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Three Juveniles Escape from State Training School July 10, 2000

(Pierre) - Three male juveniles escaped from the State Training School in Plankinton early Saturday, July 8, 2000.

The three left their cottage between 2:30 AM and 3:00 AM. They then scaled a fence and fled from campus.

One of the juveniles is a 15-year old from northeastern South Dakota. The other two are both 14 years old. One of those juveniles is from the Black Hills area; the other is from northeastern South Dakota.

Gov. Bill Janklow said, "I hope the public understands these kids are dangerous. We don't get them unless they're troubled and dangerous."

The Department of Corrections is reviewing the incident and law enforcement is also investigating. As of noon on Monday, July 10, the three were still at large.