



# Pembroke Pines Police Department



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## MEDIA RELEASE

**ASSIGNED PIO:** Amanda Conwell

**DATE OF MEDIA RELEASE:** October 29, 2019

**TIME OF MEDIA RELEASE:** 5:50 p.m.

**CASE NUMBER:** PPPD19OFF064375

**CHARGE/INCIDENT:** Solicitation; Sexual Battery Act by a Custodian, Victim Under 18 Years of Age; Cruelty Towards a Child; Obscene Communication with a Child

**DATE OF OCCURRENCE:** September 13, 2019 – October 11, 2019

**TIME OF OCCURRENCE:** [Click here to enter text.](#) p.m.

**PLACE OF OCCURRENCE:** 20801 Johnson Street, Pembroke Pines FL; Somerset Academy, Chapel Trail Campus

**SUSPECT(S) - NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:**

1) Leverick Ladarius Johnson; 26-years-old; DOB 09/23/1993; Black Male; 766 NW 59<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami FL 33127

**VICTIM(S) - NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:**

1) Juvenile Female

**INCIDENT SUMMARY:**

The suspect (Leverick Ladarius Johnson) is a teacher and junior varsity football coach at Somerset Academy Middle School - Chapel Trail Campus (20801 Johnson Street). Johnson began to take a special interest in a thirteen year old female student and asked her for her social media information and cell phone number. Between 09/13/19 and 10/11/19 Johnson communicated with the juvenile victim via text messages in an inappropriate manner.

During their text exchanges Johnson expressed to the juvenile victim that they must keep their relationship a secret, expressed that they should smoke marijuana together, requested photographs of the victim, and asked about her level of sexual experience. In addition, on 09/24/19 Johnson asked the victim to meet him at a staircase near his classroom where the



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CCTV would not reach, to perform fellatio on him. The victim advised that she did not engage in any sexual act with the suspect.

On 10/29/19, Leverick Ladarius Johnson spoke to detectives and signed a search release for his cell phone. As a result of an examination of the suspect's cell phone, the aforementioned text messages were recovered. The suspect was transported to BSO Main Jail without incident.

The Pembroke Pines Police Department is asking parents to be aware of whom their children are communicating with on their cell phones and social media. If you believe that your child may have had inappropriate contact with the suspect, please contact the Pembroke Pines Police Department at 954-431-2200.

We will provide additional information regarding this incident as it becomes available.



Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact the Pembroke Pines Police Department at 954-431-2200, email to [tips@ppines.com](mailto:tips@ppines.com), or call Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



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