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HOLMES COUNTY STATE ESCAPEE SOUGHT AND CAPTURED

JACKSON – State inmate Javontae J. Taliaferro was sought by Holmes County authorities and the Mississippi Department of Corrections after he escaped the Holmes-Humphreys County Regional Correctional Facility in Lexington Friday.

Taliaferro, 21, #183524, was last seen with other inmates during recreation outside at the facility. He was noticed missing during the certified count at 3 p.m.

Taliaferro is in prison for multiple felonies in Pike County. He is serving a total of 15 years for aggravated assault on a police officer, fleeing law enforcement, armed robbery, conspiracy to commit a crime, and grand larceny. He was sentenced on Nov. 14, 2016.

He was captured at 6:50 p.m. in close proximity of the facility.

In addition to law officers with the Holmes County Sheriff's Department and the Mississippi Department of Corrections, the Leflore County Sheriff's Department K-9 Unit also assisted in the capture of Taliaferro without incident.