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### **No Weapon Found During “Lockdown” and Search of Dana Hills High School**

**DANA POINT, Calif.** – (May 29, 2014) – On Thursday, May 29, 2014 at approximately 12:30 p.m., Orange County Sheriff's deputies were made aware by Dana Hills High School administrators of an empty rifle/shotgun carrying case that was left in the parking lot of the school. At the time they were notified, deputies were already at the school investigating a separate incident unrelated to the gun carrying case.

Based on discovery of the empty rifle/shotgun carrying case in the school parking lot, deputies placed all students and staff on “lockdown,” limiting movement until a thorough search of the school could be completed. The Orange County Sheriff's Department Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team and Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) were requested for additional personnel to complete a search of the school campus.

A systematic search of the Dana Hills High School campus resulted in no weapons being found. No students or staff members were detained or arrested related to the incident.

At approximately 3:30 p.m., the “lockdown” was lifted and students were released from the campus. Sheriff's deputies assisted school administration with coordinating a systematic release of students and vehicles from the school campus.

Sheriff's investigators will continue to investigate and determine why the rifle/shotgun carrying case may have been left in the school parking lot.

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