her participation in the ABA's National Leadership Seminar, the coordinator designed posters which ask LRE-related questions and will be used for pre-and post-tests. The six hour Saturday program focuses on rules and alcohol-related issues. High school students assist with teaching the classes and then work together with the youth on community service projects that they themselves have selected. Because of the program's success, the coordinator Joanne Ries was selected Bannock County Employee of the Year.

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Illinois

Grundy County

Youth who are on informal supervision, first time misdemeanor offenders, or are police referrals participate in eight hours of classes. The last class is focused around a video of the local detention facility.

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lowa

7th Judicial District Juvenile Court

A 12 week program is conducted with youth with the following designations: informal adjustments, consent decree (a delinquency filing has been made but with no adjudication), probationers, adjudicated delinquents. LRE lessons include topics such as anger, attitudes and awareness, date rape, sexually transmitted diseased, alcohol and other drug abuse.

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Kansas

Multiple Locations

The Kansas Supreme Court service officers conduct a variety of diversion programs. Four districts conduct a 10 week Street Law program for first time offenders. Another district conducts a modified Street Law program. One district conducts a week-end intervention program for first time DUI offenders which includes LRE. One district conducts an intensive one year program for sexual offenders which combines mental health services, supervision, court services, and LRE. One district conducts a four-hour alcohol and other drug intervention program which combines LRE, mental health and court services.

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Kentucky

Multiple Locations

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The LRE program is under the auspices of the Supreme Court of Kentucky. Five four-day training sessions have been conducted for Court-Designated Workers and community resource persons at 43 of Kentucky's 59 judicial districts. LRE is institutionalized at 34 of the sites. In 1991 254 first or second time offenders participated in the program. The project's first evaluation demonstrated a recidivism rate of 7.9%. The recidivism rate for similar offenders without LRE is 12% in rural areas and 22% in urban centers.

Many of the offenders found their LRE experience so rewarding that they requested an opportunity to become involved in LRE. In at least four sites, a teen court has been developed in which diversion program graduates serve as attorneys and jury members for youth who have been charged with misdemeanors. A juvenile court judge presides and considers the teen jury's recommendations for disposition which include restitution, community service, alcohol and other drug evaluation, and a variety of educational programs, and participation in teen court.

This fall teleconferences will highlight the juvenile justice system for elementary students throughout the state. LRE lesson packets will be mailed to schools prior to the teleconferences.

The project has attracted extensive media attention and enjoys the enthusiastic support of the Chief Justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court who has established a Roundtable of representatiaves from the education and justice communities to provide advice and assistance to the program. In collaboration with the Cabinet for Human Services, the Kentucky Judiciary and National Juvenile Detention Association staff, plans are underway for a grant proposal that would expand LRE on a continuum from diversion through residential treatment and aftercare.

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Massachusetts

Boston

The Citizenship Training Group, Inc., a non-profit organization which offers court-involved youth preventive education and evaluation services operates two diversion projects via the YMCA and Girls' Center. The program affirms the rewards of a law-abiding life, gives retraining four days a week for 12 weeks under the supervision of probabtion officers trained in LRE.

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New Hampshire

Keene

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. A permanent instructor, who has a teaching background and is a community leader, was hired. The program has expanded to include female offenders. The lessons cover a range of subject matter and culminate in a mock trial with the Juvenile Court Judge presiding and parents serving as the jury.

Contact:

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Keene, NH 03431-0364

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Project LEGAL operates PLACE (<u>Project Legal's Alternative through Community service and Education</u>) for first offenders referred by the county probation intake department. It is a 12 hour LRE course for 12 to 15 year olds. Part of the course is to go through the juvenile intake process so they will know what happens if they are arrested after they are 16. The community service component is under the auspices of a local volunteer center and the youths' local town governmental agencies.

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Ohio

Cleveland

Violence Anonymous is a county-wide diversion program which uses a three-prong approach: a curriculum based on Street Law, community service, and leadership development. Participants are taught and practice conflict resolution skills.

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Rhode Island

Statewide

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The program's focus is on mediation and conflict resolution for first offenders. It is so popular that youth have brought their friends and parents to the classes. The project is expanding to two additional parts of the state.

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South Carolina

Multiple Locations

The Department of Youth Services conducts 10 week, 20 hour pre-adjudication programs using the Choices curriculum developed by a law professor at the University of South Carolina Law School. It is being used with youth on probation, in state facilities, group homes, and a recreational center serving inner city youth. It also includes a parenting training component. They have conducted an evaluation of the program which is available upon request.

