



# News Release

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## Suspicious Circumstance at Evergreen Forest Elementary School

On Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at about 4 p.m., deputies from the Thurston County Sheriff's Office responded to the Evergreen Forest Elementary School for the report of a suspicious circumstance involving a 9-year-old student.

The school is located at 3025 Marvin Road SE., southeast of Lacey, in unincorporated Thurston County

At a little after 1 p.m., the victim reported to her teacher that a man had approached her in the hall, outside of her classroom, and asked, "Hey little girl, do you want some candy?"

The victim did not reply but instead rushed into her classroom and related what had happened to her teacher.

School administrators were notified and a search of the school grounds failed to locate the suspect.

The victim provided the following suspect description:  
A white, male, 5'8" to 5'10" and approximately 30 years of age, large nose, a bushy mustache, black hair worn in a mullet and a ring worn on his left hand. He was last seen wearing a green print t-shirt and long, baggy tan shorts.

**The sheriff's office is increasing both marked and unmarked patrols in the area and the case is currently assigned to the detective division for investigation.**

**Anyone with any information on this incident is encouraged to telephone Detective Schell @ 360-754-4395 or Thurston County Crime Stoppers @ 360-493-2222.**

Submitted: Lt. Chris Mealy  
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