



Nassau County Sheriff's Office

Tommy Seagraves, Sheriff

PRESS RELEASE

Deputies with the Nassau County Sheriff's Office are committed to keeping drugs and tobacco products off of school grounds. They once again searched students' cars for drugs and tobacco products. They were in the parking lot at Hilliard Middle/Senior High School on December 17, 2009.

One hundred vehicles were in the parking lot. K-9 units sniffed around 40 vehicles for drugs. They did not alert on any illegal substances. Deputies looked for tobacco products that were in plain view. Cigarettes and other tobacco products were visible in ten vehicles.

Deputies issued civil citations to two students, under the age of 18, for possessing cigarettes. The students will have to make a mandatory court appearance with a parent, pay a \$40 fine and take a one week tobacco awareness course.

Sheriff Tommy Seagraves authorized the search after receiving complaints from residents about drug and tobacco use in school parking lots. Deputies will periodically conduct searches at Hilliard Middle/Senior High School as well as other high schools in Nassau County throughout the school year.

Deputies conducted a search at Yulee High School last month. Three students were given citations for possessing tobacco products.

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