

**Message from DYS Director Harvey Reed  
Sites Awarded Reaccreditation**

February 4, 2014



**Pictured from left to right:** American Correctional Association Commissioners, Elias Diggins, Pat Curran, Lori Ammons; Ryan Gies, DYS Deputy Director of Courts and Community Services; Elizabeth Moore, Butler County Juvenile Rehabilitation Center; Bridget Ansberg, Juvenile Residential Center of Northwest Ohio; Aaryn Combs, Montgomery County Center for Adolescent Services; Chris Baker, Bureau Chief of Community Facilities; **Second row, left to right:** David Roby, Montgomery County Center for Adolescent Services; Bill Besecker, West Central Juvenile Rehabilitation Center; Ida Lewis, State Accreditation Administrator and Accreditation Manager for Central Office.

Three DYS sites and four Community Corrections Facilities (CCFs) earned final approval on reaccreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) this week.

Each site received 100% scores in mandatory and non-mandatory standards. These awards do not come easy, and I applaud each reaccreditation team for its commitment to the accreditation process. Accreditation from ACA ensures that we are in compliance with, and even exceed, national standards.

I would like to express special thanks to Ida Lewis, State Accreditation Administrator, who provides accreditation expertise to all locations. Congratulations to the following sites, CCFs, and reaccreditation team leaders:

**DYS Sites**

**Central Office – Columbus**

Wendi Faulkner, Bureau Chief of the Office of Quality Assurance & Improvement  
Ida Lewis, State Accreditation Administrator and Accreditation Manager for Central Office

**Training Academy – Orient**

Cedric Collins, Training Academy Director  
Vinson Spurlock, Former Training Academy Director

**Bureau of Parole – Akron and Columbus**

Kevin Shepherd, Bureau Chief of Release, Parole and Integrated Reentry Services  
Jill Ames, Senior Parole Officer, Akron  
Dave Tobin, Senior Parole Officer, Columbus Region

**Community Corrections Facilities**

Christopher Baker, Bureau Chief of Community Facilities

**Butler County Juvenile Rehabilitation Center – Hamilton**

Thomas Barnes, Director  
Elizabeth Moore, Accreditation Manager

**Juvenile Residential Center of Northwest Ohio – Bowling Green**

Bridget Ansberg, Director & Accreditation Manager

**West Central Juvenile Rehabilitation Center – Troy**

Brent Knackstedt, Director  
Bill Besecker, Accreditation Manager

**Montgomery County Center for Adolescent Services – New Lebanon**

Dave Roby, Director  
Amy Gordon, Accreditation Manager