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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (December 18, 2014) Suffolk Police advise that an updated description of the suspect has been provided through a further interview with a witness.

The subject is described as a black male, tall, 5'11" to 6', 30 to 40 years of age, no facial hair, with skinny arms but maybe having a slight stomach or as being chubby. The subject was reportedly wearing a black knit hat, black zip-up sweatshirt with a hoody (similar in appearance to the included photo), black pants, and blue sneakers.

The incident remains under investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Line at 1-888-Lock-U-Up. When calling Crime Line, callers do not have to give their names or appear in court. Citizens can also utilize TipSoft to anonymously submit crime-related tips through the Web, a text message, or from any Android or iPhone mobile device with the [TipSubmit mobile app](#). Tips can be submitted by visiting www.suffolkva.us/crimelinetips, or by texting the word "**CRIMES**" (274637) with the keyword **SPDVATIP**. TipSoft also supports users' ability to submit videos or photos using the TipSoft mobile app. If information leads to an arrest, the caller or "tipster" could qualify for a reward of up to \$1,000.

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SUFFOLK, VA (December 12, 2014) Suffolk Police advise that the child is a male kindergarten student, age 4.

No further details are available at this time.

POLICE INVESTIGATING ATTEMPTED CHILD ABDUCTION

SUFFOLK, VA (December 12, 2014) Suffolk Police are investigating an attempted child abduction that occurred this morning in the 300 block of North Broad Street in downtown Suffolk.

Emergency Communications received the call at 8:35 a.m. after a student advised the bus driver of what they observed outside of the bus. The bus driver then immediately contacted Suffolk Public School Officials and the Suffolk Police Department.

Police officers immediately responded to the area of North Broad Street and Third Avenue and spoke with the child and witnesses who indicated that the child was waiting for the Elephants Fork Elementary school bus when an unknown black male subject approached and grabbed the child. The unknown male subject released the child unharmed and left the area on foot. The subject was further described as a black male, 5'11 to 6'00 tall, thin to medium build and wearing a black hooded sweat jacket.

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The investigation is ongoing.

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