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## Little Sandy Correctional Complex Receives Perfect Audit Score

**FRANKFORT, Ky.** (Jul. 22, 2019) – The Little Sandy Correctional Complex (LSCC) in Sandy Hook recently received a perfect score on its re-accreditation audit from the American Correctional Association (ACA). The prison achieved a total score of 100% on mandatory and non-mandatory standards. This marks the 5th accreditation audit in the history of the prison.

"I believe in a process in which we both regularly review ourselves, but have outsiders come in and verify that we're doing things correctly," said Commissioner Kenney. "So the fact that you scored 100% is amazing, that is

"Folks, a perfect score, that does not happen everywhere, you can be proud of this because you earned this," said Audit Chair Fred Campbell, from Arkansas. The other auditors, Brian Neagle from New York and Randy Cross from Iowa, each stated that in their 12 years as ACA auditors, this was the first facility in which they have audited to receive a score of 100%.

"I want to thank all staff at LSCC for the hard work done not just during the audit process but also throughout the daily operations at the institution. Continuously achieving this score is a testament to the dedication and professionalism at this facility," said Warden Keith Helton.

The Little Sandy Correctional Complex re-accreditation audit was a multi-faceted examination of every aspect within the prison. It consisted of more than 527 standards that covered security, procedures, training and record keeping regarding offenders. The audit process requires constant monitoring and quality control checks. All Kentucky DOC prisons are accredited and all undergo a re-accreditation audit by ACA every three years and an inter-departmental audit every year. Kentucky has been a member of ACA since the early 1980s.

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