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Who Are We?

- 24 Juvenile Detention Centers
- 3 Hospital Education Programs and Clinics
- 7 Off Site Clinics
- 2 Juvenile Mental Health Facilities**
- 5 Adult Mental Health Facilities
- Wilson Workforce and Rehabilitation Center



Who We Are Not...

- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Employees of the host facility
- School counselors, MH therapists, or mentors
- Attorneys
- Medical personnel
- Surrogate parents



When Might a Student Enter an SOP Academic Program?

- Court order (detention or mental health)
- Serve a sentence after being placed into DJJ custody (detention)
- Mandatory evaluation/Parent placement
- Chronic medical need



Facility Partnerships with DJJ

19 facilities serve as CAP locations

- ▣ CAP = Central Admission and Placement
- ▣ Process previously took place at RDC (Reception and Diagnostic Center)
 - ▣ Average LOS is 42 days

10 facilities serve as CPP locations

- ▣ CPP = Community Placement Programs
- ▣ LOS range from three months to five years



Facility Partnerships with DJJ

- Approximately 120 students in DJJ Custody remain in the local and regional JDCs
- Continuity of SOP education programs allows these students to continue progress towards graduation



What Do We Do?

- 4,912 enrolled students (at least one enrollment)
- 303 post-graduates served (detention only)
- 564 CTE certificates earned by students (detention only)
- 157 students earned a GED (detention only)
- 32 students earned a HS Diploma (detention only)
- 1,245 SOL tests administered

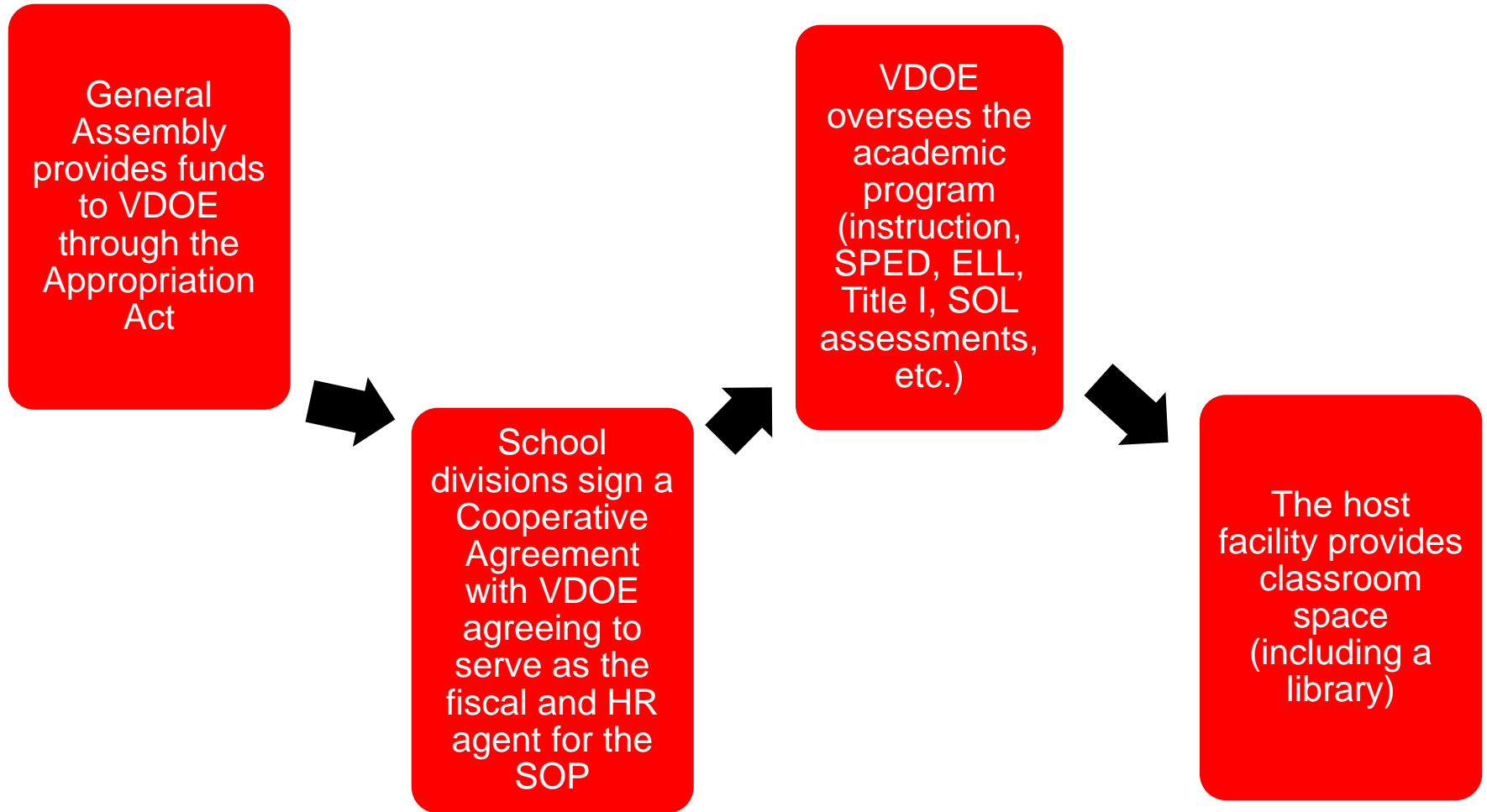


Detention Specific Information

- SY 2018-2019 enrolled students from 5th grade to post graduate (age 20.11)
- Average length of stay was 52 calendar days
- For 18-19, 31% in JDC were identified as SWD
- Programs enrolled students on a 24 hour hold up to students with a LOS of five years
- The majority of classrooms are similar to a “one room” schoolhouse model



How Does All of This Work?



Federal Requirements

- Office of Civil Rights Data Collection
 - Information collected every two years
 - Since 2014 (the first year we were required to report), Virginia has not received any OCR complaints in regard to detention education
- Title I, Part D (Neglected and Delinquent)
 - Successfully completed a federal review (2017-2018)
 - Successfully completed a state review (2018-2019)



Federal Requirements

- Title III
 - Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students
 - Identified students and families must be provided specialized instruction and support
 - The majority of our EL students are in the Northern VA region, but we are seeing a dramatic increase in Central VA.



Federal Requirements

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act, 2004
 - Special education and related services
 - All JDC's were reviewed by VDOE between 2017 and 2018 are in compliance
 - There have been no due process or state complaints in JDC education programs in recent history (Data goes back to 2006)
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
 - Accommodations/modifications for students

