



Officers Attacked by Inmate at Five Points Correctional Facility

Three Officers Sustain injuries During Attack

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Romulus, NY – Three officers were injured by an inmate at the maximum security prison when he attacked them after refusing to go back into his cell.

The attacked occurred on Sunday, February 28. The inmate, who is serving a 11 year sentence for Robbery 1st, refused orders to get back in his cell after being on the phone. Initially, the inmate refused several orders from an officer to return to his cell. He eventually complied and as he is about to enter his cell, he suddenly turned around and headed toward staff with clenched fists. Five officers on the scene grabbed the inmate in a body hold and forced him to the ground. The inmate began to violently struggle as officers attempted to get handcuffs on. During the struggle, the inmate punched one officer in the right side of his face and a second officer in the right side of his head. Officers were eventually able to apply handcuffs to his wrists and restraints to his ankles and he became compliant.

The inmate was placed in a holding pen. He was ordered to stand so he could be escorted to a Special Housing Unit. He refused all orders again. A officer approached him in the holding pen. The inmate stood and head-butted the officer. The officer was able to get the inmate in a body hold and force him against the wall.

He was escorted to a Special Housing Unit pending disciplinary charges.

One officer sustained left cheek pain and right thumb swelling. He was taken to an outside hospital for treatment. A second officer sustained swelling to the right side of his forehead and left wrist pain. He also was transported to an outside hospital for treatment.

A third officer was injured attempting to subdue the inmate. He sustained swelling to both wrists, right cheek and left knee. He was transported to an outside hospital for treatment.

The officers did not return to duty.

Another day, another assault on staff. This was a vicious attack by an inmate who simply would not follow basic orders and get back into his cell. Three officers injured who all needed hospital treatment for their injuries. These type of attacks will continue with a weakened disciplinary system that merely is just a slap on the wrist. Two weeks ago an officer and a sergeant had feces and urine thrown on them by an inmate who was incarcerated for the same exact thing previously. When will our elected officials begin to understand the dangers our members face every day inside our prisons?. ” – said Mark Deburgomaster , Western Region Vice President.