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PENFIELD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - BAY TRAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL INVESTIGATION

Penfield, NY (August 15, 2019) - At 12:32 a.m. on today's date, August 15, 2019, Monroe County Sheriff's deputies responded to Bay Trail Middle School, 1760 Scribner Rd, Penfield for the report of a teenager who fell through a skylight on the roof of the building. The teen fell approximately 28 feet to the gymnasium floor. When deputies arrived, they discovered the 18-year-old victim, of Penfield (a 2019 Penfield High School graduate), on the gymnasium floor with critical injuries. The other teen present at the time, an 18-year-old male of Penfield (a 2019 Penfield High School graduate), told deputies he had called 911 to report the incident. He also told deputies he and his friend were lying on the rooftop skylight to smoke marijuana when his friend fell through the window. The injured teen was transported to Strong Memorial Hospital where he is listed in guarded condition. The names of the teenagers are being withheld at this time. Charges may be pending.

"This is an unfortunate, tragic incident and our thoughts are with both teenagers and their families," **said Monroe County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Michael Fowler.** *"We are saddened by the decisions of two young individuals that led to potentially life-threatening consequences."*

Penfield Central School District officials, including Superintendent Thomas Putnam, responded to the scene. The PCSD has video surveillance on its school buildings and is cooperating fully with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in its investigation.

"We are deeply upset over this tragic accident and our thoughts are with both of the young men and their families," **said Penfield Central School District Superintendent Thomas Putnam.**

The investigation is ongoing. There is no further information to share at this time.

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