



POLICE DEPARTMENT
ROANOKE COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER
5925 COVE ROAD • ROANOKE, VIRGINIA 24019
NON-EMERGENCY (540) 562-3265
EMERGENCY DIAL 9-1-1

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Contact: Amy Whittaker
Title: Public Information Officer
Contact Number: (540) 772-2010

Suspect Charged in High School Threat

(Roanoke County, VA) April 21, 2016 – Roanoke County Police have charged a student at William Byrd High School with making threats at the school on April 7 and April 18. Threatening messages were discovered written in a girl's bathroom.

Charges include:

- One count of Threats to bomb or damage buildings or means of transportation; false information as to danger to such buildings etc. (Sec. §18.2-83 of the Code of Virginia).
- One count of Threats of death or bodily injury; threats to commit serious bodily harm to persons on school property (Sec. §18.2-60 of the Code of Virginia).

Both are felony charges.

Police continue to investigate similar threats made at Northside High School on April 15 and 18, as well as at Hidden Valley High School on April 19. Police will be investigating another threat made today at William Byrd High School.

###