Student sparks HS lockdown

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A suspended Gates Chili High School student is accused of breaking into the school armed with a knife that caused a lock down Wednesday morning.

Jonathan P. Jordain, 17, allegedly tried to gain entrance to the high school after he was told he could not enter.

Jordain, who was charged with one felony, second-degree burglary, and three misdemeanors, third-degree criminal mischief, fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon, attempted third-degree assault, was taken into custody at 10:44 a.m Wednesday, according to the Gates Police Lt. John Ballard. He has yet to be arraigned.

He told police that he was under the influence of cocaine when he tried to gain entry to the school. Jordain then smashed out a glass door with a table and entered the foyer of the school.

When he was confronted by school security guards, he sprayed them in the face with a fire extinguisher. According to Gates police, Jordain was armed with a large folding knife.

'A student who was suspended from school came onto the campus and forced his way into the high school before being stopped by security,' the Gates police said in a release. 'The school went into lock down and the student was arrested by Gates police. All students and staff are safe and the situation was quickly brought to a conclusion.'

Jordain has been arrested three previous times, twice criminally, since August, according to the Gates police.

He was given an appearance ticket for falsely reporting an incident after sending threatening tweets over Twitter on Aug. 8.

Then at 9:30 p.m. on Aug. 24, he was detained by police under the mental hygiene law, a civil detention, after allegedly sending more threatening tweets. He was taken to Unity Hospital and released less than two days later. Gates police then arrested Jordain for falsely reporting an incident for the previous tweets. He was arraigned in Gates Town Court. Jordain appeared in Gates Town Court on Sept. 9. After being released, he allegedly went home and called 911. Following this, Jordain threw a TV and glass bottles into the street. He was charged with unlawful dumping of debris, littering, and aggravated harassment. He was arraigned on Oct. 20.

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