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JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMUNITY WORK CENTER CLOSED

JACKSON - The Mississippi Department of Corrections has closed the Jefferson County Community Work Center in Fayette.

Most of the 43 inmates in the facility were moved Friday afternoon to Wilkinson County Community Center; the remaining offenders went to other MDOC facilities. In addition, the seven employees will be working in other MDOC facilities.

The facility is being closed for security reasons, Corrections Commissioner Marshall Fisher said. "Adequate staffing has reached a critical point, and public safety is our paramount concern."

Inmates will be transported from Wilkinson's CWC to Jefferson and Claiborne counties until Aug. 1 to help those entities that rely on inmate labor.

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