

Press Release

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Subject: Suspicious Situation Investigation Update

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On March 15, 2021, at approximately 7:02 a.m., Howell Police were dispatched to a report of a suspicious situation. The complainant wanted to report a possible attempted abduction of a juvenile from the area of a school bus stop.

The Howell Police Department began an immediate investigation into the incident. The report was that a white male driver of a white Jeep stopped and waved at the juvenile at an intersection near the bus stop. As a result of that investigation, it was determined that there was no verbal communication between the driver and the juvenile. The juvenile believed the driver was waving them toward the Jeep. The juvenile ran from the location and the Jeep continued on.

Officers canvassed the area, investigated any received tips on the matter, and conducted extra patrols and surveillance. It was determined that the second vehicle, which is being reported on social media as having been in the area, is not related. At this point, the Howell Police Department does not believe students at our local bus stops are in any danger however, we encourage children to continue to report any suspicious activity to a parent, teacher, or police officer so that we can continue to keep our community safe.