



Preliminary Complaint Form
Chief of Police - Anthony W. Rosa

Employee's Name: Jason Jolicoeur Date: 05/03/2022

P.D. Case/Citation#: 42-2203-010029 I.A. #: 22-05-01

Alleged Misconduct (Attach additional sheets if necessary):

19.6.2. Competence

19.6.3. Redendering Assistance and Duty Conduct

19.6.4. Integrity

See attached memorandum from complainant

Complainant (print): Jose Alejandro Signature:

Phone (home/Cell): 954-557-0137 Phone (work):

Address:

Supervisor Receiving Complaint: Sergeant Eric Fernandez

Handwritten signature and date: 5-3-22

Investigation Authorized by: Anthony Rosa, Chief of Police 5/9/22

Investigation Conducted by: J. Stewart I.A. Investigation: Yes

Findings: [X] Unfounded [] Not Sustained [] Sustained [] Exonerated [] Training

Division Commander: [Signature] Date:

Deputy Chief: [Signature] Date:

Recommended Discipline (on Notice of Intent):

Final Disposition: unfounded

Chief of Police: [Signature] Date: 10/17/22

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Incident Report Additional Name List

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OCA: 42-2203-010029

Additional Name List

Name Code/#	Name (Last, First, Middle)	Victim of Crime #	DOB	Age	Race	Sex
1) IO 3	CROSNO, ZACHERY LEE		06/16/1995	26	W	M
	Address 3409 NW 122 AVE, SUNRISE, FL 33323-		H: 954-240-5269			
	Emp/Addr Piper Coach		B: - -			
			Mobile #: - -			
2) IO 4	GARCIA RODRIGUEZ, RAMON DANIEL		01/28/1976	46	W	M
	Address 7380 NW 54TH ST, LAUDERHILL, FL 33319-		H: 954-709-8397			
	Emp/Addr		B: - -			
			Mobile #: - -			
3) IO 5	COSTANZO, COLBY				W	M
	Address 8000 NW 44TH ST, SUNRISE, FL 33351-		H: 754-322-1700			
	Emp/Addr Piper High		B: - -			
			Mobile #: - -			
4) IO 6	ORTIZ, ANTHONY				W	M
	Address 8000 NW 44TH ST, SUNRISE, FL 33351-		H: - -			
	Emp/Addr Piper High School		B: 754-322-1700			
			Mobile #: - -			

INCIDENT/INVESTIGATION REPORT

Sunrise Police Department

Case # 42-2203-010029

Status Codes L = Lost S = Stolen R = Recovered D = Damaged Z = Seized B = Burned C = Counterfeit / Forged F = Found						
	UCR	Status	Quantity	Type Measure	Suspected Type	Up to 3 types of activity
D R U G S						

Assisting Officers

Suspect Hate / Bias Motivated:

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REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE

Sunrise Police Department

Victim [REDACTED]	Offense <i>BATTERY</i>	OCA 42-2203-010029 Date / Time Reported Wed 03/09/2022 16:26
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Piper High School
8000 NW 44th Street, Sunrise, FL
Battery on a School Official 781.081 (2)(c)

On March 9, 2022, at approximately 1439 hours, School Security Monitor Edward Peterson notified School Resource Officers (SRO) Adlai Taylor and I via the radio of a physical disturbance, which was occurring in the school bus loop parking lot.

Upon arrival, we made contact with Adult Education Assistant Principal (AP) [REDACTED] who provided the following information: AP [REDACTED] stated while leaving his assignment at Piper Community School, he observed a student having an animated discussion with Monitor Peterson. The student later identified as Emmanuel Alejandro was saying "they're going to jump me".

AP [REDACTED] stated he observed a different unknown student approach Emmanuel, drop his belongings and square up to fight. Emmanuel also dropped his belongings and both students began to physically fight. Monitor Peterson attempted to break up the fight, when AP [REDACTED] observed a large group of students approaching their location. He stated he then decided to assist Monitor Peterson with the incident.

AP [REDACTED] stated he took Emmanuel, who happened to be on the bottom of the fight and Monitor Peterson took the top unknown student, who appeared to be the instigator of the fight. He stated they were unable to separate them and AP [REDACTED] stayed on top of Emmanuel while Monitor Peterson stayed on top of the other unknown student until further assistance could arrive.

After 5-10 seconds, a different individual later identified as Abraham Alejandro approached him and stated "get the fuck off my brother." AP [REDACTED] stated he verbally identified himself to Abraham as a school official (Administrator). He stated that Abraham subsequently put his hands around his throat and pulled him off of his brother, Emmanuel. AP [REDACTED] stated he verbally identified himself again to Abraham as a school official (Administrator). Abraham replied, "I don't give a fuck, that's my brother."

** (Body Worn Camera Activation) **

During this investigation, I observed redness around the lower part of AP [REDACTED]'s neck and a small laceration to his right hand. AP [REDACTED] stated he wishes to pursue charges against Abraham Alejandro for battery on a school official.

On the same date, during a Post Miranda interview, Abraham Alejandro provided the following statement: He stated he received a phone call from his brother that he was going to be jumped by a group of students. Abraham stated he responded to Piper High School to assist his brother. Once Abraham arrived on scene, he observed AP [REDACTED] holding his brother down. Abraham stated he was concerned for his brother's safety because some bystanders that were present were stating Emmanuel couldn't breathe. [REDACTED]

Also, during this investigation, I determined there was enough probable cause to arrest Abraham Alejandro for Battery on a School Official 781.081 (2)(c). Abraham was transported to the Broward County Inmate Facility without incident.

On the same date, I also placed a copy of AP [REDACTED]'s written statement and a picture of his injuries into

REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE

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evidence manager.

Note: After reviewing the school surveillance footage, I was unable to observe the incident between AP [REDACTED] and Abraham due to the school buses blocking the view.

On the same date, Assistant Kenneth Walton advised Abraham that he was being trespassed from Piper High School. I also informed Abraham that he was being trespassed from Piper High, which he acknowledged and understood.

This investigation is complete. No further involvement or investigation is needed at this time.

Under penalties of perjury I declare that I have read the foregoing and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Electronically signed by: 3694 Jolicoeur, Jason

Date: March 9, 2022 Time: 1800 hours

Incident Report Suspect List

Sunrise Police Department

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1	Name (Last, First, Middle) <i>ALEJANDRO, ABRAHAM MICHAEL</i>					Also Known As					Home Address <i>5372 NW 89TH AV SUNRISE, FL 33351 954-599-6857</i>				
	Business Address														
	DOB	Age	Race	Sex	Eth	Hgt	Wgt	Hair	Eye	Skin	Driver's License / State.				
	<i>12/07/1994</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>508</i>	<i>178</i>	<i>BLK</i>	<i>BRO</i>	<i>LBR</i>	<i>A425013944470 FL</i>				
Scars, Marks, Tattoos, or other distinguishing features															
Reported Suspect Detail															
Suspect Age		Race		Sex		Eth		Height		Weight		SSN			
<i>27</i>		<i>W</i>		<i>M</i>				<i>508</i>		<i>178</i>					
Weapon, Type		Feature		Make		Model		Color		Caliber		Dir of Travel			
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Date / Time: 03/16/2022 14:35:54, Wednesday

Supervisor: FERNANDEZ, E. (3677)

Supervisor Review Date / Time: 03/24/2022 11:18:15, Thursday

Contact:

Reference: Follow Up

Piper High School

8000 NW 44th Street, Sunrise, FL

Supplemental Report (42-2203-010029)

BWC in use

On March 10, 2022, at approximately 0940 hours, Assistant Principal (AP) Kenneth Walton contacted Officer Adlai Taylor and I via the school radio to respond to the principal's conference room for an unknown reason. Upon arrival, we observed Principal Marie Hautigan and AP Walton finishing up a conversation with Jose and Emmanuel Alejandro. Once we entered the room, both Principal Hautigan and AP Walton immediately left the conference room. Once we determined that Jose and Emmanuel Alejandro wanted to purse charges against the Assistant Principal [redacted] for battery, we activated our Body Worn Cameras (BWC).

