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PRESS RELEASE

Ceres, California
Ceres Police Department
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Contact: Sgt. Greg Yotsuya (209) 538-5719

Ceres, Calif. – On May 22nd, 2018 at 1130 AM, the Ceres Police Department received a 911 call that was transferred by the California Highway Patrol. The caller advised that there was a bomb at Sinclear Elementary School.

The Ceres Police Department immediately contacted the school and implemented the lock down protocol. Ceres Police and Ceres Fire responded to the school and met with school administrators. Officers and Fire personnel immediately began searching the school with school staff.

An unattended musical instrument case was located on the school grounds. Based on the fact that this case was found outside of the classroom with no one around it, it was deemed suspicious. The Ceres Police Department and school administrators evacuated students and staff to nearby Central Valley High School. This was done out of an overabundance of caution in the sake of the safety of students and staff.

The Stanislaus County Sheriff Department bomb squad was consulted and responded. A meticulous search of the entire school campus was completed. The suspicious instrument case was inspected by the bomb squad and deemed benign.

The all clear was given at 1:50 PM.

The original 911 call is being investigated by the Ceres Police Department Investigations unit. No additional information related to this phone call will be released at this time due to this on-going investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Det. Bryan Ferreira @ 209-538-5616.

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