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SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY NEAR SCHOOL LEADS TO MISDEMEANOR CHARGE



A Crestview man is charged with trespassing within a school safety zone following an investigation by School Resource Officers into a report of a suspicious person near a Crestview Elementary School Thursday morning. A staff member had spotted a man standing in the wood line around 7:30 this morning, the time that students from both Riverside Elementary and Shoal River Middle School begin walking to school. It was reported he was watching children

and that he had also approached a child and offered him his jacket before walking back into the woods. SRO's, other deputies, and a Crestview Police Officer searched the area and located fresh foot prints on the dirt road. An OCSO K9 started a track and followed it along a dirt trail. Eventually they spotted a man matching a description of the suspicious person. He was identified as 24-year old Ryan Johnson of East Railroad Avenue. During questioning, Johnson told deputies he goes near the woods on Redstone Avenue because he likes to watch the girls walking to school and fantasize about them. Johnson was charged with trespass on a school safety zone, a second degree misdemeanor.



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IN THE CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

WARRANT/OTTIC SERVED

OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR010077

| Jail Booking No | Offense No | Other No | OBTS | ; | |
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| [CHARGES] | | | | | |
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[STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE / NARRATIVE]

On September 25, 2014, I responded to a trespass in a school safety zone near 3400 East Redstone Ave. (Riverside Elementary), Crestview, FL.

On September 25, 2014, I responded to the intersection of East Redstone Ave. and Okaloosa Ln. in reference to a suspicious person being in the woods on the outskirts of Riverside Elementary. Upon arrival I met with Deputy P. Alford, the Resource Officer at Riverside Elementary School, who stated there was a male subject, later identified as the defendant Ryan M. Johnson, in the woods directly south east of the school. Deputy P. Alford said the defendant had approached a child and was watching school children. The school starts at 0800 hours and children began arriving around 0715. The defendant was seen between 0750 hours and 0800 hours, at the stop sign and in the woods at the intersection of East Redstone Ave. and Okaloosa Ln. The defendant was approximately 100 feet from the school and there were children in the area.

Deputy P. Alford located a set of shoe prints on a dirt trail at the corner of East Redstone Ave. and Okaloosa Ln. The shoe prints appeared to travel west on a dirt trail from that intersection. Deputy D. York was requested to assist with a search with his K-9, Ranger. When Deputy D. York arrived on scene, we began to track the shoe prints westbound on the dirt trail into the wooded area. K-9 Ranger led Deputy D. York, Deputy K. Taylor, approximately 1 mile into the woods when I observed the defendant walking away from us. The defendant matched the description given to us by witnesses and was detained for further investigation.

After being advised of his Miranda Rights, the defendant admitted that he likes to look at the younger girls walking around the middle school and fantasizing about them. He admitted he was the suspect near the school and once he heard law enforcement in the woods he fled further away to avoid detection. The defendant confessed that he sometimes masturbates to the young girls he observes at the school and that this was not his first time.

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| Based on my investigation, I believe the defendant was within 500 feet of a school zone without legitimate business or authorization to remain on the school zone. I believe the defendant did violate Florida State Statute 810.0975.2b Tresspass on a School Safety Zone. This incident occurred in Okaloosa County where I am a sworn law enforcement officer. | | | | | | | |
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| Signature (Arresting Officer) | KEYES, ERIC S Name | | | 304 ID/SSN | | | |
| Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me who is personally known to me or has produce | - | - | | | | | |
| Signature | | Notary Public | LEO | co | | | |
| Commission No: | Му | Commission Expire: | s | | | | |
| Supervisor Signature | Date | Supervisor Nam | e (Please Print) | Rank | | | |
| [PHYSICAL EVIDENCE] [NO PHYSICAL | EVIDENCE I | LISTED] | | | | | |
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WARRANT/OTTIC SERVED OKALOOSA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT NO: OCSO14ARR010077 ()SC Return Court: COUNTY COURT: MISDEMEANG Date: 10/14/2014 Time: 01:00 Instructions: 1940 LEWIS TURNER BLVD, FORT WALTON BEACH [COURT INFORMATION] Court Judge Date Sent Revd COUNTY POLSON 9/25/2014 Court Case Number 14-11644 Assigned To: [DISPOSITION] Disposition Type Release Type Other Desc Release Date Release Time Release Officer Printed Printed By Released To Court DispositionType Court Disposition Description [ADDITIONAL PERSONS] COURT DISPOSITION: (right index)

○ No Bill / Petition ○ Issue Warrant ○ Prosecution Approved

Date

Signature of Assistant State Attorney