

NEWS RELEASE

Sheriff's Office investigating hoax bomb threat call

Seminole Co., Fla. (09/26/2014) - At approximately 1:30 p.m. today, the Seminole County Sheriff's Office received a phone call advising there were bombs placed at three Seminole County elementary schools: Casselberry, Winter Springs, and Oviedo (which does not exist). Initial reports indicated that additional schools were receiving similar calls, but this proved to be inaccurate.

In an abundance of caution and working with law enforcement, Seminole County Public Schools made the determination to evacuate some schools while officers searched and cleared all public elementary schools. No suspicious devices were located. While searching the schools, deputies located a gas can outside of Idyllwilde Elementary School, which was evaluated and determined to be harmless.

Investigators are aggressively investigating the source of the call. No other information including the 911 call is available for release at this time.

Anyone with information about this crime is urged to call CrimeLine at 1-800-423-TIPS or the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at (407) 665-6650.

Please do not respond to this email as this account is not monitored. For more information contact:

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