

FACT SHEET: ARRESTS OF YOUTH (18 AND UNDER) ON CPS GROUNDS, 2011 & 2012

In 2011, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) reported a total of **4,959** youth arrests (18 & under) on CPS properties. Of these, 4,242 were in CPS buildings. In 2012, CPD reported a total of **4,287** youth arrests on CPS properties. Of these, 3,677 were in CPS buildings. Overall, the number of youth arrests on CPS properties **decreased by 13.5%** from 2011 to 2012.

Arrests of People 18 and Under on Public School Grounds and in Public School Buildings (2011 & 2012)

	2011	2012	% Change
Public School Grounds	717	610	-14.9%
Public School Buildings	4,242	3,677	-13.3%
TOTAL	4,959	4,287	-13.5%

While the total numbers of school-based arrests are declining, Black youth continue to be disproportionately targeted. In both 2011 and 2012, *three-quarters (75%) of juvenile arrests on CPS properties were black youth*. In 2012, black youth comprised only 42% of all CPS students. In contrast, Latino students make up 44% of the CPS student population and constitute 21% of youth arrests on CPS properties.

Arrests – Persons 18 and Under on Public School Grounds and in Public School Buildings (by Race, 2011)

2011	Black	White Hispanic	Black Hispanic	White	Asian/Pacific Islander	Unknown	TOTAL
Public School Grounds	526	149	4	30	7	1	717 (14%)
Public Schools Buildings	3,170	879	35	134	19	5	4,242 (86%)
TOTAL	3,696 (74.5%)	1,028 (21%)	39	164 (3.3%)	26	6	4,959

Arrests – Persons 18 and Under on Public School Grounds and in Public School Buildings (by Race, 2012)

2012	Black	White Hispanic	Black Hispanic	White	Asian/Pacific Islander	Unknown	TOTAL
Public School Grounds	451	128	3	25	2	1	610 (14%)
Public Schools Buildings	2,789	723	35	111	17	2	3,677 (86%)
TOTAL	3,240 (75.5%)	851 (20%)	38	136 (3%)	19	3	4,287

Young men are still most likely to be arrested on CPS properties. Though in 2012, the percentage of juvenile arrests that were of young women increased to over a third (32%) of the total number of youth school-based arrests.

Arrest – Persons 18 and Under on Public School Grounds and in Public School Buildings (by Gender, 2011 & 2012)

	2011		TOTAL	2012		TOTAL
	Male	Female		Male	Female	
School Grounds	548	169	717	453	157	610
School Building	3,033	1,209	4,242	2,465	1,212	3,677
TOTAL	3,581 (72%)	1,378 (28%)	4,959	2,918 (68%)	1,369 (32%)	4,287

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In 2011 and 2012, the largest numbers of youth arrests on CPS properties were of **15, 16, & 17 year olds**. There is also a small number of school-based arrests of children ages 10 and under in both 2011 & 2012.

Arrest – Persons 18 and Under on Public School Grounds & in Public School Buildings (by Age, 2011)

2011	10 & Under	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	TOTAL
Public School Grounds	2	10	26	49	92	145	182	139	72	717
Public School Building	18	35	139	311	535	968	1129	784	323	4,242
TOTAL	20	45	165	360	627 (13%)	1113 (22%)	1311 (26%)	923 (19%)	395	4,959

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Arrest – Persons 18 and Under on Public School Grounds & in Public School Buildings (by Age, 2012)

2012	10 & Under	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	TOTAL
Public School Grounds	3	9	16	30	72	125	125	150	80	610
Public School Building	14	28	117	243	524	839	980	650	282	3,677
TOTAL	17	37	133	273	596 (14%)	964 (22%)	1105 (26%)	800 (19%)	362	4,287

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Most youth arrests (18 & under) on CPS properties are **misdemeanor offenses**. We will release a more detailed report this summer that will underscore the specific offenses that youth were arrested for on CPS properties in 2011 & 2012.

Arrests – Misdemeanor and Felony Offenses for Persons 18 Years and Younger in Public School Buildings (City of Chicago, 2011 & 2012)

	2011		TOTAL	2012		TOTAL
	Felony	Misdemeanor		Felony	Misdemeanor	
Public School Grounds	89	590	679	97	479	576
Public School Buildings	583	3,490	4,073	567	2,943	3,510
TOTAL	672 (14%)	4,080 (86%)	4,752	664 (16%)	3,422 (84%)	4,086

NOTES:

All of the data were obtained through a request made by *Mariame Kaba* of Project NIA to the Chicago Police Department Research & Development Division (Research & Analysis Section) in January 2013. Data were received in April 2013.

The data cover calendar years 2011 and 2012. They do not follow the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) academic calendar. The data were disaggregated by school grounds and school buildings to provide a better sense of what’s taking place inside schools as opposed to outside of them.

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Additionally, Chris Skrable has created an interactive map that includes crimes and arrests on CPS properties during the 2011-2012 academic year. Chris only included crimes and arrests that took place during the school day between 8 am and 5 pm. The map also allows you to search by school by simply typing the name of your school in the search bar at the top right of the page. Make sure that you type: Kilmer Elementary, Chicago. Click on the map and you will find demographic, crime, and arrest data for each school. You can find the map here: <http://tinyurl.com/cj8mnde>