The following is a synopsis of the interview with Jose and Emmanuel Alejandro: Jose started to explain what happened to his younger son, Emmanuel on March 9, 2022. Jose stated Emmanuel was choked by Assistant Principal [redacted]. Jose stated that he has identified witnesses to the incident. Emmanuel then stated after the fight ended AP [redacted] continued to choke him and he couldn't breathe. Emmanuel stated the only way he could be breathe was when he was moving around from his choke hold. Emmanuel stated that the witnesses told AP [redacted] to get off of him. Emmanuel stated his brother, Abraham also told AP [redacted] to get off.

Jose Alejandro stated AP [redacted] shouldn't have physically restrained his son and AP [redacted] doesn't have the authority to do so. I explained that AP [redacted] does have the authority to use reasonable force to protect himself or others from injury, including students. Note: Florida Statute 1003.32 (1) governs that school administrators can intervene under these circumstances. Jose stated because AP [redacted] was physically restraining him, another student involved in the fight was able to strike him on his head causing a concussion and other injuries. Jose stated he wanted to pursue charges against AP [redacted] for battery.

Jose Alejandro wanted to know why we weren't making the arrest on AP [redacted] immediately like we did to his older son. We explained to him there is an investigative process. Jose stated he doesn't wish to pursue charges against the students that fought Emmanuel. Jose also stated he wanted to make a formal complaint against School Campus Monitor Edward Peterson and AP [redacted]. Jose stated he had spoken to Coach Zach Crosno and a parent (Daniel Garcia), who had witnessed the incident, and were willing to provide a formal statement to law enforcement. During the interview, we explained to Jose that during our initial investigation, Coach Zach Crosno and Daniel Garcia didn't provide law enforcement with any information pertaining to Emmanuel while on scene. Jose stated he would contact the witnesses and have them call me at the school.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the interview please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on

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evidence manager.

On March 10, 2022, at approximately 1600 hours, I received a cellphone video from Assistant Principal Matthew Lewis in reference to the fight that occurred on March 9, 2022. Lewis stated he received it from an anonymous student. The cellphone video is one minute and forty-three (1:43) seconds long and was filmed by an unknown student. I subsequently placed the video into evidence manager.

The following is a synopsis of the cellphone video: Two subjects later identified as Jacari Brown and Emmanuel Alejandro began physically fighting in the bus loop parking lot. Both Jacari and Emmanuel go to the ground and continue physically fighting. Jacari was on top of Emmanuel, who were both still physically fighting on the pavement. Monitor Edward Peterson immediately attempts to break up the fight, when another student attempts to strike Emmanuel. Peterson attempts to deflect the student's strike. Peterson continues to attempt to physically remove Jacari from Emmanuel, which causes both students to be dragged on the pavement.

Baseball Coach Zach Crosno was present during the altercation, when Community School Assistant Principal (AP) [redacted] walks past Crosno in attempt to assist Peterson with the physical altercation, who was by himself. Peterson continues to attempt to physically restrain Jacari, while AP [redacted] physically restrains Emmanuel. Crosno attempts to stop other students from interfering with the altercation. AP [redacted] can still be observed with Emmanuel on his back and AP [redacted] was still restraining his arms. Peterson was still trying to control Jacari, who was actively resisting. In the video you can hear a witness later identified as Daniel Garcia (46-year-old adult) yelling at Peterson and AP [redacted] "One on One. Let's go, that's how we used to do it back in the day. Let them go! Let Them go!".

Edward Peterson continues to attempt to calm Jacari down, while other students were still yelling at them. AP [redacted] continued to restrain Emmanuel, who was still on his back. AP [redacted] was still holding Emmanuel's left arm with his right arm and his left arm was behind his back and lower neck area. Peterson stood Jacari up on his feet while other students continued to verbally interfere. AP [redacted] continued to restrain Emmanuel, who was still on his back. At the end of the video, you can Emmanuel say "My brother is here now.". The cellphone video ends.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the cellphone video please refer to the footage, which was placed into evidence manager.

On March 11, 2022, at approximately 1009 hours, I conducted a (BWC) interview with School Campus Monitor Colby Costanzo in reference to the incident that took place on March 9, 2022.

The following is a synopsis of Costanzo's interview: Costanzo stated he was notified by Monitor Peterson of a fight that was occurring in the school bus loop parking lot. Costanzo observed Peterson and AP [redacted]

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attempting to break up the physical altercation. Costanzo stated AP [redacted] had one student later identified as Emmanuel on the ground and Peterson was dealing with another student later identified as Jacari. Costanzo stated he was attempting to control the other students that were still verbally intervening with Peterson and AP [redacted]

Colby Costanzo stated he observed that Emmanuel's brother, Abraham was on scene and was attempting to verbally interact face to face with a student, while the AP [redacted] was restraining his brother on the ground. Costanzo stated he knew Abraham personally and attempted to remove him from the immediate location because he was verbally interacting with students and shouldn't be doing that. Costanzo stated that Peterson was still dealing with Jacari and AP [redacted] was still restraining Emmanuel by holding his arms down. Costanzo stated he heard Emmanuel say to AP [redacted] to "Get the Fuck Off Me." Costanzo advised Emmanuel didn't appear to be in any type of distress, and the statement appeared to be said in the heat of the moment. Costanzo also stated that Emmanuel didn't advise he couldn't breathe when AP [redacted] was on top of him.

Colby Costanzo stated it appeared that Peterson and AP [redacted] had the situation under control. Costanzo didn't see Peterson or AP [redacted] strike or choke either Jacari or Emmanuel during the incident. Costanzo didn't observe Abraham grab or remove AP [redacted] from his brother. Costanzo stated that Abraham made a comment that AP [redacted] was choking his brother and that's why he pulled him off. Costanzo stated neither Coach Crosno nor the parent (Daniel Garcia) ever stated that AP [redacted] was choking Emmanuel or that he couldn't breathe. Costanzo reiterated that he didn't observe AP [redacted] choking Emmanuel or that he had issues breathing. Costanzo stated that Daniel Garcia did say Abraham was just trying to help his brother out because he was going to be jumped by other students. Costanzo stated that Garcia stated he completely agreed that Abraham came on campus to defend his brother.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the Costanzo's interview please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on evidence manager.

On March 11, 2022, at approximately 1026 hours, I conducted a (BWC) interview with Security Campus Manager Anthony Ortiz in reference to the incident that took place on March 9, 2022.

