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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: School Burglary

Date: 11-17-08

From: Sgt. Tom Bates

Case or Incident: 081117-001

Summary:

On 11-17-2008 at 2:28 am, Capital City Fire/ Rescue was dispatched to River Bend Elementary School for a fire alarm.

Responding fire department units did not find a fire in the building but discovered the school had been broken into and vandalized. Officers of the Juneau Police Department were called to investigate.

Investigation revealed entry was gained through a rear window by breaking it and forcing it open. Inside the school, numerous classrooms including the school office were broken into. Fire extinguishers were discharged in the hallways, fish tanks were damaged and windows in classroom doors were smashed. Preliminary reports would also show that some small items were likely stolen from the classrooms.

No suspects have been identified, and the investigation continues.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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