

JUVENILE CONFIDENTIAL



Cornell Police Dept

Incident #: 22CO01031

Reporting Officer: Glenn Rehberg - COPD

Report Time: 12/08/2022 07:42:25

Incident

Incident Nature
Juvenile related cases

Address
708 BRIDGE ST; CORNELL MIDDLE AND
HIGH SCHOOL
CORNELL, Wisconsin 54732

Occurred From
12/02/2022 00:00:00

Occurred To
12/02/2022 00:00:00

Received By
Samantha Bloom

How Received
Officer Report

Contact
210

Disposition
Closed Case

Miscellaneous Entry

Disposition Date
12/21/2022

Cleared

Judicial Status

Cleared Date

Clearance
Report Taken

Cargo Theft Related

CORNELL HIGH SCHOOL

Complainant

Address
708 BRIDGE ST
CORNELL WI 54732

Phone
(715)861-6947

DOB

Sex

Race

Responding Officer(s)
Glenn Rehberg - COPD

Persons

ELLIOTT, DAVID R
Witness

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

VROMAN, BRYAN L
Father

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

VROMAN, ASHLEY A
Mother

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

PATTON, MONICA J
Legal Guardian

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

PITSCH, SAMANTHA J
Witness

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

**CORNELL HIGH SCHOOL
Complainant**

Address 708 BRIDGE ST CORNELL Wisconsin 54732	Phone (715)861-6947	DOB
Race	Sex	Ethnicity
Height	Weight 0	

Narratives

Original Narrative

12/08/2022 13:46:20

On 12/7/22 I received an emailed statement from Principal David Elliott of the Cornell Middle/High School regarding actions of juvenile student [REDACTED]. In his statement, Elliott said that [REDACTED] made threatening statements in class on Friday, 12/2/22 in front of middle school special education teacher Samantha Pitsch.

PITSCH STATEMENT:

In 6th hour 8th grade math class, [REDACTED] was to be working independently on his math lesson. I overheard him singing a tune with the words, "We are all going to die," repeatedly. He was asked several times to stop. He did eventually. He then made a comment about a noise sounding like dead bodies, At this point he was asked to leave the room and go to the office, as he was causing a major disruption amongst the other students. He refused. He was then wandering the room. At this point, I removed the other students from the room. He was then standing near the window and saying; "If there is a school shooting I hope it's in winter. I can make a snow pile and jump out. Better yet, I will be the school shooter." At this point I called for Mr. Elliott to come to assist in removing [REDACTED] from the room. In the process of attempting to remove [REDACTED] said "I'm high" several times. During this processes [REDACTED] was acting erratically and pushed desks around the room and sniffing the heat vent. Mr. Elliott and Mr. Braaten were able to eventually remove [REDACTED] from the room."

Elliott's statement went on to say that [REDACTED] locker was searched with no threatening materials found, and that [REDACTED] had been suspended for 3 days.

ELLIOTT CONTACT:

I spoke with Elliott on the morning of 12/8/22. He informed me that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Elliott informed me that teachers were afraid of [REDACTED]. Elliott said [REDACTED] shows no remorse for his actions and frequently refused to acknowledge or answer Elliott or other staff members. He informed me that [REDACTED] mother, Ashley Vroman, [REDACTED] and father Bryan Vroman has not been returning school contact attempts. Elliott identified guardian as Monica Patton, where [REDACTED] had stayed for a brief time.
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

MONICA PATTON CONTACT:

On 12/8/22 at 1:10pm I telephoned Patton at the number provided by the school. I identified myself and the reason for calling. Patton said that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Patton spoke to [REDACTED] on Friday while he was at school following his threat when [REDACTED] was unresponsive to staff. She said he's generally honest with her, and [REDACTED] said he didn't have intention to act upon his threats. She reportedly asked him why he made them, knowing it would get police involved and such threats are inappropriate, but [REDACTED] didn't give a reason. [REDACTED] said he wasn't angry or sad when he made the threats. Patton said she's given the school permission to search [REDACTED] when needed, and she's attempting to get [REDACTED] back into therapy, having already contacted several providers.