The following is a synopsis of Ortiz's interview: Ortiz stated he was notified by Monitor Peterson of a fight that was occurring in the school bus loop parking lot. Ortiz observed Peterson, who has one student later identified as Jacari pinned to a vehicle, and AP [redacted] had another student later identified as Emmanuel pinned to the ground. Ortiz stated he observed AP [redacted] holding Emmanuel down. Ortiz stated AP [redacted] hands were either on the cement or on Emmanuel's shoulder. Ortiz stated that AP [redacted] wasn't choking Emmanuel and Emmanuel wasn't in any type of distress. Ortiz stated neither Jacari or Emmanuel complained of any distress or wrongdoing by staff members.

Anthony Ortiz stated he was attempting to hold back the other students, who were still trying to get involved.

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Ortiz stated he was conducting crowd control while on scene. Ortiz stated he initially thought Abraham and Emmanuel were the two students that were fighting. Ortiz stated neither Coach Crosno or the parent (Daniel Garcia) never stated that AP [REDACTED] was choking Emmanuel or that he couldn't breathe. Ortiz stated Coach Crosno was completely quiet when he was on scene. Ortiz stated there no were complaints about staff members not doing their job properly and no one asked for rescue to respond to the scene. Ortiz initially thought Garcia was the parent of Emmanuel because of the way he was communicating with him.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the Ortiz's interview please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on evidence manager.

On March 11, 2022, at approximately 1531 hours, I conducted a (BWC) interview with Baseball Coach Zach Crosno in reference to the incident that took place on March 9, 2022.

The following is a synopsis of Crosno's interview: Crosno stated he arrived at the Community School parking lot (bus loop) at approximately 1438 hours. Crosno stated that Security Monitor Peterson immediately approached him with one of his baseball players, Emmanuel. Crosno stated that Emmanuel advised him that some kids were trying to jump him. Crosno heard Peterson explaining to Emmanuel that he shouldn't be out of class. Crosno stated they eventually observed the kids that were trying to jump Emmanuel. Crosno stated that Peterson then called them over to them. Crosno stated the several of the kids started running toward them and one of them started to physically fight with Emmanuel. Crosno stated they squared up and began physically fighting and he remembers Emmanuel grabbing the other student later identified as Jacari and they ended up on the ground. Crosno stated he was just making sure none of the other students ganged up on them while they fighting.

Zach Crosno stated that Peterson immediately attempted to intervene in the physical altercation. Crosno stated that Peterson got on top of Jacari and AP [REDACTED] got on top of Emmanuel. Crosno stated he wasn't familiar with AP [REDACTED]. Crosno stated Peterson was on top of him and was trying to calm down Jacari. Crosno stated Jacari was face down during this time. Crosno stated he doesn't remember how Emmanuel was initially positioned but does remember that he was eventually positioned on his stomach. Again, Crosno reiterated he doesn't remember how Emmanuel gets from his back to his stomach. He stated that another parent later identified as Daniel Garcia may have seen it because he was closer. Crosno stated he heard Garcia tell AP [REDACTED] to get off the kid you may be hurting him.

Zach Crosno stated he observed AP [REDACTED] on top of Emmanuel, who was laying on his stomach, and became concerned that AP [REDACTED] had his arm or his hand wrapped around him in some way that was concerning. Crosno stated that's when Emmanuel's brother, Abraham, grabbed AP [REDACTED]'s shirt and tried pulling him off. Crosno stated Abraham heard Garcia saying he thinks he was being choked. Crosno stated he didn't see Abraham arrive on scene he only observed him trying to grab AP [REDACTED] off. Crosno stated he didn't see AP [REDACTED] choking Emmanuel, just his arms around him. He stated he didn't hear Emmanuel complain of being in any type of distress.

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Zach Crosno stated he did tell AP [REDACTED] to get off of Emmanuel, but he didn't comply. Crosno stated he didn't need to call 911 for the incident and he didn't see Emmanuel's face turn colors from being in distress. Crosno was unable to determine how long Emmanuel was on his stomach. Crosno stated he didn't advise law enforcement or administration of any wrong doing of AP [REDACTED] while we were investigated in the incident. Crosno stated that Emmanuel's father, Jose reached out to him to see what he saw. Crosno stated that Emmanuel and his father showed up for practice the same night and that he was able to complete practice without any physical complaints or injuries from the physical altercation. Crosno stated Jose asked him what he observed during the incident. Crosno stated he believed that AP [REDACTED] wasn't trying to purposely hurt Emmanuel but was just trying to break up the fight.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the Crosno's interview please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on evidence manager.

On March 14, 2022, at approximately 0916 hours, I attempted to obtain a follow up BWC statement from Emmanuel Alejandro in my office. Emmanuel stated he had to call his mother. After speaking with his mother, he advised his parents would be at the school in a few minutes. I asked him to wait out in the waiting area in the administration building until his parents arrived.

On the same date, at approximately 0921 hours, Emmanuel's parents arrived at the school. I informed them I would like to take a BWC statement and they could be present. They stated they didn't wish for me to take a statement from their son. They wanted Sergeant Eric Fernandez to take the statement because of trust issues. I explained that Sergeant Eric Fernandez was off that day. I also advised them that I received a video of the incident, which was in evidence. The father, Jose, demanded that I give him a copy of the video immediately. I explained to him that there was a process for obtaining videos. Jose was causing a verbal commotion in the administration office, so much that Principal Marie Hautigan had to leave her meeting in the conference room and address it. Jose was using his cellphone to record me, while he was demanding that I tell him why I arrested his older son, Abraham. I explained that I would not discuss this matter anymore. Jose and his wife were visibly upset at the situation and eventually left the campus. As Jose was leaving the campus, he advised me that he would be suing me.

Note: For the full events that occurred during please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on evidence manager.

On March 14, 2022, at approximately 1000 hours, Campus Monitor Edward Peterson provided me with a written statement of the incident that occurred on March 9, 2022. I subsequently place the written statement into evidence manager.

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Investigator: JOLICOEUR, J. M. (3694)

Date / Time: 03/16/2022 14:35:54, Wednesday

Supervisor: FERNANDEZ, E. (3677)

Supervisor Review Date / Time: 03/24/2022 11:18:15, Thursday

Contact:

Reference: Follow Up

On March 14, 2022, at approximately 1423 hours, I conducted a (BWC) interview with Daniel Garcia in reference to the incident that took place on March 9, 2022.

The following is a synopsis of Garcia's interview: Garcia stated on the days his son has baseball practice he comes and brings him his equipment. Garcia stated that he arrives at approximately 1430 hours at the bus loop parking lot. Garcia stated that on that day, a school monitor stopped him and confirmed who he was. Garcia stated that out of the corner of his eye he sees a kid, later identified as Emmanuel, who was turning circles in one spot, he looked anxious, scared and worried. Garcia stated he knew the kid from playing baseball with his son. Garcia stated he observed other kids down the road but he didn't know what's going on. Garcia stated he parked his truck when he observed the coach, security monitor and the kids coming toward him. Garcia stated that Monitor Peterson and Emmanuel are arguing about why he isn't in class.

Daniel Garcia stated Peterson then called the other kids over to them, who were standing by Coach Zach Crosno's truck. Garcia stated that Peterson puts Emmanuel behind him while the other kids came over. Garcia stated the other kids came running over and bypassed Peterson, at which time Emmanuel and another student later identified as Jacari hugged and they fell to the ground. Garcia stated Jacari hit the ground first and then they rolled over. Garcia stated that Emmanuel's belongings fell out of his pockets. Garcia stated that's when two or three other kids try to get some action. Garcia stated he tells them to stand up, "One on One. Let's go, that's how we used to do it back in the day. Garcia stated "Let them go! Let Them go!". Garcia stated that the kids should fight it out, shake hands and walk on their way.

