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## Student Charged in "Suspicious Package" Incident

**Town of Cicero, New York** – The Onondaga County Sheriff's Office reports that Sheriff's Detectives have made an arrest in connection with the suspicious package that was discovered this morning in the cafeteria of the Cicero-North Syracuse High School.

As students and faculty members from the CNS High School returned to class this afternoon, Sheriff's Detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division continued their investigation into the incident. Within hours, Detectives had developed a suspect in the case and made an arrest of a 17 year old male student from the school. Detectives charged the student with the felony of "Placing a False Bomb in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree." The student's name is being withheld at this time while school officials are notified of the arrest and conduct their internal investigation into the incident. The student is expected to be arraigned before a judge sometime this evening.

## **Previous Release**

At approximately 11:02 am this morning, Sheriff's Deputies along with members from the State Police and the Town of Cicero Police Department, responded to the Cicero-North Syracuse High School after a faculty member discovered a suspicious package in the cafeteria of the school. Due to safety concerns and school procedures, the Sheriff's Office School Resource Officer along with faculty members, quickly and safely evacuated the students from the school. The district's transportation office was also notified and sent several school buses to the school, which the students were placed on during the incident.

The Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad and K-9 units were also dispatched to the scene. After bomb technician's examined the package, it was determined that it posed no threat. Prior to allowing the students back into the school, the K-9 units conducted an interior and exterior sweep of the building to determine it was safe to reenter. No one was hurt in the incident.

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