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Leavenworth man convicted of involuntary manslaughter in fatal shooting of friend

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — A Leavenworth man has been convicted of involuntary manslaughter after entering a no-contest plea Friday in the fatal shooting of his friend inside a Leavenworth County home.

Tyren Bradley, born Oct. 11, 2005, entered the plea June 26 in Leavenworth County District Court. Sentencing is scheduled for 1 p.m. Aug. 5, 2026.

The conviction stems from a shooting that occurred April 28, 2026.

At approximately 2:51 p.m. that day, deputies with the Leavenworth County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to a residence on Hillside Road for a reported shooting. Emergency medical personnel and law enforcement arrived to find one individual suffering from a gunshot wound to the chest. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to court documents, the shooting occurred in a basement room where several friends had gathered.

Court records state that the group's conversation turned to firearms and shooting competitions. Bradley removed a semiautomatic pistol and demonstrated what he described as a "trick". Bradley told investigators he pulled the trigger during the demonstration, causing the firearm to discharge.

The bullet struck the victim in the chest.

"This tragic case is a heartbreaking reminder that firearms should never be handled carelessly," Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said. "Every firearm should be treated as if it is loaded - one reckless decision can forever change the lives of many families."