Daniel Garcia stated that's when Peterson jumps on Jacari. Garcia stated AP [redacted] immediately jumps on Emmanuel and puts him in a rear naked chokehold. Garcia stated Emmanuel then started turning colors and he approaches AP [redacted] and tells him to let him go. Garcia reiterated that Peterson was by himself and [redacted] jumped out of nowhere to assist Peterson. Garcia stated Emmanuel was on his side when AP [redacted] jumped on him and puts him in a rear naked chokehold. He stated AP [redacted] then ended up on Emmanuel's back during the incident. Garcia reiterated that Emmanuel started turning colors and he approached AP [redacted] and told him to let him go. Garcia stated Peterson let Jacari go while AP [redacted] was still on top of Emmanuel.

Daniel Garcia stated that's when Emmanuel's brother, Abraham, showed up on scene and came running over to his brother. Garcia stated that Abraham doesn't realize Emmanuel was being choked out by AP [redacted] Garcia stated when Abraham realized Emmanuel was being choked out, him and Abraham tell AP [redacted] to let him go. Garcia stated that Abraham then left his brother and continued to confront other students, who were still on scene. Garcia stated Abraham then came back again and asked AP [redacted] to let go of his brother. Garcia stated that's when Abraham tried to grab AP [redacted] off of his brother. Garcia stated this caused AP [redacted] to a position on his back and AP [redacted] was still giving a rear naked choke hold to Emmanuel.

Daniel Garcia stated he believes AP [redacted] was trying to protect Emmanuel. Garcia also believed that Peterson had no clue when he called the other kids to come to him they were going to fight. Garcia stated AP

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[redacted] advised to Abraham and Emmanuel that he was an assistant principal, at which time Abraham stated "I don't give a fuck who you are!". Garcia stated he told AP [redacted] that he was choking Emmanuel and that his eyes were bloodshot and in another world. Garcia stated Emmanuel's face was turning purple, blue, red and he was losing oxygen. Garcia stated while on scene he didn't tell law enforcement or security that Emmanuel was being choked out by AP [redacted]

Note: For the full events that occurred during the Garcia's interview please refer to the BWC footage, which is stored on evidence manager.

On March 16, 2022, at approximately 0830 hours, I received another cellphone video from Assistant Principal Matthew Lewis in reference to the fight that occurred on March 9, 2022. Lewis stated he received it from an anonymous student. The cellphone video is one minute and seven (1:07) seconds long and was filmed by an unknown student. I subsequently placed the video into evidence manager.

The following is a synopsis of the cellphone video: When the cellphone video starts, it shows, Monitor Peterson on the ground with a student later identified as Jacari and AP [redacted] was holding Emmanuel's left arm with his right arm and his left arm was behind his back and lower neck area. Emmanuel was positioned on his back. You see Coach Zach Crosno and Daniel Garcia walking around watching the incident. Peterson asked Jacari if he was ok and subsequently lets him stand up. Emmanuel is on his back with AP [redacted] still on top, with his left arm under his back and his right hand pointing to Emmanuel's belongings on the ground. Emmanuel was looking, pointing and talking about his air pods and other stuff on the ground.

Other students involved were still on scene, at which time Emmanuel was trying to get up while AP [redacted] still tries to control him. Emmanuel yells at another student "You ran from me!". AP [redacted] still has the same hand placement on Emmanuel. AP [redacted] tries to calm Emmanuel down. Garcia bends down and tells AP [redacted] to let Emmanuel up. Emmanuel's brother, Abraham arrives and walked up to AP [redacted] and his brother and asks "Who was it?". Abraham then hands the coach his cellphone and starts confronting other students saying to them "You ran away from me!". Abraham then gets into a fighting stance and waved students to come fight him. Abraham again continues to walk around and get into a fighting stance, waving students to come fight him. Campus Manager Anthony Ortiz assists with controlling students and Monitor Colby Costanzo helps redirect Abraham. The cellphone video ends.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the cellphone video please refer to the footage, which was placed into evidence manager.

On March 16, 2022, at approximately 1220 hours, I received another cellphone video from Assistant Principal Matthew Lewis in reference to the fight that occurred on March 9, 2022. Lewis stated he received it from an anonymous student. The cellphone video is twenty-four (0:24) seconds long and was filmed by an unknown

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student. I subsequently placed the video into evidence manager.

The following is a synopsis of the cellphone video: The cellphone video started off showing the school buses in the bus loop, along with Campus Manager Ortiz walking with Emmanuel, who had his shirt off. Monitor Costanzo was with Abraham, who had his right arm around Costanzo. Costanzo had his left arm around Abraham. Peterson, Monitor Simpson and Daniel Garcia were standing with Costanzo and Abraham in front of Abraham's vehicle. Officers Taylor and I along with additional security also arrived on scene. Coach Crosno was standing with Emmanuel and he was holding his personal belongings. Also, AP [redacted] was walking around also.

Note: For the full events that occurred during the cellphone video please refer to the footage, which was placed into evidence manager. The cellphone video ends.

This investigation is complete. No further involvement or investigation is needed at this time.

Under penalties of perjury I declare that I have read the foregoing and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Electronically signed by: 3694 Jolicoeur, Jason

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Supervisor: MORLOCK, R. A. (3690) Supervisor Review Date / Time: 03/21/2022 19:10:16, Monday
Contact: Reference: Follow Up

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8000 NW 44th ST Sunrise, FL
In Custody: Alejandro, Abraham (W/M DOB: 12/07/1944)
Supplement

On 03/12/2022, Officer Jolicoeur, Jason (#3694) arrested the above named subject in reference to a battery on a school official. I was assigned this case for case filling purposes.

I conducted a complete review of this investigation and determined that follow up interviews needed to be conducted. Contact was made with Officer Jolicoeur who advised he was conducting follow ups with the involved parties. All interviews done via body worn camera, written statements, and pictures of any injuries will be added to evidence.com to compile this case filling packet.

This case is CLEARED BY ARREST and was sent to the State Attorney's Office for Final Review and Disposition.

Under penalties of perjury I declare that I have read the foregoing and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Electronically signed by: (3770) Mata, Amanda Date: 03/20/2020 1208 hours

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I. INTRODUCTION:

Subject Employee: Officers Jolicoeur, Taylor, Breed, Jantzen, Kroger, and Baffuto

Complainant: Jose Alejandro

Witnesses: Sergeant Eric Fernandez

Narrative:

On March 9th, 2022, Officers Jolicoeur, Taylor, Breed, Jantzen, Kroger, and Baffuto respond to the west parking lot of Piper Highschool in reference to a fight. Once there, they made contact with brothers Abraham and Emmanuel Alejandro. According to Emmanuel, a group of students tried to fight him, so he approached school security and called his adult brother, Abraham.

The group of kids physically engaged Emmanuel at which time Assistant Principal [REDACTED] and campus security Peterson intervened. During this time Emmanuel's brother arrived at the school. The fight concluded with the group of boys running away and [REDACTED] being forcefully removed from on top of Emmanuel, by Abraham.

Our officers arrived shortly after and conducted an investigation. At the conclusion, Abraham was placed under arrest for battery on a school official. The following day the father of Abraham and Emmanuel, Jose Alejandro, met with Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor. Jose told officers he wanted to press charges against [REDACTED] for choking Emmanuel while restraining him.

