

Police: East High student robbed at gunpoint

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(Photo: The Register)

A 15-year-old East High School student was robbed at gunpoint Friday evening on her way to a North High School football game, she and her mother told police.

The victim planned to ride to the football game with an acquaintance, according to a police report, but was robbed, beaten and dropped off back at her home on 41st Street in eastern Des Moines instead.

An unknown 18- to 20-year-old woman pulled an older grey Chevy Impala into the victim's driveway and the victim sat in the back seat next to two 18- to 20-year-old men. The victim's acquaintance was a female 18-year-old Lincoln High School student who sat in the car's passenger seat, according to the report.

As the car turned eastbound onto Easton Boulevard, one of the men, whose face was covered, demanded the victim's things, grabbed her backpack and started to punch her head, the report states.

She tried to fight back with punches, but the man then pulled out a gun and hit her on the head with it, threatening to shoot her.

Suspects then turned back toward the victim's house and dropped her off there. They kept her backpack, which had a pair of Air Jordan shoes and various lotions and perfumes in it.

The girl's mother reported the incident at 8:24 p.m. Friday.

The victim had a small cut on her left pinky finger and said her head was sore, but did not require medical attention.

A friend of the victim told the victim's mother that the same man had robbed in a similar manner before.

The case remains under investigation.

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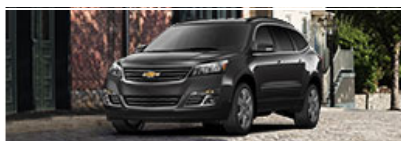
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