

Égalité Fraternité

FRENCH NATIONAL ACADEMY FOR YOUTH PROTECTION AND JUVENILE JUSTICE



The French National Academy for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice (in French, ENPJJ) ensures training of professionals in charge of juvenile justice, legal training and continuing education of the PJJ's public service agents, and multi-institutional courses, opened to professionals from other institutions related to child protection.

The National Academy for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice (ENPJJ in French) is a national service under the authority of the Directorate for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice (DPJJ), and is one of the four academies within the Ministry of Justice.

It provides training for professionals in charge of juvenile justice, statutory training and continuing education for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice (PJJ) public service agents, as well as continuing education for employees in the accredited voluntary organisations (SAH). It has also developed multi-institutional courses open to all professionals involved in child protection.

The ENPJJ is involved in a number of partnerships and is also part of the Public Service Schools Network (RESP).

It also carries out research, documentation and publishing activities supporting professional practices in the field of vulnerable childhood and adolescence.

Established all over the country, right in the heart of professional practice, the Academy has one central facility, set up in Roubaix in 2008, nine regional training centres (PTF) and two overseas branches (Antilles-Guiana and Réunion-Mayotte).

Within the central facility and under the supervision of the General Management, three departments are dedicated to the success of the Academy's missions:

- the Training Department (SF)
- the Research and Documentation Department (SRD); and
- the General Office (SG).

The ENPJJ has built up its **expertise** in the field of **childhood in danger and juvenile criminal justice** thanks to:

- the breadth and variety of its trainers' professional backgrounds, most of whom come from the educational professions in the broadest sense of the term. This asset means that the Academy is able to bring to life the practical dimension of the professions it trains for, and is strengthened by constant and growing dialogue with the decentralised departments of the two sectors of the PJJ;
- its **multidisciplinary research** approach in fields such as education, information and communication sciences, sociology, psychology, law and criminology. The interplay between training and research feeds into training content;
- the **specialisation of its publications**. The Academy issues a professional journal, *Les Cahiers dynamiques* (The Dynamic Notebooks), and two scientific journals, *Sociétés et jeunesses en difficulté (SEJED)* (Troubles Youths and Societies) and *Revue d'histoire de l'enfance irrégulière (RHEI)* (Historic Review of Troubled Childhood). The *Décodages* (Decoding) series is a fourpage summary compiling the results of research and studies carried out at the ENPJJ. The publication provides food for thought for professionals working with troubled young people, and promotes the dissemination of knowledge and the sharing of feedback and experiences;
- the extensive documentary collection. The Academy's media and research libraries, specialised in issues relating to children in danger and juvenile delinquency, include nearly 80,000 books and over 800 academic journal references, indexed on the documentary portal. Digitisation work has made it possible to safeguard an important part of the history of juvenile justice in the Adolie digital library;
- the historical perspective of the Savigny sur Orge exhibition centre, which focuses on the history of juvenile justice in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The purpose of all these activities is to promote staff professionalisation and help develop a common set of skills to support child protection work.

WEBSITE

KEY FIGURES (2022)

Including	113 7112 5236 384 83185	professionals in the Academic Department professionals in training courses from the Directorate for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice initial vocational trainees (educators and directors) days of training
	1	library
	1	historical museum
	1	website
	1	online training platform
	1	digital library (Adolie)
	2	digital newsletters