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Midland, Georgia- The Aaron Cohn Regional Youth Detention Center (RYDC) will hold a high school graduation ceremony on Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., in the facility's multi-purpose room.

During the ceremony, one youth will receive a high school diploma, and another will receive his GED. Six other youth will be honored for being placed from middle school to high school. Department of Juvenile Justice Commissioner and Superintendent Amy V. Howell will be the commencement speaker.

"Education is a key indicator of a youth's future success," Commissioner Howell said. "I am proud of these youth who have worked hard to reach their goals, and I am appreciative of our education staff who have worked hard to help these youth achieve."

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice is Georgia's 181st school district and has accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Correctional Education Association (CEA). All DJJ teachers are certified. Students in short-term RYDCs and long-term YDCs both receive 330 minutes of instruction each day year round. Students in DJJ schools can achieve a GED, high school diploma or special education diploma. All academic and vocational credits awarded are transferable with the youth upon their return to the community.

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