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Prison within Prison



Fighting for prisoners' rights addresses the third and sixteenth UN Sustainability goal. By enforcing a more stable environment peace and good health for prisoners will blossom.

Our Project

In order to eventually fully end solitary confinement, our project involves having person who has gone through solitary confinement speak to IMSA students. Although this will not end solitary confinement, it is an important step in educating the public on the reality of solitary confinement. Educating a young audience can influence which policymakers they vote on based off of their stance on solitary confinement.

Policy

We want to eliminate solitary confinement as a punishment all together. The damaging psychological effects, inhumaneness, and it's unfairness make solitary confinement a terrible form of punishment. It takes away the rights of prisoners and is often used excessively for small reasons.

Importance

Solitary confinement, with its sensory deprivation and overload, cause irreversible psychological damage. Despite this fact, there are very few laws regulating it, which means that it is up to the prison itself, which means that prisoners can end up spending decades in solitary.