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Media Release: August 28, 2019 Student arrested after threats made at Cabrillo College

Case #: 19-07512
Location: Cabrillo College – 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos
Suspect: Jonah Watson 20-year-old Monterey County Resident.

Crimes: 422 PC Criminla Threats Felony

This morning around 7 a.m., the Sheriff's Office received a report from Cabrillo College Administration about an unknown person who made a violent threat regarding the Accessibility Support Center. The threat was reported to have been made yesterday afternoon, overheard by another student, and reported to the Sheriff's Office early this morning. The suspect was initially not known based on the third-hand information provided.

The Sheriff's Office immediately began working to track down the person who heard this information and were able to identify the suspect, 20-year-old, Jonah Watson. Watson was not on campus this morning when the initial report was made to the Sheriff's Office.

Deputies were able to track Watson's location as he came back to school. Watson was arrested by several deputies without incident as he arrived on campus. Watson was placed under arrest for making criminal threats. Watson was not armed and did not have any weapons in his backpack.

There is no current threat to the campus or students at Cabrillo College. The Sheriff's Office is still investigating the case.

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