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South Dakota

Sturgis

The Meade county Juvenile Court has a 90 day diversion classification. Youth in this classification have the opportunity to select between the LRE diversion program and and community service only. The LRE diversion program includes classes which meet for two hours two nights a week for five weeks and a four to five hour related community service project. The program is expanding to an eight week course.

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Tennessee

Madison County

The diversion programs is post-adjudication intervention for first-time minor property offenders (ex. shoplifting). Classes meet one and a half hours for 12 weeks. They include mock trials, tours and lessons based on Street Law. Community attorneys are involved as volunteer teachers.

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Knax County

The pre-adjudication program is based on the Street Law diversion program. First offenders meet for two hours for 8-10 weeks.

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Virginia

Norfolk

The Street Law Program began in 1987 for pre-adjudicated youth. It has been expanded to include youth who are on probation for the first time. Sessions meet for two hours for eight weeks. An evaluation study was conducted, using a control group. Since 1987 over 600 youth have completed the program. The completion rate is 89%. Youth are tracked for two years after completion. Figures for youth who completed during the first year showed that 25% of the control group and 15% of the Street Law group were convicted of subsequent offenses. Participants are given pre and post tests and complete an anonymous evaluation. Volunteers are used as instructors. Each class has twelve youth and two instructors.

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Texas

Multiple Locations

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DETENTION

Colorado

Denver

Attorneys conduct informal LRE class sessions with youth.

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Multiple Locations

Project PRINCE (Preparing Instructional Teams to Teach Effective Citizenship Education) has conducted training with intake workers of detention facilities in Colorado. The training consists of 5 days, 40 hours.

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Illinois

LaSalle County

Weekly LRE lessons are used as part of the detention center's evening group activities program.

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Missouri

St. Louis

Juvenile Responsibility and the Law" and drug prevention lessons are integrated into the LRE program, which emphasizes responsibility, drug prevention, and anti-violence. The LRE program is a component of the Drug- Free Schools and Community Program.

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New Jersey Camden

The detention facility pioneered LRE in detention settings. Their program includes individual student packets, one to two day lessons, and mock trials.

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Utah

Cedar City

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. LRE is the core curriculum for the detention center, which has an excellent rapport with community resource people. Staff have been able to access them on a few minutes notice to moderate discussions and over 89 community people have participated in the program. Project staff have conducted training sessions for the state and at a state youth detention conference.

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Southwest Utah Youth Correctional Facility

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Salt Lake City

The detention center conducts three LRE classes daily.

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Virginia

Rappahannock

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The detention facility has been field-testing lessons from a draft detention curriculum from NICEL. They videotape their own mock trials and then show them as part of the unit's recreation program. In August the program sponsored a statewide workshop for detention staff and teachers to promote dissemination of LRE.

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COMBINATION PROGRAMS

California

Santa Clara

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The project includes four community schools, two schools serving group homes and one residential correctional school. Since the program's inception, approximately 200 students have received LRE instruction. At one of the schools, the youth hold their own court trials for minor infractions occurring at school. A teacher presides over the hearing. Students serve as attorneys, witnesses, court personnel, and jurors. Volunteer attorneys coach the teacher and students. A recent trial was held for a student who had been charged with child abuse for abandoning his "flour baby" --part of a living skills project.

Three one-day LRE training sessions have been conducted. Police officers and attorneys who serve as community resource people have been trained in LRE strategies. LRE staff from the various sites meet quarterly to share resources, ideas, successes, and concerns as they implement their LRE programs. Six staff members attended LRE in juvenile justice settings national conferences. Three teachers new to the LRE program will be attending the LRE in juvenile justice settings conference in San Antonio.

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San Diego

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. This project includes a day center, community schools, and detention. Two of the project's sites competed against each other at the mock trial competition at the San Diego Courthouse. Youth participated in the "We the People" Bicentennial competition. In April the staff involved in the project met to debrief the project and plan next year's program which may include a mentor program and an expanded Bicentennial competition.

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Kentucky

Lexington

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The diversion aspect of the project has three components: The first offenders program is divided into two groups. One is for youth age 12. LRE has been integrated into a living skills curriculum called "Early Intervention Means Prevention" which addresses the following topics: rules and responsibility, good school behavior, child abuse, victimization, drugs and alcohol, the friends I choose, and HIV prevention. Parents are asked to attend the orientation and wrap-up party, although they are welcome at all the sessions. The 14-16 year old youth use the same curriculum that has been written on a more difficult level and is called "Responsibility 101." In conjunction with the YWCA, a diversion from detention program keeps youth out of detention. They attend a program four nights a week, with one night devoted to LRE.



