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Drew McLaughlin Booking Photo.jpg

Drew James McLaughlin, 18, was arrested yesterday evening on the charges of robbery with a firearm and aggravated assault with a weapon related to this incident. He is currently being held at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility on a no bond status. McLaughlin is scheduled to attend first appearance this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at the jail.

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NEWS RELEASE

SCSO seeks public's help in identifying armed robber

Seminole Co. (October 26, 2015) - The Seminole County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) is asking the public's help in identifying a suspect involved in an armed robbery that occurred Friday evening at the Wal-Mart store located at 5511 Deep Lake Road, in unincorporated Oviedo.

At approximately 9:00 p.m., a Wal-Mart loss prevention officer was monitoring the store surveillance cameras when he witnessed a male suspect in the act of stealing store merchandise. After watching the suspect pass all points of sale, the loss prevention officer made contact with the suspect. Initially, the suspect cooperated and went with the loss prevention officer to a store office. While in the office, the suspect engaged in a physical altercation with the employee and threated him with a handgun. The employee ran from the office and the suspect fled on foot from the store with the stolen merchandise, which included headphones, boxer shorts, and a t-shirt. The store employee was not injured during the altercation. An extensive search was conducted in the surrounding residential and commercial areas, but the suspect was not located.

Investigators obtained surveillance photos from the store showing the altercation and the suspect. The photos are attached to this press release.

Anyone with information about this crime is urged to call SCSO Investigator Deglas at (407) 665-6958 or CrimeLine at 1-800-423-TIPS.

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