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# NEWS RELEASE

## HPD Makes Arrests in School Threat Incident

**HINESVILLE, Ga. (August 15, 2019)** – On Tuesday, August 13, officers of the Hinesville Police Department (HPD) were dispatched to Lewis Fraiser Middle School in response to a call regarding a person who made a threat to the safety of the school. The threat was conveyed to students who were stopped in traffic on a school bus.

Officers were able to identify the individual based on an encounter from earlier in the day and began actively searching for him.

Soon after, officers were dispatched to a local business of Highway 84 / Oglethorpe Highway in response to a call about a suspicious male. When officers arrived on the scene, they were able to identify the man as the individual who made the threat. He was subdued and taken into custody.

He is currently being medically evaluated and charges are pending upon release.

This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with a child with firsthand knowledge of the incident is encouraged to contact HPD at 912.368.8211.

### **ABOUT THE CITY OF HINESVILLE:**

The [City of Hinesville](http://cityofhinesville.org) was established in 1837 and is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Georgia in both size and population. As the largest city in Liberty County, it serves as the county seat and is home to more than 35,000 people. For more information, visit [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org).

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