

A Day's Schedule at...

CCC #4 (Philadelphia)

Philadelphia CCC #4 has 22 bedrooms. The facility has a full service kitchen but does not prepare and distribute meals. Reentrants obtain food stamps upon arrival and purchase their own desired food to prepare at their leisure. Reentrants may also utilize the center grills outside to BBQ meals. The center is equipped with a laundry room, workout room, and resource/group room. There is a large dayroom which contains a pool table and games, as well as televisions with cable, DVD player, and video games. Reentrants are provided with lockers/wardrobe and bins for personal item storage.

Reentrants at CCC #2 begin their day at 0615 hours (6:15 am) with a standing count. After count, they get ready for the day. Medication line is conducted and center morning chores/cleanup are completed.

Reentrants begin utility sign-outs at 0800 hours (8 am). Reentrants have a minimum of 8 hours to sign out on a daily basis. During these sign-outs, they obtain identification and other necessary documentation/benefits, job search, attend appointments, shop for needed items, attend treatment, spend time with family and friends and spend time in the community as needed.

Within the center, seminars are held by counselors for employment, housing, finances, community service, and other reentry-related support. Parole staff come to the center to meet with reentrants at different times throughout the day. After returning from sign-outs, reentrants have time within the center to do laundry, make meals, shower, go to medication line, attend workshops, and/or just relax.

Evening workshops are held with different themes to promote positive interactions and learning of different, general skills. After 2100 hours (9 pm) standing count, reentrants begin evening center chores/clean up.

At 2300 hours (11 pm), the dayroom is closed and reentrants are to remain in their rooms for the night.

Reentrants that are employed are given longer sign-out times that are adjusted as needed to allow time for both work and leisure time daily. Employed reentrants are also eligible for overnight furloughs as long as they meet the conditions of eligibility.

The center promotes reestablishment of positive relationships with friends and family. The counselors assist reentrants with obtaining employment and necessary documentation to obtain employment. They also assist with making referrals for treatment needs, mentoring, family reunification assistance, as well as medical and mental health needs. There is clothing at the center for indigent reentrants to have if needed. There are also local organizations that provide food, clothing, transportation, and more to those in need.