Plankinton Escapees Apprehended In Kansas
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(Pierre) – Three juvenile males from South Dakota were caught in a stolen car in Baldwin City, Kansas, late Wednesday afternoon. The three had escaped from the State Training School at Plankinton early Saturday morning.

They are being held in a Douglas County, Kansas, juvenile facility on Thursday evening. They are suspects in a string of vehicle thefts in South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. They are also under investigation in connection with a robbery in Nebraska.

Baldwin police officers apprehended the three juveniles during a traffic stop. The juveniles were in a vehicle reported stolen from the Enterprise, Kansas, area.

The three left their cottage between 2:30 AM and 3:00 AM on Saturday, July 8. They then scaled a high security fence and fled from the Plankinton 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.