

2014
POLICY

Connecticut creates JJPOC

Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee establishes goals to reduce reliance on juvenile justice system and to reform policies that hinder youths' opportunities to success

2015
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Connecticut aligns JJ laws with US Supreme Court ruling in *Miller v. Alabama* to:

- Retroactively eliminate life without parole
- Shorten time to parole

Passes legislation that prohibits out-of-school suspensions and expulsions of children in pre-K through 2nd grade and includes behavioral health and disciplinary issues in school health screenings

2016
POLICY

Connecticut reforms JJ by:

- Extending restrictions on use of restraint and seclusion to all public school students
- Passing legislation to decriminalize status offenses such as truancy, defiance of school rules, running away from home
- Consolidating all oversight and juvenile justice functions within the Judicial Branch Court Support Services Division

2017

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI develops new approaches to youth justice and best practices training for youth-oriented professionals

- Launches Transforming Youth Justice Program
- TYJI collaborates with the Child Health and Development Institute to begin training school faculty and administrators in restorative justice practices

2017

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

TYJI creates advisory council of experts and advisors

First TYJI Issue Brief released

2018

POLICY

JJPOC sets policy goals to address conditions that cause youth to enter the system:

- Develop community-based diversion plan
- Create school-based diversion framework
- Focus on trauma approach to suspensions and expulsions
- Develop prearrest diversion plans

JJPOC monitors the closing of Connecticut Juvenile Training School

2019

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JJPOC establishes education unit to oversee transition of educational credits for youth in confinement

JJPOC launches Improving Outcomes for Youth (IOYouth) Task Force to assess juvenile justice reform implementation and impact

2019

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI receives OJJDP Cooperative Agreements and works with partners to:

- Reduce racial and ethnic disparities
- Increase community-based diversion

2021

POLICY

Connecticut raises the minimum age of juvenile arrest from seven to ten years old

2021

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI creates *Fact vs. Fiction* series:

- Shaping a Service Approach in JJ Facilities
- Raising Up Our Youth
- Hearing the Truth About Car Theft in Connecticut

2020

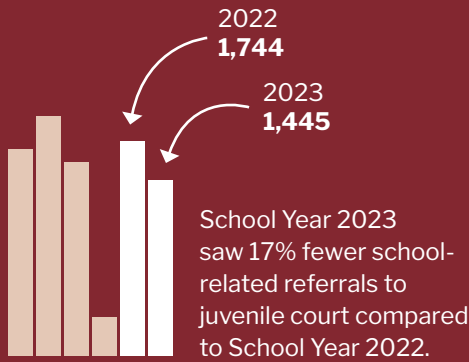
EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI begins restorative practices training for Youth Service Bureaus, Manson Youth Institute, Bridgeport Public Schools, and other organizations through OJJDP funding award

TYJI launches Social Justice Program in New Haven high schools

2014–2017: Sets the Stage with Policy Successes and Training

2018–2021: Expands Juvenile Justice System Reform and Training



2022

POLICY

Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee continues to deepen its work in the community

- Implements oversight of educational services for children in juvenile justice facilities
- Implements oversight of a close-to-home model of residential facilities
- Develops comprehensive reentry model for children returning from juvenile justice facilities
- Evaluates gender-responsive services
- Focuses on reentry

Transforming Children's Behavioral Health Policy and Planning Committee Created

2024

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI holds second-annual Pathways to Success conference

TYJI develops and launches restorative justice resource hub

2023

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TYJI expands Social Justice School statewide

TYJI launches Pathways to Success conference

2022–2024: Deepens Commitment to Juvenile Justice and Multi-System Reform