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PRESS RELEASE - UPD CASES #19-2272

DATE: 08/22/2019

TIME OF CALL: 10:37 AM

LOCATION: 1000 Low Gap Rd. (Ukiah High School)

CRIME: 11375(b)(1) H&S-Possession of prescription pills for sale-Felony
11357(d) H&S-Possession of Marijuana on school grounds-Misdemeanor
11350(a) H&S-Possession of a controlled substance-Misdemeanor
11377(a) H&S-Possession of a controlled substance-Misdemeanor
4573(a) PC-Bringing drugs into a correctional facility-Felony

SUSPECT: 14-year-old Ukiah High School Student

August 26, 2019 - Ukiah, CA - On August 22, 2019, at approximately 1037 hours, Ukiah High School (UHS) officials viewed what was believed to be a drug transaction occurring on campus. UHS officials immediately began an investigation along with UPD School Resource Officer (SRO) B. Chapman.

Through their investigation, it was determined that a 14-year-old student was in possession of several prescription pills, concentrated cannabis, two vape pens, and other controlled substances. The pills were found to be packaged in a manner consistent with sales. Based on these findings, the juvenile was subsequently arrested for the above-listed charges and booked into the Mendocino County juvenile hall. After being booked into the juvenile hall, the arrested juvenile was found to be in possession of additional narcotics. The juvenile was additionally charged with 4573(a) PC.

“Safety is a priority here at Ukiah High School, and we are relieved that this incident was over quickly. We are incredibly proud of the swift action taken by our campus supervisors, school administration, and SRO Chapman. We are lucky to have a great working relationship with the Ukiah Police Department, and we will continue to fully cooperate with them on this case and any future matter that involves our students,” said Gordon Oslund, UHS Principal.

Ukiah Police Detectives and members of the Mendocino Major Crimes Task Force were contacted to assist in the investigation. Search warrants were obtained for the residence of the juvenile. A search of the residence revealed a marijuana honey oil lab being used in the residence. Additional prescription narcotics, as well as evidence further substantiating sales of prescription narcotics, were also located inside the residence. As a result of the search warrants, an 18-year-old male adult was arrested at the residence and booked into the Mendocino County jail for the following charges:

11375(b)(1) H&S-Possession of prescription narcotics for sale-Felony
273a(a) PC-Child Endangerment-Felony
272(a) PC-Contributing to the delinquency of a minor-Misdemeanor
182(a)(1) PC-Conspiracy to commit a crime-Felony

Anyone with any additional information is urged to contact Ukiah PD at 707-463-6262.

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