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TO: **News / Assignment Desk or News Editor**

Attempted Kidnapping

On Friday, September 2, 2022, at about 8:00 AM, Lafayette police officers were dispatched to a report of a suspicious person who had grabbed a 14-year-old girl near Stanley Middle School in Lafayette.

Upon arrival at Stanley Middle School officers learned that an unknown white male approached the girl who was walking to school on Monroe Avenue after being dropped off by a parent.

The man asked the girl if she was alone, then grabbed her by the shoulder. The girl attempted to break free from his grasp, but he kept a firm grip. The girl was eventually able to break free and run away. She contacted school officials, who notified law enforcement.

The suspect is described as a white male adult, approximately 40 years old, heavy set, 5'8" to 5'9" tall, with stubble facial hair. He was wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt with a white shirt underneath and dark-colored pants. He was driving a white 4-door sedan with stock wheels and mud spray on the driver's side of the vehicle.

The investigation is ongoing by the Lafayette police department and the Contra Costa County Office of the Sheriff. As this occurred in a residential area, investigators are asking residents in the area to check their home security cameras to see if the suspect or vehicle were captured.

Anyone with any information or video of this incident is asked to contact the Lafayette Police Department at (925) 283-3680 or through police dispatch at (925) 646-2441. For any tips, email: tips@so.cccounty.us or call (866) 846-3592 to leave an anonymous voice message.

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