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proposal to offer phone calls and video calls/ pictures on current tablets

I am writing this proposal in hopes that the ADM will consider allowing inmate to make phone calls and video calls/ photos to/ from the tablets that are currently provided. this will address and curtail a number of serious rule violations and threats to the institution.

It should be noted that over the last few years they have been a significant increase in the amount of inmates being caught with cell phones here at WCI. this is not been isolated to inmates who simply have a disregard for the rules, or who have been problematic rule Breakers in the past. some of these inmates(including myself) have gone long periods of time(5 to 10 years) with good institutional adjustment. this includes maintaining jobs, if you have any kind of reports, as well as program and academic achievements.

while it may be easy to throw us all in the same category and say we are not being reformed, or Dee must be most serious threats to the institution(according to punishment) and even Place us on administrative confinement for the cell phones, this does not address the real issue at hand. the fact of the matter is one of the primary reasons behind arguments, fights, and even the stabbing that turned into a homicide at gbcI begin with disputes over the institution phone. there are limited phones, limited time, unlimited staff to move the phones on a timely basis.

while the tablets to provide us with an additional means of contacting her loved ones(by emails) due to staff shortage in other priorities some message may not go out for days or weeks at a time. they're also has been a significant decrease in the amount of time out of cell. programs have continuously been taken away. we need long ago to the child Hall to eat. we only get one recreation. for week and one or two showers per week. this is prior to the current lockdown best friend again going on since late March. unfortunately the institution has created an environment that lacks both the opportunity and/ or Individuals to do better or to be better.

the conditions make it easier for individuals(including those who want to change) to justify having a cell phone and risk going to segregation rather than getting in an altercation and risk losing their life or Serious injury. I do not intend to be naive or elusive to the fact that some inmates were using cell phones for illegal or illicit activities. but I can assure you that the vast majority are simply looking for an additional means to be able to see and talk to their loved ones

on a regular basis, without interruption or threat. furthermore, this would also generate an incredible amount of revenue for the DOC..

I hope that you all don't see this as simply request for more leisure, but instead as a plea for safety measures to be taken, and a plea for Rehabilitation instead of punishment.

respectfully submitted,

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