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MDOC-SMCI PRISON HIRING CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS

JACKSON – The Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) intends to hire 50 new correctional officers for the prison in Leakesville, Miss. in March.

Interviews and screenings will be held Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the South Mississippi Correctional Institution (SMCI) in Leakesville starting at 8:30 a.m. Starting pay is \$1,833.80 per month.

Correctional Officer Trainees are responsible for the supervision, care, custody, and control of inmates in a correctional institution or facility. To become a correctional officer, an applicant must be 18 years of age, provide proof of a high school diploma or G.E.D., possess a valid driver's license and Social Security card and have no felony or domestic violence conviction. Males between the ages of 18-25 years of age must show proof of selective service registration. Applicants also must complete a math quiz, a written report, a physical agility exercise and a drug test (at no cost to the applicant).

“We are always recruiting,” said MDOC Commissioner Marshall Fisher. “After a couple of years as a correctional officer, there are numerous opportunities for promotion and advancements to correctional sergeant, lieutenant, captain and higher.”

Applicants can apply online at the MDOC website, www.mdoc.state.ms.us or the Mississippi State Personnel Board website, www.mspb.ms.gov. Applicants may contact MDOC Personnel Services at (601) 359-5696 or the SMCI Personnel Department at (601) 394-5600 ext. 1217.

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