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School Resource Deputy Arrests Juvenile with Loaded Gun

On Friday, August 26, at Gene Cox Stadium, a Leon County Sheriff's Office School Resource Deputy (SRD) arrested a 14-year-old juvenile found to be in possession of a loaded firearm.

The SRD was working security at a football game when he noticed the teenager wearing a jacket with a large bulge in the front pocket. After approaching the teen, then escorting him to a secure location, the SRD conducted a pat-down search and discovered the loaded Taurus handgun.

The juvenile, who is not enrolled at any Leon County School, was placed under arrest. He was transported to the Juvenile Assessment Center and charged with Possession of a Firearm on School Property.

LCSO wants to remind citizens that it is a violation of state law for any person to carry a firearm or weapon on school premises, school-provided transportation, or other facilities being used exclusively for school activities. Families are encouraged to discuss with their children the potential consequences of bringing a weapon on school property and if they "See Something, Say Something." The FortifyFL app is available to anonymously report Leon County School-related suspicious activity or call 850-922-KIDS.





