Preliminary hearings set for school vandalism suspects

(KMZA)--Preliminary hearings are set October 24th for two Jackson County teens accused of breaking into and vandalizing the Wetmore Attendance Center.

18-year-old Netawaka residents, Jayme Hodge and Jarred Kramer, each face charges of burglary, felony criminal damage to property and theft.

The pair made their first appearances in a Nemaha County courtroom last week.

Hodge and Kramer were arrested last month following an investigation by the Nemaha County Sheriff's Department.

The sheriff's office says the school was broken into and vandalized sometime late August 2nd or early August 3rd. The ballfield concession stand was also vandalized. In addition, an undisclosed amount of money was taken.

Total damage was estimated at about \$65,000. The vandalism also required school at Wetmore to begin one day later than scheduled to allow time for clean-up and repair.

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