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Aircraft Makes Emergency Landing in Cornfield

WARRENSBURG, MO – Two people were injured after making an emergency landing in a Johnson County cornfield Tuesday afternoon.

Emergency personnel responded shortly after 4:45 PM to reports of a possible plane crash north of Centerview. The single-engine aircraft was found about 200 yards off NW 501 Road near the Blackwater River.

The plane's occupants, a flight instructor and a student pilot, suffered minor injuries. One was taken to a local hospital by ambulance.

"The flight originated from the Lee's Summit area," said JCFPD Captain Joe Jennings. "The plane experienced an engine failure, forcing the emergency landing."

The aircraft was not affiliated with the University of Central Missouri, which operates the nearby Max B. Swisher Skyhaven Airport. The FAA has been notified, and further details may be available through the agency.

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