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Incident involving Lockdown of VCHS

On 9-13-17 at 1259 an officer with the Valley City Police Department observed a suspicious male enter VCHS. VCPD had been notified a short time prior that this unknown male had attempted to enter VCHS to attend a college career day in the HAC. The male was told by staff that the event was not open to the public and was for students and faculty of area schools. The VCPD SRO notified on duty VCPD officers of the situation and a short time later officers observed the male enter the school through a different door.

Through the quick response of VCPS staff, VCPD School Resource Officer Sean Hagen and several other officers with VCPD, a search was conducted and the male was quickly found and detained. VCHS staff did act appropriately and activate a lock down procedure to ensure the safety of all students and staff.

Lucas Bergenheier, a 20 year old resident of Valley City, was subsequently arrested by VCPD for Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct.

Any further information involving this case can be directed to VCPD at 701-845-3110

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