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La Porte Police Officers take Student into Custody for Making a False Report to Cause Alarm on School Campus

The La Porte Police Department (LPPD) took a 15 year old female student into custody this afternoon for making false reports to LPPD School Resource Officers with the intent to cause alarm. The student falsely reported that she had observed a person in one of the school restrooms with a weapon, hoping that the threat would cause school to be dismissed early. This threat, however, caused the school to be temporarily placed on lock-down until the on-site uniformed police officers assigned to the school, could investigate the threat. As a result of the investigation, it was determined the threat was made maliciously. The Harris County District Attorney was contacted and accepted the Felony Charge of making a false report to cause alarm on a school campus. The 15 year old was ultimately turned over to the custody of the Harris County Juvenile Detention Facility.

To help with these sort of issues, the La Porte Police Department is asking parents to talk with their children relating to the importance of school safety and make sure that each student understands that threatening violence on a school campus is not a “joking” matter. The safety of our children and the security of our school campuses is absolutely our number one priority. All threats will be investigated and all those making a threat will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.