Menard Correctional Center

Kim Butler, Warden

Facility Data

Menard Correctional Center
Opened: March 1878
*Operational Capacity: 3,861
Maximum Security Adult Male
**Population Menard Correctional Center: 3,204
**Population Menard Medium Security Unit: 441
**Population Menard Reception & Classification Center: 50
**Total Population: 3,695
Average Annual Cost Per Inmate: $21,665 (FY14)

*As of 5/31/2015. Reflects bed space capacity analysis as outlined in the July 1, 2015 Quarterly Report to the Legislature.

**As of 7/1/15

Menard Correctional Center is the parent institution for Menard Medium Security Unit (/idoc/facilities/Pages/menardmediumsecurityunit.aspx) and Menard Reception and Classification Center (/idoc/facilities/Pages/MenardReceptionClassificationCenter.aspx).

Visiting Hours

Visitor ADA Accommodations (/idoc/facilities/Pages/ADAAccomodation.aspx)

IDOC Visitation Rules and Information (/idoc/facilities/Pages/VisitationRules.aspx)
Menard Correctional Center's Visiting Rules and Regulations
(https://www.illinois.gov/idoc/facilities/Documents/MenardCCVisitationRules_July_1_2016.pdf)

Visitors to any correctional facility will be required to produce photo identification and verification of date of birth. Please be sure to bring **2 forms of identification with you**; these would include a current photo ID such as a driver’s license, a state ID card, government ID card, military ID/driver’s license, or acceptable documentation of non-U.S. citizenship including a current Passport, or Visa, documentation must contain the visitor’s date of birth. Expired forms of identification will not be accepted. Visitors will also be required to provide vehicle information and other pertinent data, such as government identification, official credentials, attorney registration, and or law student certification.

**General Population Contact/Non-Contact Visits**

Sunday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sign in time is from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sign in time is from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. No visits are processed on Saturdays from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. for shift change.

Visits may last as long as time and room allows, not to exceed four hours. Visitors who travel a great distance to visit an offender may request an extended visit Monday through Thursday (no weekends or holidays). The Duty Warden or Shift Supervisor will consider extended visits on a case-by-case basis on the date of the visit.

Contact Visits: Offenders not under visit restriction are allowed five (5) visits per month. Three (3) adult visitors may visit simultaneously. This number includes children three (3) years and older.

Non-Contact Visits: Level "E" offenders are allowed five (5) visits per month. Visits are a maximum of 2 hours.

NOTE: If a child is under the age of three (3) and can be held on an adult visitor’s lap, they will not be counted as one of the three (3) visitors.

**Diagnostic orientation status offenders (offenders in reception center status) are not permitted visits with the exception of legal visits.**

**Segregation/Administrative Detention Non-Contact Visits**

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. daily.

Visitors must be signed in by 12:00p.m. Visits are a maximum of one (1) hour.

Offenders not under visit restriction are allowed two (2) visits per month. Segregation offenders may only visit once per day. Two (2) adult visitors may visit simultaneously. This number includes children three (3) years and older. Each adult may accompany one (1) child less than three (3) years old.

Administrative Detention offenders shall be allowed non-contact visits. The number and length of monthly visits (excluding attorney and chaplain visits) will be based on the offender’s current AD status.
NOTE: If a child is under the age of three (3) and can be held on an adult visitor’s lap, they will not be counted as one of the two (2) visitors.

**Infirmary Visits**

If an offender’s condition allows, visitation will be done in the Visiting Room. In the case where a patient’s condition does not allow for visitation in the Visiting Room, a visit may be approved in the Infirmary. This must be approved by the Warden or their designee only. Such visits will be one (1) hour or less in duration depending on the offender’s condition and treatment program. No vending items are permitted.

**Attorney/Clergy/Agency Visits**

Legal visitors and government officials who request to visit an offender for the purpose of conducting business on behalf of the Department or other governmental agency shall be exempt from completing the Perspective Visitor’s Information form. Legal visitors and government officials shall be required to list only their names and business address on the Visitor Sign-In Log. Legal visitors and government officials shall be required to show photo identification including government identification, official credentials, attorney registration or law student certification. Legal Visits will be arranged through the Litigation Coordinator at least two days in advance. Attorneys, student lawyers, etc. need not be on the inmates visiting list.

Special Clergy visitation will be approved in advance through the A/W of Programs. The requesting clergy must provide proof of legitimacy prior to entering the facility. Bibles and Korans are allowed during Pastoral Counseling.

Government agencies must coordinate with the A/W Operations prior to visiting.

**Facility Address**

**Business Mail:**
711 Kaskaskia Street
P.O. Box 711
Menard, IL 62259

**Inmate Mail:**
Inmate Name & IDOC#
P.O. Box 1000
Menard, IL 62259

**Phone:** (618) 826-5071  
**Fax:** (618) 826-1141

**Facility Information**

The mission of Menard Correctional Center is to confine adult male offenders in a safe, secure and humane manner; preserve and promote individual rights and responsibilities; and in turn, ensure ultimate protection of society. Inherent within this purpose is the offering of program activities for inmates housed within the institution. Inmates are afforded the opportunity to explore and participate in programs designated to assist them
toward a successful reintegration into society. It is essential that these functions be conducted within the realities of the security needs of a maximum-security correctional center.

Menard Correctional Center was established on the banks of the Mississippi River in 1878. The maximum-security facility changes in elevation over 200 feet and includes more than 2,600 acres with 41 acres enclosed by perimeter. The facility is comprised of 155 buildings totaling 1,294,000 square feet. Menard is the state’s largest maximum security adult male facility. The center consists of five housing units, a receiving and orientation unit, segregation unit and a health care unit. Also included is the Menard medium-security unit. (idoc/facilities/Pages/menardmediumsecurityunit.aspx)

Click here for information about Menard Correctional Center's sustainability efforts. (idoc/aboutus/Pages/MenardCCSustainability.aspx)

Inmate Programs

Academic:
- ABE (Adult Basic Education)
- GED (General Education Development)
- Special Education Services
- Job Preparedness and Correspondence Classes

Vocational:
- Construction Trades

Industries:
- Meat Processing
- Janitorial and Cleaning Supplies
- Knit and Sewing
- Waste Removal and Recycling

Volunteer Services:
- Religious

Other:
- Anger Management
- Chaplaincy
- Community Work Crews
- Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program
- Leisure Time Activity
- Library
- Life Skills
- Sex Offender Program
- Substance Abuse
- Health Care Services