

## SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR

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## Akron Teen Sentenced to 22 to 26 Years In Prison for Shooting

AKRON, Ohio (Thursday, April 02, 2020) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Tammy O'Brien sentenced Jaylin Preston, 19, of Toby Terrace in Akron, to an indefinite term of 22 to 26 years in prison for shooting at an SUV and injuring four people.

On February 4, 2020 a Summit County Jury found Preston guilty of the following charges:

• Four Counts of Felonious Assault with Gun Specifications – Felonies of the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree

On May 8, 2019, Preston was walking with a friend on Sylvan Avenue in Akron when an SUV stopped nearby because of mechanical issues. Preston shot at least five times at the vehicle, injuring the three people inside as well as striking his friend.

"This was a serious incident. Four people were shot including one person in the head. He suffered significant, life-altering injuries. Jaylin Preston deserves to be held accountable for what he did. The community is safer with him behind bars," said Prosecutor Walsh.