Teen Charged in Fatal Crash Appears in Court

(MSC News)-- A 17-year-old charged in connection with a two-vehicle collision in eastern St. Joseph that claimed the lives of four other teens was arraigned Tuesday.

Skylar Lucas-Cox appeared in a Buchanan County courtroom on one count of involuntary manslaughter.

A preliminary hearing was set for May 11th and bond was denied.

Authorities say Lucas-Cox was driving a stolen truck on Riverside Road, near Cook Road, last Friday morning when he lost control of the vehicle and crossed into oncoming traffic, striking another vehicle head-on.

Four teenagers, ranging in age from 15 to 17, died as a result of the crash. Three others, including Lucas-Cox, were seriously injured.

According to court documents, Lucas-Cox tested positive for cocaine, marijuana and benzodiazepines at the time of the crash.

Prosecutors allege his reckless driving and impaired nature of driving, directly resulted in the death of the four victims.

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