



# TARPON SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CHIEF OF POLICE

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Time: 11:23 a.m.

On February 18, 2025 at approximately 0950hrs. School Resource Officers of the Tarpon Springs Police Department, assigned to Tarpon Springs High School, conducted an investigation, in regards to a student who brought a knife on campus.

During the investigation, it was determined that an 18-year-old student brought the knife onto the school campus and threatened another student with the knife following an altercation. The 18-year-old male is identified as Juan Martinez 9/26/2006 and he is being charged with the following crimes:

1Ct. Aggravated Assault

1Ct. Threatening Communication or Threats of Mass Shooting (This charge is due to the defendant making an online threat to do harm to the victim. There were no threats to any other students or the school).

1Ct. Possession of a Weapon on School Board Property

1Ct. Child Abuse

At this time, we will not release the name of the juvenile victim.



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