



Raise the Age Twitter and Facebook Posts

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@RaiseTheAgeNY; @SenatorSkelos; @JeffKleinNY; @CarlHeastie; @NYGovCuomo;
@SenatorNozzolio; @NYSenate; @NYSA_Majority; @SenMartyGolden

- Treat children as children!
- Raising the age makes communities safer!
- Brain science is clear. Adolescents are not adults.
- NY is 1 of 2 states to automatically charge 16 yr olds as adults.
- 34,000 16 & 17 yr olds were arrested in 2013. 74% were misdemeanors.
- Youth housed in adult jails are more likely to be abused and recidivate.
- @NYGovCuomo's proposal removes youth from adult jails and prisons.
- 16,432 7-15 yr olds were arrested in 2013.
- @NYGovCuomo's proposal raises the minimum age for juvenile jx to 12 (10 for homicide).
- 70%+ of 16 & 17 yr olds arrested in 2013 were Black or Latino.
- 80% of 16 & 17 yr olds sentenced to prison in 2013 were Black or Latino.
- Stop the #CradleToPrisonPipeline.
- Youth in the system are 34% more likely to be re-arrested.
- @NYGovCuomo's proposal could eliminate 1,500-2,400 crimes every 5 years.
- Juvenile system provides rehab services. Adult parole only provides surveillance.
- Youth are 36 times more likely to commit suicide in an adult facility than a juvenile facility.
- Incarcerated youth are more likely to go back to prison than finish HS.
- "It is easier to prepare strong children than to repair broken men." – Fredrick Douglass
- @SenatorSkelos @CarlHeastie it's time to treat kids as kids & #RaiseTheAge in New York!
- Support @NYGovCuomo's proposal to #RaiseTheAgeNY.