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Search for Missing Youth

Custer, S.D.- Department of Corrections staff members and law enforcement are searching for a youth who ran away from the State Treatment and Rehabilitation (STAR) Academy overnight.

The youth, a 16-year old Native American male, ran from the Youth Challenge Center program, which is located on the STAR Academy West Campus approximately four miles south of Custer.

The youth is from the Sioux Falls area. He is 5-feet-7 inches tall and weighs 130 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes.

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Our mission is to protect the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to our custody by the courts. To provide effective community supervision to offenders upon their release and to utilize evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation.