

Capitol Hill Gang and The Criminal Justice Students

At the Crossroads of Childhood and Crime:
Where Do We Draw the Line?

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Question #1

- What is the most effective punishment regarding juvenile offenders? Is life in prison without parole really a deterrent or should a more rehabilitative solution be used?

Question #2

- If a juvenile commits a violent crime should they be tried as an adult? Or do you feel juveniles are being denied their constitutional rights resulting in overly retributive punishments?

Question #3

- In the wake of high profile juvenile violence such as juvenile- perpetrated school shootings the emphasis in regards to juvenile corrections has focused on punishment. Is it more appropriate to consider idea based solutions in concert with evidenced- based practices such as restorative justice for those who have been adjudicated delinquent?

Question and Answer Time

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