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Woman charged amid false claims of threats



Suspect: Tamekia Anderson

A Shreveport woman now sits behind bars following her arrest in an on-going investigation which led to tense moments at a local middle school Wednesday afternoon. Shortly after 11:30 a.m. on November 30, 2016, Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to Linwood Public Charter School after being notified by an off-duty Shreveport Police officer working on campus, of a potential threat against a faculty member, by a man who was thought to be heading to the school's campus.

As officers arrived at the scene, immediate contact was made with the school's School Resource officer, school officials, along with faculty member Ms. Tamekia Anderson, who serves as a teacher there. Based on preliminary information provided to police, Anderson advised that she was the alleged target of a threat at the hands of a man with whom she was acquaintances with. The alleged threats were reportedly communicated to Anderson electronically, while she was at the school and were said to warn of her being shot by the suspect who was reportedly on his way to the campus to harm her. As a precaution, the school was placed into a "lockdown" mode, ensuring all students were safely inside the school and secured inside classrooms while officers conducted a thorough search of the buildings and grounds. The search, which lasted at least an hour, concluded with negative results.

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes investigators were called to the scene and began an immediate and on-going inquiry into the allegations made by Anderson. Interviews with Anderson were conducted by authorities at Shreveport Police headquarters, at which time it was determined Anderson had grossly fabricated the details of the electronic messages she received. It was determined that while messages were received by Anderson, no threats of physical harm were ever made and no suspect was present on the campus at any time during the ordeal. In conclusion of subsequent interviews, investigators charged Anderson with a single count of Criminal Mischief. Anderson, 38, of the 3500 block of Ninock Street, was later booked into the Shreveport City Jail.

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