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PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

****CRIME ALERT****

[Lancaster, Ohio, October 24, 2012] Sheriff Dave Phalen advises that on October 22, 2012, Deputies from his office were dispatched to the Goddard School located at 12916 Stonecreek Drive, Pickerington, on reports of theft from vehicles. The victims reported to deputies that they were at the daycare to drop their children off for the day. Upon returning to their vehicles the victims discovered the vehicle windows had been knocked out and their purses were missing. A similar incident occurred at the Kindercare daycare located at 12910 Stonecreek Drive; Pickerington on October 19, 2012. This incident involved a different suspect and suspect vehicle. No video is available for the Kindercare incident.

Video surveillance from the Goddard school shows a black male in a hooded dark sweatshirt exiting a vehicle, parked next to the victim vehicles, breaking out the victim's vehicle windows and removing the purses. Anyone who can identify the suspects in this video is encouraged to contact the Sheriff's Office with the information.

<http://ostekweb.com/video/default.html>

To view the Surveillance video follow the above link. Right click and "save target as" to download to your computer.

Sheriff Phalen would like to remind residents to secure their personal belongings out of site in their vehicles and to never leave them running unattended.

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