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Wylie Student Medical Issue

ABILENE, TX – On Tuesday, March 2, 2021, Abilene Police were notified of an incident involving a 12-year-old female student who was suffering severe medical issues after walking home from school. The girl walked home with a group of friends and a younger sister. Her 11-year-old sister offered the 12-year-old a lollipop type candy which was given to the 11-year-old by a schoolmate who found it at school.

The older sister partook of the candy, but did not finish it, and disposed it. She began having medical issues shortly after arriving home. The younger sibling called parents, and the 12-year-old was eventually taken to a local hospital and subsequently flown to a Ft. Worth Hospital with severe medical issues.

Social media posts have attributed the medical issue to the candy ingested by the 12-year-old. The Abilene Police Department Youth Division is currently investigating and there has been no cause deemed yet.

APD is working with Wylie ISD and the families involved to ensure a thorough investigation is completed. Our Child Advocate is in contact with the family of the 12-year-old and providing any assistance necessary.

As stated the cause of her medical condition has not been identified. That being said, we want to urge parents to help children understand the dangers of ingesting anything not from a trusted source. If any family believes their child may have had a similar incident or reaction to contact our non-emergency number, 673-8331

Media Conference

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

1:30 p.m.

Abilene Police Department, 4565 S. 1st

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin

Public Information Coordinator

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