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Ten Year Old Located After Leaving School Code Red Initiated

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Kettering- Kettering Police responded to Oakview School, 4001 Ackerman Blvd. at approximately 12:20 p.m. today after a student left the school grounds.

A witness reported that the student was seen climbing a fence south of the school grounds. Responding officers canvassed the area and searched for the student who was described as wearing a short sleeve, brown and pink shirt and carrying a back pack.

The Kettering Police Dispatch put in place a Code Red which automatically dialed 8, 054 local phone numbers. The system reached 6,100 of those local numbers and left a recorded message of the juvenile's description and alert. A Police K9 was dispatched to the area of the school to track the student.

As a result of the Code Red, Kettering Police Dispatch Center received a call from a local resident who reported that the missing juvenile had stopped at his garage sale within the last hour. The juvenile indicated that she was going to a local fast food restaurant.

Officers checked local restaurants and businesses for the juvenile. The officers were then directed to Burger King on Wilmington Pike after the juvenile had contacted her mother. Good Samaritan's had apparently engaged in a conversation with the juvenile and discovered that she was determined to run away. The Samaritan's then encouraged her to make phone contact with her mother.

The juvenile was located safe and sound at Burger King and reunited with her mother.

The Kettering Police Department is thankful that we received a call that assisted in locating the juvenile. The Good Samaritan's should be commended for reaching out to the juvenile and looking out for her well being.

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