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On Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at approximately 9:10PM, the Mexico Public Safety Department responded to the 900 block of Tyronn Lue Boulevard in reference to someone being shot. Responding personnel found 17 year-old Tornez Burton of Mexico on scene. He had been shot one time. Audrain Ambulance District transported Burton to St. Mary’s Hospital-Audrain where he later died. 17 year-old Jzyeshawn Palmer of Mexico also arrived at St. Mary’s Hospital-Audrain. He had a gunshot wound to the leg from the same incident. Family members later took him to University Hospital for further treatment.

Information from alert citizens has indicated that Burton, Palmer, and two other teenagers met in the area and began fighting after a disturbance a few blocks away. During the fight, one member of the group shot a gun about six times then fled.

Citizens with information about this or any other crime are asked to contact CRIMESTOPPERS at (800) 392-TIPS or (800) 392-8477 or Mexico Public Safety at (573) 473-5800 or (573) 581-2100.