

LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Walt McNeil, Sheriff

2825 Municipal Way Tallahassee, FL 32304 www.leoncountyso.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: August 7, 2019 **Media Contact:** Deputy Dave Teems

LCSO Arrests 13-Year-Old Student for Online School Threat

Today, the Leon County Sheriff's Office Youth Services Division received information of a social media threat of violence made by a local student.

School Resource Deputies investigated the post and it led to a 13-year-old Swift Creek Middle School student. About two months ago, the student posted a picture of himself holding a bag with the caption "Let's see if I can shoot the pistol with my left hand." Another person commented on the picture two weeks ago "Let's see if we can shoot up the school with both." The 13-year-old responded "I'm ready let's goo"

LCSO has not found any evidence that the student planned to carry out the threat.

The 8th grade student was charged with Written Threats to Do Harm.

The investigation is still ongoing.

As we start the new school year, the Leon County Sheriff's Office would like to remind everyone it takes all of these threats seriously and those making them will be dealt with accordingly.