Dissatisfied with Officer Jolicoeur's investigation, as well as many other complaints, Jose filed a formal complaint on 4/29/22.

The Investigative Narrative section outlines the details of my investigation into this matter and my conclusion with respect to any policy violations will be found in the Investigative Findings and Disposition section.



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II. INVESTIGATIVE NARRATIVE:

On 4/29/22 Mr. Jose Alejandro emailed records employee, Annette Gonzalez, a typed complaint against the listed six officers.

On 5/2/22 I called Jose and told him that I had received his complaint and that I would be in touch.

On 5/3/22 6 PCRs were prepared and sent to Chief Rosa.

On 5/9/22 Chief Rosa authorized an investigation into the complaint.

I contacted Jose and advised him that the investigation had been authorized. We set a meeting date and time of 5/17/22 at 10:30am.

On 5/4/22, I was contacted by SIU Detective Ken Cowley at which time he briefed me on his case specific to [REDACTED].

On 5/17/22, I met with Jose Alejandro and took a taped sworn statement from him. From the start, Jose recorded me with his phone, with my permission. I gave him the guidelines of when he can record me. Jose refused to sign the Civil Suit Form. Throughout the entire encounter, Jose was confrontational, argumentative and it was very hard to effectively communicate with him.

During our meeting, I confirmed that Jose intentionally did not bring either son with him so I could interview them and that everything we discussed would be considered hearsay since Jose did not witness it. I then asked Jose to relay what Emanuel told him. Jose stated his son is a varsity baseball player and had gym class for his last hour and is allowed to leave 5 minutes before the bell. Emmanuel called Jose and asked him to bring his practice gear. Jose was too far away and suggested that Emanuel call his brother, Abraham. According to Jose, Abraham is a volunteer assistant baseball coach for Piper HS.

While on the phone with Abraham, Emanuel said 6 kids yelled racial slurs and walked towards him. Emanuel walked to campus security and requested help. Emanuel did not think campus security was helping him so he ran to his head coach, who had just pulled into the parking lot.

The 6 kids ran after Emanuel and one of them swung his fist at Emanuel's face. The boys went to the ground. The campus security grabbed the other kid and pinned him to the ground. [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] (school asst. principal) laid on top of Emanuel, pinning him to the ground. Jose said that [REDACTED] never identified himself.

Jose said that [REDACTED] used his entire body to lay on Emanuel, including his stomach, which made it hard for him to breathe. Jose said his son was asking for help and that immediately upon [REDACTED] laying on him, he was choked. [REDACTED] also hit Emanuel. I then specifically asked what Emanuel told him and he said Emanuel was choked immediately and that the entire time [REDACTED] was on top of him, he was saying, "You are hurting me, I can't breathe". Emanuel told him that his breathing was restricted 75% of the time. Emanuel thought he was losing consciousness at one point as well.

As I continued asking questions, Jose said that I was "tricking" him in some of the questions I had. The conversation then turned argumentative and he did not feel as if asking details about his son allegedly being choked, were relevant. He then refused to answer any more questions related to his son, specifically.

I then asked if Emanuel knew [REDACTED] prior to this incident, he said no. When asked if he thought [REDACTED] was trying to hurt Emanuel, Jose said that [REDACTED] has mental issues and that he doesn't know him and could not say.

Jose said that his son did seek medical attention for the injuries he received on his back and a "concussion". Jose did confirm after his diagnosis; his son went to baseball practice that night and played. Jose told me I was being tricky again.

I then tried to narrow down Jose's complaint. I asked about being denied legal representation and Jose said he was denied the campus security officer and [REDACTED] name and he (Jolicoeur) lied on the supplement. Jose was denied legal representation when "I (Jose) asked him to apply the law, to use the law and they said no".

Below I will list his complaints:

- Officers did not conduct a thorough investigation and did not interview his son.
- Officers didn't arrest [REDACTED].
- Officer Jolicoeur did not conduct a complete investigation, concerning his son Abraham's arrested but the report says the investigation was complete.
- Violated his rights-his rights as a citizen to receive help from law enforcement.
- When Jose was at the school on 3/10, he asked Jolicoeur to press charges against [REDACTED].
- Officers did not provide rescue to Emanuel.
- Jose said officers were "Bias under the color of law" because "You use your power and authority to do whatever you want, Just like [REDACTED]".

-Officers were protecting school employees.

-Officer Jolicouer lied on his report, page 3, beginning paragraph, the sentence that includes...5-10 seconds...is a lie.

At the end of our interview Jose said that our department completely failed.

On **5/17/22**, at the conclusion of my meeting with Jose, I met with Sergeant Fernandez, Lieutenants Bates and Katz, and it was decided the best course of action would be to have a detective review the case and file it with the SAO. Jose and Detective Cowley were notified of this as well.

On **6/20/22**, I took a sworn taped statement from **Sergeant Eric Fernandez**. He is the current supervisor of all the SROs. I asked Sergeant Fernandez if it is customary to always write a battery report when kids fight. He said no, the school will typically handle unless administration or the parents request the police to be involved. If a parent did not want to press charges that would also weigh into the decision to write a report. He also said there are different behavioral programs that are run through the school board that kids can be placed in and do not require a police report.

I then asked Sergeant Fernandez if he approved Officer Jolicouer's police report and he said yes. He thought that Officer Jolicouer did a thorough investigation and had PC for the arrest of Abraham. I asked if he had an expectation for Officer Jolicouer to have written a separate report for the battery on Emmanuel by the students and he said no. Sergeant Fernandez confirmed that school employees are authorized by state statute to physically intervene when students are fighting, if necessary.

On **8/9/22** I brought **Sergeant Fernandez** back in to take an additional sworn statement from him. During Officer Jolicouer's statement, he said that he never filed the case with the SAO bc Sergeant Fernandez told him that SIU would be investigating [REDACTED]. Sergeant Fernandez confirmed this, and said if they were going to file with the state it would have been after SIU completed their investigation. Since a school official could have been a suspect, Sergeant Fernandez felt it was important for SIU to be involved.

On or around **7/2/22** I sent out all the 6, 5-day notices.

On **7/18/22**, I took a taped sworn statement from **Officer Breed**. He said that while in his car during Piper HS release, a call came over the radio that there was a fight near the baseball field. He responded and saw everyone standing near one student. He did not witness anyone fighting. Officer Breed said that he did not see anyone with an injury and never heard anyone ask for rescue. He never heard anyone say they had been choked.

Officer Breed was asked to stand with Abraham while the other officers conducted an investigation. He said while standing there, Abraham told him that his brother called him bc he was going to get jumped and when Abraham arrived, he pulled some guy off of him. Officer Breed assumed he was talking about another student and was surprised when Abraham was arrested for battery on a school employee. He went on to state he was even more surprised since most fights are handled internally with suspensions etc.

Officer Breed thought Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor appeared to be doing a complete investigation. Officer Breed confirmed that as an SRO it is common for the school to handle fights and that officers typically do not write reports unless requested.

On 7/18/22, I took a taped sworn statement from **Officer Baffuto**. He said that he responded to a fight but upon his arrival the fight had “neutralized”. He never saw anyone fighting. Officer Baffuto said he noticed Emmanuel had superficial scratches on his back and offered him rescue but Emmanuel ignored him or didn’t respond. In Officer Baffuto’s opinion he did not feel as if Emmanuel needed rescue. Officer Baffuto said that no one mentioned being choked and that Emmanuel told him he had been held down on the ground.

