

## PRESS RELEASE

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All individuals listed as arrested or charged with a crime in this press release are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

## Huntley Police Department closes Electronic Threats case with charges

The Huntley Police Department has charged a 13 year old Huntley resident with several offenses to include:

- Disorderly Conduct (threats made to school) Class 4 Felony
- Obstructing a Peace Officer Class A Misdemeanor
- Harassment by Electronic Communication Class 4 Felony
- Hate Crime Class 4 Felony
- Disorderly Conduct Class C Misdemeanor

All charges were approved by the McHenry County States Attorney's Office and filed in Juvenile Court. The juvenile is currently being detained at the Kane County Juvenile Detention Center.

These charges were brought as a result of a thorough investigation conducted by the Huntley Police Department regarding the Marlowe Middle School threat and racial statements made via Xbox Live. The incident was reported last week to the Huntley Police Department and was the subject of an earlier press release and Huntley Community School District 158 community message.

The juvenile that has been charged in this incident is not the same person that had been previously charged in regards to the reported hate crime at Marlowe Middle School in October of 2017.

Due to this incident involving juveniles and pending court proceedings, limited specific information is available for dissemination. The public is reminded that comments made via electronic means have consequences. The Huntley Police Department takes matters such as this extremely serious and will take appropriate actions to maintain the safety and well-being of our community.

The Huntley Police Department would like to thank the Lake in the Hills Police Department, Huntley Community School District 158, and the McHenry County States Attorney's Office for their assistance in this matter.