[REDACTED]

I asked how Patton thought I could best help the situation. She thought it would be beneficial to have some sort of discussion with [REDACTED] to help him understand it's not a small thing to make such threats, and there are consequences. Patton didn't want his behavior to evolve into something he acts on, expressing concern that he's aging and getting bigger and stronger. She said this is the first time he's made these types of threats, but hardly the first behavioral issue he's had.

[REDACTED]

Patton believed that Bryan may be on board with getting [REDACTED] into counseling, and Patton was willing to come to Cornell to assist with a meeting if that would be helpful. When faced with a possible referral for juvenile delinquency, Patton said she appreciates and understands a juvenile justice referral for a matter such as this.

I said I would follow-up with Patton following a conversation with [REDACTED].

VROMAN CONTACT:

On 12/8/22 at about 1:40pm I telephoned Bryan Vroman and identified myself and the reason for calling. [REDACTED]

I asked Bryan if he could bring [REDACTED] to the police department today or tomorrow, and Bryan said neither was possible as he had to work. He said he could bring in [REDACTED] tonight after work, and I arranged to have him meet with Officer Abbate at 7:30pm at the police department.

DISPOSITION:

Case remains open.

Chief Rehberg

Supplemental Narrative 12/09/2022 02:44:19 Luke Abbate - COPD

On December 8th, at approximately 6:30 pm, Bryan and [REDACTED] came to the Cornell Police Department. I met with them in the recorded interview room, showed them the body camera that I was recording the contact with, and set it on the table in their view. I then advised that I was meeting with them regarding information that Chief Rehberg had received, and advised Bryan and [REDACTED] that they were not required to talk with me. I advised that the door to the room was open and no doors were locking them in, and they were free to stop talking and walk out at any time. They both advised they understood.

I observed that [REDACTED] was fidgeting and he did not make eye contact. [REDACTED] appeared to not want to talk, and he was told by Bryan several times that he should talk and he should use this chance to tell his side of things, and [REDACTED] did not respond. I asked [REDACTED] to tell me his name and his information, which he did, and asked him to tell me about the incident. [REDACTED] did not reply to my prompting, and after some time I asked some direct questions. [REDACTED] did not reply when I asked who he was talking with at the school, shrugged his shoulders when I asked if he remembered who was in the room, and shrugged when I asked who he was talking with.

[REDACTED] eventually said that he was "joking" to make people laugh when he talked about the possibility of having to jump out of a window to avoid a school shooter. He claimed he was joking because the classroom he was in was on the 3rd floor, and that jumping out would hurt unless there was a lot of snow. He claimed he had not intended to say he was going to be a school shooter, and that he said the school shooting would have to be in December because that was the month that snow came. He advised he was saying the joke because it would take lots of snow to make it safe to jump from the 3rd floor window.

[REDACTED] claimed that he was not singing words, but admitted that he was "humming." He scowled and shook his head when I asked him about what he was singing or humming, and he did not answer. Several times when I asked what he had said or been talking about, [REDACTED] put his head down on his arms on the table and he did not respond. [REDACTED] said he was not mad at anyone at school "that day." He did not respond when I asked him what day it had been. After several more moments of talking and asking questions, I was able to get [REDACTED] to say the day of the incident was on Friday. His father, Bryan, agreed with that date and advised he had been notified on Monday.

[REDACTED] shook his head "no" when I asked if he felt like hurting others, had plans to harm people at school, or planned to act like a school shooter. He did not respond again until I asked about his dog and what he liked to play in his spare time. [REDACTED] advised he liked to play games and listen to music, mentioning that he listened to the radio "Z100." I asked [REDACTED] if there was anything in the school's account of the incident that he thought was not true or he disagreed with, and he scowled and shook his head. When it was apparent that [REDACTED] was not going to respond to more questions or give more information, I thanked Bryan and [REDACTED] for coming and ended the interview. After the conclusion of the interview, I advised [REDACTED] that I has seen that he liked to fidget, and I provided him with a pick of a fidget toy from the Cornell Police Department toy donation bag, and he picked out a toy he called "an infinity cube." I then ended contact with the Vromans.

Officer Luke Abbate
Cornell Police Department

Supplemental Narrative 12/09/2022 11:59:05 Glenn Rehberg - COPD

On 12/9/22 I completed a juvenile referral form and sent it to Chippewa County. I telephoned guardian Monica Patton at about 12:18pm and said I would be referring him.

Case closed.

Chief Rehberg