Officer Baffuto said it appeared as if Officers Jolicoeur was being thorough in their investigation. He also confirmed that he does not typically write battery reports for fights in school.

On 7/18/22 I took a sworn taped statement from **Officer Jantzen**. He said that he responded to the scene for a fight but things had settled down upon his arrival. Officer Jantzen said that he never saw anyone with an injury and no one asked him for rescue. He never heard anyone say they had been choked.

Once Abraham was placed under arrest, Officer Jantzen followed Officer Kroger over to the front of the school. Once there Abraham’s father, Jose, approached them at the car and demanded to see his son. Officers told them that he could not see him. Jose asked for their name and badge numbers, which they gave him.

Officer Jantzen said it appeared as if Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor were doing a complete investigation. He also confirmed that SROs typically do not write battery reports for fights.

On 7/18/22 I took a sworn taped statement from **Officer Kroger**. He said that he responded to Piper HS as a back-up officer for a fight. Upon arrival, Officer Kroger said things were calm and no one was fighting. Officer Kroger said that he did not see anyone injured nor did anyone ask him for rescue. He said no one told him they had been choked.

Officer Kroger said he did transport Abraham to the front of the school at which time he took him inside to meet with Officer Jolicoeur. He did say that Abraham’s father met them at the front of the school and was irate. That was the end of his involvement. Officer Kroger confirmed that he does not typically write police reports for kids fighting in school.

On 7/20/22 I took a sworn taped statement from **Officer Jolicoeur**. He said that a fight came over the school radio so he and Officer Taylor went to the bus loop where it was at. Upon arriving there, he said there was yelling and confusion. Officer Jolicoeur said there were two males that were separated and he assumed they had been fighting with one another. Later he found out they were brothers, Abraham and Emmanuel. He did notice scratches on Emmanuel’s back but assumed they were from the fight and being on the ground. Officer Jolicoeur did not call rescue nor did Emmanuel request rescue. It was in Officer Jolicoeur’s opinion that it was an injury that could be managed at home.

Emmanuel never claimed any injury nor did he ever tell Officer Jolicoeur that he had been choked. There was no visible injury to Emmanuel's neck. Office Jolicoeur never spoke with Daniel Garcia the day of the incident and said that he (Daniel) left the area without talking to him.

When asked why he didn't interview any witness the day of the incident specific to the arrest of Abraham, he said that the crowd had cleared and there didn't appear to be any witnesses to interview.

When asked about his report specific to page 4, the sentence talking about "5 to 10 seconds", Officer Jolicoeur has since realized that he misunderstood [REDACTED] statement and documented it incorrectly. He thought [REDACTED] said he was on top of Emmanuel for 5 to 10 seconds but after reviewing the footage and his written statement, [REDACTED] said the boys (Emmanuel and student) fought for 5 to 10 seconds. Office Jolicoeur did not intentionally lie on a police report.

I then asked about 3/14/22 when Jose came to the school and requested a video. Officer Jolicoeur said Jose wanted the cell phone videos taken by students of the fight. Officer Jolicoeur said he was truthful when he told him how to obtain a copy of the video.

When asked why he didn't interview Emmanuel the day of the incident (concerning Abraham's arrest) he said that Emmanuel was "at the top" and "hard to talk to". I asked if he meant emotional and he said yes. Officer Jolicoeur said as he neared the end of his investigation, he was not even sure where Emmanuel had gone. He intended to interview him the next day at school.

When Officer Jolicoeur called Emmanuel down to the office on 3/10/22, Emmanuel said his parents were almost at the school. Upon them getting there, they then went and spoke with administration. At the conclusion, Jose and Emmanuel met with Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor. During that interview Jose told the officers that his son Emmanuel was choked by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and that he would like to press charges. Officer Jolicoeur said he did not take a formal statement from Emmanuel at that time bc he wanted to interview the witnesses Jose identified first. He said that he immediately started an investigation that included numerous interviews.

On 3/14/22 Officer Jolicoeur pulled Emmanuel from class to interview him. Emmanuel told him that his parents were almost at the school. Officer Jolicoeur said that the parents did not allow him to take a statement from Emmanuel and did not want him to talk to Emmanuel at all. Officer Jolicoeur said he reached out to his supervisor and that is when it was decided that SIU would handle the case. He then completed his report without Emmanuel's statement and turned it in. Officer Jolicoeur said he did not feel as if he had PC for [REDACTED] arrest at that point.

Officer Jolicoeur said he did tell Jose he would file charges with the state and that was his "game plan" when they spoke on 3/10/22. He said as the investigation progressed, he did not feel as if he had PC (so he did not file) plus Sergeant Fernandez told him they would give SIU the case to investigate.

When asked why he did not provide [REDACTED] name to Jose, he said bc of the Marsy's Law protection of victims.

Office Jolicoeur confirmed that he felt as if he completed an as thorough investigation as possible and that he was not trying to protect [REDACTED] in any way.

Officer Jolicoeur said that he had never met [REDACTED], Jose or his sons prior to 3/9/22.

To be noted, in the interview myself and Officer Jolicoeur thought he made a mistake in the narrative of his report. He wrote [REDACTED] said he was only on top of Emmanuel for 5-10 seconds. We thought it should have read the boys (students) fought for 5-10 seconds. When we rechecked the written statement, it actually said both, the boys fought for 5-10 seconds and [REDACTED] was on top of Emmanuel for 5-10 seconds. The report is correct.

On 8/3/22 I took a sworn taped statement from **Officer Adlai Taylor**. He said they were dispatched to a fight on the west side of the school, he was Officer Jolicoeur's back up. When Officer Taylor arrived, there was no one was fighting but there were two Hispanic males that he assumed had been fighting each other.

Officer Taylor said that Emmanuel had some scratches on his back but never requested rescue and he did not think he needed rescue. Emmanuel never told him that he had been choked.

Officer Taylor said he did not realize that Daniel Garcia was on scene at the fight. He only became aware of him when Jose told them that he was a witness. In fact, Officer Taylor said "Nobody approached us...about anything". Officer Taylor said he was only a back-up and never made any investigative decisions nor did he write a report.

Officer Taylor never heard Officer Jolicoeur lie or be dishonest to Jose. Officer Taylor said that he never met Jose, his kids or [REDACTED] prior to this day and that was no one was trying to protect [REDACTED] bc he was a schoolboard employee. Officer Taylor said Jose was not told [REDACTED] name bc of Marsy's Law.

Office Taylor confirmed that they do not always write police reports when a battery occurs. They usually only do if the school or parents request it.



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III. INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS and DISPOSITION:

If Jose Alejandro's allegations are true, Officers Jolicoeur, Taylor, Breed, Jantzen, Kroger, and Baffuto would have violated the following policies:

Competence:

19.6.2.1. All members will maintain sufficient competency to perform the duty and responsibility of their position.

19.6.2.1.1. They will perform duties in a manner that establishes and maintains the highest standards of efficiency and effectiveness while carrying out the functions, goals, and objectives of the Police Department.

Rendering Assistance and Duty Conduct:

19.6.3.4. In serving the public, members will be attentive and take suitable action in all situations where some official action would reasonably be believed appropriate, to include reports, complaints, inquiries, and other requests for service.

Integrity:

19.6.4.1. Members will not use their official positions to secure privileges for themselves or others.

19.6.4.2.1. Members will not make false statements in verbal or written reports, police documents, or any communications in official matters.

