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**Incident at Bradwell Institute on February 12, 2020**

**HINESVILLE, Ga. (Feb. 12, 2020)** – Hinesville Police Department’s (HPD) School Resource Officer (SRO) at Bradwell Institute responded to an incident in a classroom at approximately 12:50 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12.

The class was being overseen by a substitute teacher. Just prior to the SRO being requested to the classroom, there was a disruptive student who was told to report to the principal’s office. After refusing to leave the classroom, the substitute teacher requested the assistance of the principal to address the disruption. Upon the arrival the principal in the classroom, the student still refused to leave class.

According to reports, after discussions between the student and principal failed to result in the student leaving class, the SRO was summoned to assist.

The SRO and police recruit trainee arrived at the classroom at approximately 12:50 p.m. and requested that the student report to the principal’s office. The student still refused to leave class, despite requests from both the principal and SRO.

When these discussions failed to resolve the issue, students were cleared from the classroom. As students were exiting the classroom, the student in question decided to leave the room rather than be escorted to the principal’s office by the SRO and police recruit. He was asked to leave with the officers, but attempted to avoid the officers and, in doing so, tripped over a desk. The officers subdued the student and escorted him off campus.

Presently, the incident is under investigation and the student is being charged with Disrupting a Public School and Unruly Juvenile.

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