LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Press Release

On May 1, 2019, at about 12:19 PM the Youth Development Officer was advised of a student at Jamison High School threatening to "shoot up the school". The Youth Development Officer investigated this incident and began to attempt to locate the juvenile student who was no longer at the school.

The Lemoore Police Department Problem Oriented Policing team assisted the school officer by searching for the suspect and patrolling the areas around the schools. When they were unable to locate the suspect, the team responded to the student's residence and conducted a search for any possible firearms available to him.

No firearms were located at the suspect's residence, nor was any evidence located that would indicate the threats the suspect made were going to be carried out. At this time the suspect was not located at his residence. A BOLO to surrounding agencies was put out for the suspect in an attempt to expedite his apprehension and ensure public safety.

The suspect was located and detained by the Hanford Police Department on May 1, 2019 at about 11:45 PM. The Lemoore Police Department responded to Hanford and took over the arrest. The 17-year-old juvenile's identity will not be released. The suspect was booked in the Kings County Juvenile Detention Center for a violation of PC 422 (a)-Criminal Threats.

The Lemoore Police Department takes these types of threats very seriously. Working in partnership with the Lemoore Unified High School District, the Lemoore Police Department will continue to diligently investigate any threat of this nature made against a school. Those who make these types of statements will be arrested regardless of their actual intent to carry out the threat.

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