19.6.4.1.2. Written and verbal reports, documents, and communications, will be truthful and complete.

IV: CONCLUSION

On 3/9/22, Emmanuel Alejandro was walking in the west parking lot of Piper High School. He noticed a group of students he had a prior issue with, start to walk his way. According to Jose, the

boys were yelling racial slurs and other vulgarities. With a potential physical altercation pending, Emmanuel stood with security campus monitor, Edward Peterson, and called (on the phone) his 27-year-old brother, Abraham. Mr. Peterson called for back-up on his radio. [REDACTED], who is a Community School Assistant Principal, just happen to be walking in the area as the situation unfolded.

Subsequently, Emmanuel and one of the boys physically engaged each other, and almost immediately went to the ground. Mr. Peterson and [REDACTED] went to the ground as well, in an attempt to separate them. After approximately a minute (based on the video) Mr. Peterson stood with the one boy and "pinned" him against a vehicle with his body, until he calmed down. According to Mr. Peterson's statement, he eventually passed the boy off to another security monitor.

[REDACTED] remained on top of Emmanuel (on the ground) in an attempt to prevent him from fighting. Emmanuel struggled at times, trying to get up, but at no time did he strike [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] appeared to use care while restraining Emmanuel and never struck him, other than a tap on the arm to get his attention.

There are three cell phone videos that were taken by students that captured a large portion of the encounter. On the videos, the boys engage each, as they are separated by Mr. Peterson and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]. The longest video is 1:43 seconds.

One of the videos showed Abraham arriving on scene. He approached Emmanuel and saw his brother on the ground with [REDACTED] on top of him (Mr. Peterson was already standing). Emmanuel was lying face up, but then turned chest down, with [REDACTED] on his back. Instead of tending to his brother, Abraham trotted around challenging someone to fight him. Mr. Peterson said that Abraham even became aggressive towards him at one point.

Moments later, the video ends. It is around this time Abraham approached [REDACTED] and his brother. [REDACTED] said he was chest to chest with Emmanuel when Abraham placed his hands around his neck and began to pull back. [REDACTED] said he identified himself and Abraham responded, "I don't give a fuck, that's my brother". Abraham pulled [REDACTED] off of his brother by his neck.

To be noted, it appears as if the majority of the encounter is captured on cell phone video. However, the battery committed by Abraham is not. Also, at no time on the video is Emmanuel seen being choked, nor can anyone be heard saying they could not breathe or that Emmanuel was being choked.

Shortly after, Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor arrive on scene.

Officer Jolicoeur conducted an investigation into the battery on a school official and determined he had probable cause for the arrest of Abraham. No one approached Officers Jolicoeur or Taylor to provide information related to the incident. Abraham is placed under arrest and transported to the main building of the school (by Officer Kroger) before going to jail. Officers Kroger and Jantzen are confronted by Jose, before walking Abraham into the school, but they responded to and handled the confrontation professionally.

On 3/10/22, Jose and Emmanuel went to the school to speak with the Administration. Once done, they sat down with Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor to discuss Emmanuel being choked by [REDACTED]. The encounter was captured on BWC. Although Emmanuel was there, Jose did most of the talking. He said he did not want to press charges against the boys who fought his son and he did not request a police report. Instead, Jose told Officers Jolicoeur and Taylor that Emmanuel had been choked the entire time [REDACTED] was on top of him. Jose demanded that [REDACTED] be arrested immediately. He also provided two additional witness names who allegedly saw Emmanuel being choked. At the end of the meeting, Officer Jolicoeur told Jose he would file charges with the SAO at the conclusion of his investigation.

On 3/11/22 Officer Jolicoeur interviewed:

School Campus Monitor Colby Costanzo
Security Campus Manager Anthony Ortiz
Head Baseball Coach Zach Crosno

During their interviews, they all said they did not witness Emmanuel being choked. Coach Crosno did say he had some concerns with how [REDACTED] was restraining Emmanuel but he did not see Emmanuel being choked.

On 3/14/22, Officer Jolicoeur called Emmanuel to the office so that he could take his statement. When Emmanuel reached the office, he said his parents were almost at the school and that he wanted to wait for them. Upon contact, Jose was confrontational and loud, while demanding the cell phone footage of the fight. He did not allow Officer Jolicoeur to take Emmanuel's statement.

On 3/14/22, Officer Jolicoeur interviewed Daniel Garcia (parent who witnessed the fight). Daniel Garcia said in his taped statement that as soon as [REDACTED] grabbed Emmanuel, he immediately put him in a "rear naked choke". Daniel said it was so intense that his face was "turning colors". Daniel said he told [REDACTED] that he was choking him, but [REDACTED] refused to let go.

Upon reviewing almost two minutes of cell phone footage, Daniel can be heard in the background saying, "Let him, up, let him fight, one on one". Daniel was encouraging [REDACTED] and Mr. Peterson to let the boys fight one on one. Not once did Daniel say "you are choking him", nor did he ever try to get [REDACTED] off Emmanuel. It is clear his recollection of the incident is grossly different than what occurred.

On or around 3/14/22, Sergeant Fernandez told Officer Jolicoeur to conclude his investigation since Jose requested a different investigator. He also told him the case would be given to the Special Investigative Unit (SIU), which is the school board police. Officer Jolicoeur said he did not have PC at that time and concluded his report.

On April 14th, 2022, SIU Detective Kenneth Cowley Jr. was assigned this case for investigation.

On May 17th, 2022, I met with Jose and took a taped statement. At the conclusion, I met with Chief Rosa, Lieutenant Katz and Sergeant Fernandez. It was decided that the case would be reviewed by Detective Milien and he would file the case with the SAO for their review. Jose refused to allow Emmanuel to be interviewed. Since being filed, the SAO declined charges.

On July 6th, 2022, SIU's case was closed as "allegations cannot be substantiated". [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was provided with a closeout letter from SIU Police Chief Craig Kowalski.

In Summary:

In his complaint, Jose listed three policy titles with specific policies cited for each. They are listed at the beginning of this document. In an attempt to simplify, I compiled a more specific list of complaints against the six officers. I used Jose's complaint as well as the numerous emails and conversations we had to create the list. To be noted, his complaint included all the SROs present that day, but his chief complaint is with Officer Jolicoeur.

Below you will find Jose's complaints. I will go one by one, addressing each.

Officers did not conduct a thorough investigation into the arrest of Abraham or [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]. Officer Jolicoeur did not have probable cause to arrest Abraham.

I find that Officer Jolicoeur conducted a thorough investigation on 3/9/22 into the arrest of Abraham. He had the victim's statement, injury, desire to press charges as well as an admission from the suspect (Abraham).

Additionally:

- Abraham is an adult on school campus with the intent to commit a crime (battery) against a juvenile, with no lawful reason to be on campus.
- [REDACTED] is lawfully on campus with a duty to protect students.
- [REDACTED] identified himself as a school employee to Abraham.
- Abraham tried to engage Mr. Peterson physically, before battering [REDACTED].
- Abraham approached his brother with [REDACTED] on his back, but did not immediately try to assist him (implying he was not in distress). Instead, he turned away, looking for someone to fight.
- Abraham's justification for battering [REDACTED] was not supported. Emmanuel did not report being choked and no one else on scene spoke up as a witness.
- There were no witnesses left on scene to interview.

