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## **East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office News Advisory**

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### **Students Arrested After Gun Found in School**

The School Drug Task Force arrested two students today at Tara High School, 9002 Whitehall Avenue, after a gun was found in the booksack of a 16-year-old 10<sup>th</sup> grader.

The 16-year-old male is charged with Illegal Carrying of a Weapon on School Property and Jesus Morejon, 17, is charged with Illegal Carrying of a Weapon on School Property and Aggravated Assault.

According to reports, the School Drug Task Force was contacted this afternoon by a school administrator after an anonymous student reported the 16 and 17-year-old 10<sup>th</sup> graders in possession of the weapon. Deputies discovered an unloaded .38 caliber handgun inside the booksack of the 16-year-old student. According to witnesses, Morejon took the weapon and pointed it at another student during class in a threatening manner, allegedly placing it directly on the student's face. He then allegedly returned the weapon to the 16 year old. The 16-year-old student told deputies that he purchased the weapon illegally off the street. The juvenile will be booked into Juvenile Detention, and Morejon will be booked into parish prison.

The School Drug Task Force is a multi-agency unit made up of East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Deputies and Baton Rouge Police Officers. Students with information concerning this incident or similar incidents are encouraged to notify a school administrator, contact the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office at 225-389-5000 or Crime Stoppers anonymously at (225) 344- STOP or (225) 344-7867. Students can also text "CS225" plus their message to CRIMES (274637).

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