



JEFFERSON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Media Release

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To: All media outlets
Contact Person: Lt. D Williams
Subject: Pursuit and Arrest
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Earlier this morning at approximately 8:50 AM, officers attempted to stop a vehicle to conduct a warrant investigation. The vehicle, a 2000's model Ford Taurus failed to yield to the emergency vehicle and a pursuit ensued.

The pursuit began on W. Main Street at Hwy. 179, it travelled east before turning north on Belair Drive, eventually entering the Belair Elementary school zone. Due to the hazards associated with the school zone, the pursuit was terminated.

Pursuing officers were able to maintain visual observance of the vehicle and were able to monitor the vehicle as it travelled through the zone. The pursuit was then reinitiated when the vehicle began travelling west on Twin Hills Drive. The vehicle continued to Sue Drive and then the 800 block of Dean Drive where the driver, Byron Williams 32, fled the vehicle.

Officers were able to subdue the subject in a creek to the rear of Dean Drive. During the foot chase, Williams was observed discarding multiple items. After being taken into custody, officers recovered more than \$1000 in currency, over 9 ounces of methamphetamine and a small amount of marijuana.

As a result of the arrest, investigators obtained a search warrant for a residence in the 2800 block of Sue Drive. Inside that residence, officers located a stolen handgun.

According to available records, Williams is currently on pretrial release for prior charges of trafficking in narcotics, Unlawful Use of Weapon and a Felony Controlled Substance, Possession of Controlled Substances and Driving While Revoked/Suspended.

New charges being submitted to the Cole County Prosecutor for today's arrest include Distribution of a controlled substance (Methamphetamine), Felony resisting arrest and Felony stealing.

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