Concerning the investigation into [REDACTED]: other than Abraham, there is no mention of Emmanuel being choked on 3/9/22. The alleged victim himself, Emmanuel, did not report it to anyone, nor did he stay on scene so that he could be questioned. In my opinion, there is no expectation that Officer Jolicoeur should have conducted a criminal investigation into [REDACTED] on 3/9/22.

Once Officer Jolicoeur was notified of the allegation against [REDACTED] on 3/10/22, he immediately started an investigation into the matter. Based on his report, BWC, and interviews, I feel that Officer Jolicoeur was thorough and complete in his investigation.

Specifically, of the six interviews conducted by Officer Jolicoeur, only one person claimed to have witnessed Emmanuel being choked and that was, Daniel Garcia. However, the video of the fight and Daniel's recollection, are very contradictory.

According to Daniel's statement, he yelled at [REDACTED] numerous times that he was choking Emmanuel, but he did not stop. Daniel also claimed the choking was so severe that Emmanuel was turning different colors and "his eyes were bloodshot and in another world". However, Daniel never tried to physically intervene. Daniel is only heard on the video yelling to [REDACTED] to let the boys up so they can fight one-on-one. He was never heard saying to stop choking Emmanuel. Daniel also never told any of the Officers he witnessed this until Jose asked him to contact the police the following day.

Jose never allowed his son Emmanuel to provide a victim's statement.

Days after the fight, school administration was able to obtain three cell videos showing different angles of the fight. They were given to Officer Jolicoeur for review and ultimately placed into evidence. Although we do not know the true length of the encounter, it appears as if the cell phone videos documented a large portion of the event. At no time does the video depict Emmanuel being choked, nor can you hear anyone say anything to suggest Emmanuel was being choked. In fact, Emmanuel appeared to not be in any type of distress at all.

There is no probable cause at the conclusion of Officer Jolicoeur's investigation.

Officers did not interview his son, Emmanuel, concerning the arrest of Abraham or in the case against [REDACTED].

When Officer Jolicoeur was asked during his interview, he said that Emmanuel was not in the area around the time Abraham was arrested. In addition, he said Emmanuel was emotional and hard to talk with. Officer Jolicoeur did not need Emmanuel's statement to develop probable cause to arrest Abraham.

Concerning [REDACTED] case, Officer Jolicoeur attempted to interview Emmanuel but Jose did not allow it. During the Internal Affairs investigation, as well as Detective Milien's case review, Jose did not allow us to interview Emmanuel either.

Officers did not provide rescue to Emmanuel on 3/9/22.

Officer Jolicoeur saw the injury to Emmanuel's back but not think rescue was necessary and Emmanuel never asked him for rescue.

Officer Taylor saw the injury but did not think Emmanuel needed rescue. Emmanuel never asked for him rescue.

Officer Baffuto saw the injury and asked if Emmanuel wanted rescue but he did not respond. Officer Baffuto did not think the injury was serious enough to call rescue. Emmanuel never asked him for rescue.

Officers Janzten, Kroger, and Breed did not see an injury and no one asked them for rescue.

Based on BWC footage, the injury to Emmanuel's back appeared minor and was not bleeding profusely. He was moving around with ease and his movement did not seem restricted due to an injury. It is my opinion that officers did not violate policy by not providing rescue for medical attention. In addition, and as stated prior, Emmanuel did not request rescue.

Officers were protecting school employees since they arrested Abraham and did not provide [REDACTED] name when asked.

As stated above, Officer Jolicoeur developed probable cause based on the facts presented to him on 3/9/22. Officer Jolicoeur did have probable cause. Concerning [REDACTED], his name was not provided due to Marsy's Law. He was listed as a victim in the report and it is our obligation as a Police Department to not release it.

Officer Jolicoeur lied on the police report, page 3, where it says [REDACTED] was on Emmanuel for 5-10 seconds.

The phrase "5-10 seconds" was a direct excerpt from [REDACTED] written statement. Officer Jolicoeur was paraphrasing [REDACTED] statement in the report. This was not Officer Jolicoeur's personal estimation. Officer Jolicoeur did not lie in his police report.

On page 5 of the police report, Officer Jolicoeur wrote "This report is complete". Jose alleged that was a lie since he had not finished interviewing all the witnesses.

Officer Jolicoeur wrote the first portion of the report, pages 1-5, specific to the events that occurred on 3/9/22. It was not until the following day that Jose told him about the additional witnesses. In addition, those witnesses were in reference to the case against [REDACTED], not into the arrest of Abraham. Officer Jolicoeur was correct to say the report was complete, as the event was concluded.

Officer Jolicoeur intentionally provided the wrong information on how to get obtain cell phone video footage from the fight.

The conversation between Jose and Officer Jolicoeur is captured on BWC. In the video Officer Jolicoeur tells Jose and his wife that he cannot just give them the video right then. He goes on to explain that Abraham will get copies of everything from “discovery” during the maturation of his criminal case. Officer Jolicoeur did tell him they maybe able to obtain the video by coming to the Police Department and requesting it, but he was not sure about the process.

Officer Jolicoeur did provide correct information. The cell phone footage could be obtained during Discovery. However, from watching the BWC footage, it appeared that Officer Jolicoeur was not confident about how to obtain the video. He did not intentionally provide misleading information. This is more of a training issue rather than a policy violation.

Officer Jolicoeur did not file charges with the state or arrest [REDACTED] when he said he would.

When asked, Officer Jolicoeur said he did tell Jose he would file charges on [REDACTED] with the SAO at the conclusion of his investigation. Officer Jolicoeur said that was his “game plan” initially. However, as the investigation continued, he realized he did not have probable cause on [REDACTED]. Officer Jolicoeur said that he could have still filed the case but he was told by Sgt. Fernandez that SIU would be handling moving forward. Based on that and the fact that Jose did not want Officer Jolicoeur working the case any longer, he chose to not file with the state.

I find Officer Jolicoeur’s response reasonable. Officers/Detectives would normally not file charges with the state unless probable cause existed. The outcome of Officer Jolicoeur’s investigation was not relayed to Jose due to the poor communication between them.

The other 5 officers did not do a complete investigation.

The other 5 Officers were never asked by Officer Jolicoeur to complete any portion of this investigation. Officer Taylor was present for most of the investigation, but Officer Jolicoeur took the responsibility of documenting it in a police report. The 5 Officers had no obligation to author a supplement or do a separate investigation.

All the Officers were rude.

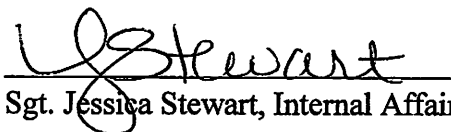
Jose did not provide me with a specific event when the Officers were rude. I did watch all the related BWC footage and the Officers were always polite and accommodating to Jose. None of the Officers were rude and did not violate policy.

Jose alleged his rights were violated because as a citizen, he has the right to receive help from Law Enforcement.

Jose was treated with respect in all his dealings with the Sunrise Police Department. Other than demanding the arrest of Dr. Cunningham, there have been no other requests made.

Based on the totality of the circumstances, and concerning all listed officers, this investigator finds all listed policy violations:

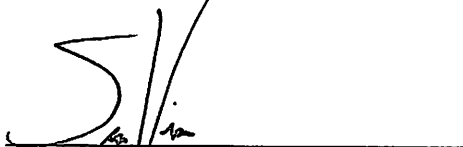
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10/17/22
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