



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***

**November 17, 2021**

**VPD Report Number:** 21-095465

**Date/Time Occurred:** 11-17-21 0738 hrs.

**Type of Incident:** Criminal Threats to a School Site

**Location:** Riverway Elementary School/ Mt. View Elementary School

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

N/A

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

- 1. Male Juvenile
- 2.

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Yes

**Details:** On 11-17-21 at 7:38 a.m. the Visalia Police Department was notified of a shooting threat at Riverway Elementary School. While this threat was being investigated, the Visalia Police Department received a second shooting threat at Mt. View Elementary School. Youth Services Officers investigated both threats and quickly determined them to be related and were able to identify the caller as a 12-year-old La Joya Middle School student. The student was contacted on-campus and immediately detained. After a search of his person and his residence, no firearm was located. The juvenile was arrested and booked at the Juvenile Detention Facility for criminal threats against a school site.

Based on this criminal investigation, detectives believe that there is no additional threat to students, teachers, or school sites.

Anyone that has any additional information regarding these two incidents is urged to contact Detective Monica Ceja at 559-730-7664.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Youth Services Officers

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Mona Whaley