The detention school program includes LRE lessons twice a week. The primary community resource person has been a legal aid attorney, who has become very enthusiastic about his involvement with the youth and the different perspective of them he has gained because he now sees them more than during the traditional few minutes he sees them at the time of the court hearing.

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Oregon

Portland

The Juvenile Justice Division offers three LRE programs. (1) An adaptation of the Street Law program for gang members is held two hours a week for 12 weeks. 70% of the youth are ages 14-19. A family component involves home visits made to invite the parents to the LRE program. The youth are seen twice a week by probation staff. (2) The detention program teaches LRE for one and a half hour three times a week. (3) The diversion program is adapted from Street Law and targets first and second offenders, ages 12-14. The two-hour sessions are held for 12 weeks.

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Wisconsin

Eau Claire

This site was an NTDP demonstration project. The project is conducted in detention and a group home. They have taken a multi-media approach to lessons by combining information from film strips, videos, films, newspaper and magazine articles, and plays. Wisconsin law has been incorporated into the lessons which focus on relevant issues of interest to the youth such as date rape, parenthood, and health. Detention has daily LRE lessons. Project staff meets periodically with the Juvenile Court judges to ascertain relevant issues from their perspective. Two social work interns from the University of Wisconsin--Eau Claire have developed an alcohol and education program and pre and post tests for the LRE lessons. A resource library of LRE materials has been established.

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COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

Kentucky

Multiple Locations

In a cooperative effort, the Wal-Mart Company and the Supreme Court of Kentucky's Administrative Office of the Courts have developed teams of a law enforcement office, a Wal-Mart manager and loss prevention agent, and a juvenile office. They provide interactive learning sessions regarding shoplifting to 4th-6th grade students.

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Maryland

Clarksville

The Gateway School, an alternative high school which serves juvenile court youth, has integrated LRE into their social studies curriculum.

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Massachusetts

Boston

The Judicial Youth Corps is a partnership between the Massachusetts Courts and the Boston Public Schools. It combines LRE with a paid summer internship in the courts for inner-city high school students. The program includes (1) weekly education sessions on legal and court-related issues. Interns participate in mock eviction hearings and role plays. They observe court proceedings by sitting next to the judge and other court personnel. (2) Under the supervision of court employees, who provide guidance, on-the-job training, and mentoring, youth prepare daily dockets, respond to phone inquiries, update and file court records. (3) a one-day training about LRE is conducted by a team of judges, court administrators, and educators for high school teachers.

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Worcester

YOU, Inc., is a nonprofit human services organization which includes the Kathleen Burns Preparatory School, a ten month educational program for youth needing special education services and the McGrath Education Center for youth in residential facilities. LRE is integrated into both programs. LRE with special education students was pioneered in this organization.

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New Mexico

Multiple Locations

The Center has prepared three manuals on mediation to assist juvenile justice staff in the development and implementation of a mediation program, which has three components: (1) conflict resolution curriculum--communications, problem-solving, emotions management, (2) mediation program with training as mediators, and (3) parent-child mediation as preliminary to leaving the institution. Components can be used individually or in combination. There are manuals for each component. Model for the programs is a partnership between community mediation programs and the juvenile facility.

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New York

Brooklyn

Project Legal Lives, founded by the District Attorney's Office, works with an alternative high school. Attorneys conduct a weekly Street Law class, bring students to court, and involve judges. The project conducts the same program with the Gateway Job Corps, a residential program that includes homeless youth involved in the juvenile justice system, and Harvey Milk High School, an alternative school for gay and lesbian youth. In this project, the attorneys involved are gay or lesbian.

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Virginia

Virginia Beach

First offenders convicted of all but violent offenses participate in a seven-week Street Law program. Probationers with more serious offenses and aftercare youth participate in a seven-week Teens, Crime, and Community program and complete a community service project.

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OTHER LRE/JUVENILE JUSTICE ACTIVITIES

Pennsylvania

Multiple Locations

Temple-LEAP has developed a Pennsylvania-specific juvenile justice manual and teachers' guide. The guide is used avenile justice facilities throughout the state, including as a one-week infusion class in institutional schools, a special event program in detention centers, and in preparation for mock trials.

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Washington

Seattle

In conjunction with the Institute for Citizen Education in the Law, the Council has developed a LRE curriculum and manual for juvenile justice facilities in the state.

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